

PANDEMIC HAS CHANGED THE EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM

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Pimentel (2020) explained that COVID-19 pandemic has changed the world. The virus has affected human relationships, lives, and economic, political, and cultural landscapes of societies all over the world because of its nature, particularly how it spreads. Additionally, it has made poverty, prejudice, and inequality worse in many parts of the world. Worldwide, Covid-19 forced the closure of schools. Due to a complete lockdown, Filipino students are unable to attend class. As a result, there has been a substantial revolution in education. Public schools preferred modular and blended learning, while some private institutions embraced e-learning, which involves teaching students remotely and using digital tools.

Some are wondering if online learning will continue after the pandemic and its impact on the Philippine's educational system considering we are in a third-class country given this unexpected shift away from the classroom in many regions of the country. Numerous studies have demonstrated that online learning improves memory, but there are various difficulties that may arise, including a lack of technology and an unstable internet connection.

When we talk about online education, the financial situation of the kids played a significant role. There is a considerable divide between students from rich and underprivileged backgrounds in terms of their ability to participate in digital learning; some students without dependable internet access and/or technology struggle to do so. Some students from rich households claimed to have a device to use for schoolwork whereas those from underprivileged homes did not.

Gupta (2022) pointed that online study refers to the process of gaining knowledge via the internet. It is really the convenient way of studying, saves your precious time and money, can study online from any corner of the world, variety of courses are available while studying online but in an online study a good study environment is missing, subjects that involve practical knowledge cannot be easily understood in online studies, Sitting in front of electronic gadgets for a long time causes health hazards, online study lacks physical interaction between students and teachers and it is for those students who can generate self-discipline. For individuals who do have access to the appropriate technology, online learning is reported to be beneficial. This is supported by evidence in several different areas. The main reason for this is that students can learn material online more quickly than they can in a traditional classroom setting because they can go back and review material, skip material, or move more quickly through concepts at their own pace. This is in contrast to face-to-face learning, where teachers must follow a set of steps in order to successfully deliver an instruction. On the other hand, different age groups experience online learning differently. The general consensus regarding children, especially younger ones, is that a structured environment is necessary because children are more easily distracted while in face-to-face classes, teachers are the ones motivating the children with the help of the instructional materials and teachers themselves. A determined effort must be made to offer this structure and go beyond simply recreating a physical class or lecture using video capabilities in order to reap the full benefits of online learning. Efficient and effective teachers are the most important factors contributing to the success of an educative process that is why online, modular or even blended learning cannot be considered as effective as face to face because no one can replace skilled teachers.

Education should continue whatever the situation is. What has been made clear through this pandemic is the importance of disseminating knowledge in any way possible. If online learning plays a big help to have quality learning and instruction, why not give it a try and explore its full potential. But what is important in teaching-learning

processes is how we are going to impart knowledge to the learners considering their nature of learning and their capabilities in all aspects.

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