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INTENSIVE HOME VISITATION DURING THE PANDEMIC

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Home visit is proven effective in strengthening the academic performance of a student. Hence, while home visits have a positive effect on children's academic performance, they also have a positive effect on the relationship between teachers and their students. Demonstrate that home visits and family interaction benefit students' academic performance and attitudes toward school. Despite the fact that the study's findings are applicable to all aspects of education, teachers can use them in the classroom to help their students improve their academic performance.

Having a healthy relationship with parents and teachers will greatly boost the motivation of the students to learn more, thus, generating to a greater opportunity that awaits the students. Further, students who have more guidance at home and school are more likely to develop a positive mindset and attitude. Additionally, home visits can help the students in dealing with their personal problems. There are some issues that students deal with in class, but are afraid of to talk about due to shyness or discomfort. Thus, home visits will not just secure an organized way of monitoring the students, but will also help the teachers and parents in pin-pointing the challenges that the students encounter. This will further aid them in executing best practices to further hone the skills and performance of the child.

While broadband resources have been targeted at families of K-12 students in order to enable distance learning, the demand for internet connectivity among families with young children has been largely ignored. Over 1,300 home visiting programs were evaluated by COVID-19, and it was discovered that more than half of the families lacked



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access to the internet or a device capable of performing a virtual visit. Consequently, home visiting program detailed the difficulties they faced at the end of each month when their government-issued phones ran out of minutes. It is essential to close the digital divide in order to address structural inequalities. In the aftermath of a pandemic, technology must be embraced not only as a crisis management tool, but also as a supplement to in-person assistance during times of illness.

As a result of connecting families to programs, services, and resources, home visiting has historically been a vital component of serving the needs of young children. Home visits, which are typically conducted by nurses, social workers, or community health professionals who are paid by the local, state, or federal governments, foster the development of connections that push forward parenting concerns. Due to the pandemic, the need for home visitation, as well as the ability to pivot to cater to online consultation home visits, has become more crucial, since families face new expanded issues such as domestic abuse, substance or mental health issues, all of which has increased during times of crisis.

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