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WHY ONLINE LEARNING SHOULD NOT BE ABOLISHED POST-PANDEMIC

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The COVID-19 pandemic has had a significant impact on education systems around the world, including in the Philippines. Many schools have had to shift to online learning in order to continue providing education to students while physical classrooms have been closed. While online learning has not been without its challenges, it has also proven to be a valuable tool for keeping students engaged and learning during this difficult time.

One reason why online learning should not be abolished in the post-pandemic Philippines is that it offers a flexible and convenient option for students. With online courses, students can access course materials and complete assignments at their own pace, as long as they meet the deadlines set by the instructor. This is especially beneficial for students who may have other commitments, such as work or family responsibilities, that make it difficult for them to attend traditional in-person classes.

Another reason is that online learning allows students to access education from anywhere with an internet connection. This is especially important for students who live in remote areas or who have mobility issues, as it eliminates the need for them to travel long distances to attend classes.

Online learning is also a much more cost-effective option for many students. Many online programs are less expensive than traditional in-person programs, as they do not require students to pay for transportation, housing, or other expenses associated with attending a physical campus.



While online learning is not a perfect solution, it is an important option that should not be discarded in the post-pandemic Philippines. It has the potential to provide students with access to education that may not have been available to them otherwise, and it offers a flexible and convenient way for students to continue learning even when physical classrooms are not an option.

It is important to note, however, that online learning should not be the only option available to students. It is important for schools to offer a mix of online and in-person learning options in order to meet the needs of all students. By providing a range of learning options, schools can ensure that every student has the opportunity to succeed, regardless of their learning style or circumstances.

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