

TIPS ON LOW-COST TECHNOLOGIES TEACHERS CAN USE TO ENHANCE STUDENT ENGAGEMENT

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There might be a perspective that technology adoption for schools would be expensive. Nowadays, there are low-cost or free technologies that can be readily applied in the classroom instruction.

First, Canva is here to assist teachers in preparing presentation, info graphics, bulletin designs, report formats, certificates and video lessons.

There is a free version or subscription-free, although there is a premium one which needs a subscription to access other materials on the platforms. If you are a beginner user, the free version would be enough for you as a starter.

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Second, Smart Cast is a useful accessory to project lessons. If your classroom has existing LED TV, you just have to connect the Smart Cast tool to the HDMI port while the other end is connected to a laptop. It can even work with a smart phone and ipad or any compatible tablet device.

Some teachers at Nagwaling Elementary School discovered the use of smart cast through social media. Feedback from them showed that this tool has been very effective in assisting them deliver their lessons.

This setup minimizes the need for costly projectors while giving students a clearer view of lessons and presentations.

By using Smart Cast, teachers can display instructional materials such as slide presentations, games, and other interactive activities that make the lessons more engaging.

These tools show that innovation in education can be cost-efficient. Teachers need to familiarize themselves with these kinds of technologies to facilitate a better learning environment for the learners.

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