CONVERTING CLASSROOM INTO GLOBAL VILLAGE

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The rapid explosion of technology in the last decade influences every face of life. Technology is rising very swiftly that no one can ever control. People’s activity becomes dependent on technology. According to McLuhan as mentioned in the article of Karadkar (2015) “The new electronic interdependence recreates the world in the image of a global village. It makes people live in a world where technology and Internet connection always involved. The thing about being a global village is the presence of technologies that will help people to do well their duties. In the field of education, technology is very useful. A simple classroom can turn into a global village.

With the insertion of television set makes classroom attractive to students. This technology is very useful in the discussion. It helps teachers to present lessons in an organized manner, so that learners have no chances of taking away their attention. It gives students a clear view of what the teacher is presenting. Teachers can also use this technology to allow students watching movies related to the lessons in Araling Panlipunan (AP), Filipino, and English subjects. Both students and teachers can feel ease and comfort in the process of learning new knowledge because of this device.

Another way of making classroom as global village is by incorporating a widescreen LCD (Liquid Crystal Display) projector in presenting topics. This invention is not only helpful in classroom discussions, but also in presenting ideas in a large number of students. Teachers can effortlessly present the lessons without writing on the board. It presents ideas in large text that can easily see by the students even if they are at the back portion of the classroom.
Audio-visual devices like microphones, ear phones, recorders, and speakers are tools helpful in interactive learning. These materials can be used to improve students’ speaking ability, widen students’ knowledge on language and as a whole these inventions develop students’ communication skills if properly manipulated.

Laptop and desktop computers are two technologies that are also needed in a global village. Students must be exposed to such inventions, because today’s information is mostly beyond printed documents. Students should know how to use computers, because programs and applications are installed within which can be used to learn new ideas and concepts.

Today’s students learn if their teachers are using interactive learning or two-way electronic communication system like computer. They are motivated to attend classes if they are engaging in technology. Thereby, teachers should know how to transform an ordinary four corners of the room into a global village, because it spells the difference in the teaching and learning process. Teachers must also establish themselves as one of the technologies inside the classroom.

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