

## HOW THE PANDEMIC AFFECTED STUDENTS' EDUCATION

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The practice has shown that humanity isn't ready for global cataclysms. While we are considered to be the best species, we wander away facing some global problems. The COVID-19 pandemic has affected all the possible life spheres and we may hardly bump into someone who has managed to remain off from it. Well, maybe people who had been working remotely before the start of the pandemic faced fewer issues than office workers. However, students and learners who have been learning from a free environment had faced several issues.

Youngsters experienced a large range of changes in their lives since most academic institutions were forced to do online and interact with their students at a distance. Social distancing has become a top priority. Today, it seems the planet gets back slowly heading in the right direction again thriving in what we called new normal education. Children have an opportunity to begin attending their schools from a brand-new semester and study in groups. Nonetheless, all the changes that have happened to student education now will hardly stay unnoticed. When it involves student's education and also the pandemic influence, it's worth starting with the most aspect.

School closures hurt the psychological state and well-being of students. Some children have started plagued by anxiety issues and even got depressed. They've developed uncertainty about their academic performance and their opportunities to continue education and find an honest job after the pandemic.

When schools went online, a stable internet connection became a top priority. However, campus and dorm closures have created an enormous gap between youngsters who have

internet access and required devices. Thirty-five percent of students cannot afford laptops, they tend to skip online classes and video conferences because most smartphones don't deal with these tasks. Many children had a part-time job while studying, in order for them to continue studying, they have to give up their part time jobs so that they can attend their online classes and vice versa. International students faced even more issues since they'd to depart the country and meet all the challenges alone.

Most of the affected among the learners are the ones belong to the Key Stage 1 which includes the learners from kindergarten to Grade 3. These are the stages where learners begin to read and count. Unfortunately, the pandemic created more problems to even more existing problems during pre-pandemic. Internal and External stakeholders are expected to work together towards the recovery of these learnings and bridge the learning gaps.

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