

SCOUTING IN EDUCATION

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The Covid-19 pandemic halts the extra-curricular activities of the students wherein they are given the opportunities to develop their leadership skills, socialization and even life skills. One of those activities is scouting. During these trying times where calamities are rampant and survival skills are a necessity. This is an important activity that hones not just survival skills but also develop the resiliency of a student.

Scouting helps develop the academic skills, self-confidence, ethics, leadership skills, and citizenship skills that influence their adult lives. This goes beyond and encourages youth to achieve a deeper appreciation for service to other in their community. Scouting also provides youth with a sense that they are important as individuals. It also promotes activities that may lead to personal responsibility, high self-esteem resist pressure from peers, and make right decisions.

In addition, the scout movement supports the young people holistically that may play a constructive role in the society. Guided by the scout methods, promise and law this instill character, personal fitness, and citizenship to the students. They learn to love and appreciate the great outdoors which makes them even more connected with nature. The activities also involve are also beneficial such as woodcraft, outdoor camping, first aid, aquatics, hiking, sports and backpacking are some these. (Wales 2016)

In the new normal education set up. Students must be exposed on such crucial activity wherein they will engage their selves and have the sense of initiative to help our government or community to address the different challenges. Filipinos are known for the bayanihan spirit and this is one of the mandates of the Department of Education.

Educators as well can help promote this movement by involving their selves in trainings and organize outfits or even a community-based rover circle to encourage modern learners that there is more fun learning experience outside of their houses. This is what our nation needs now, a movement that may be do little kindness but can have a ripple effect towards not just our students but also on their parents, friends and other community members.

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