Creating Strategic Plans in Education

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STRATEGIC planning must be designed to educate and develop the young people to the highest possible standards, providing equality of access to all. All stakeholders in the education sector must work together as partners in education and youth services to ensure a high standard of education for all children and young people, which will put them at the centre of education, motivate them, build their confidence and enrich their lives, and provide the foundation for a strong and vibrant economy.

Creating strategic plans are also necessary in education to become effective. An important strategic plan in education is setting performance management systems and key performance indicators relevant to teaching strategies.

Experts believe that strategic planning is necessary to improve the condition of education in the society. By way of planning, people become aware of the value of education. The educational development of each individual lies obviously in the quality of education imparted on him. In this manner, it's very critical that strategic plans are made so that education serves its real purpose.

Strategic planning must also include evaluating the effectiveness of teaching and learning processes. As experts have been saying, the true function of education in a democratic country is to foster growth in the direction of freedom, tolerance, cooperative living, and to develop among people mutual recognition of the welfare of one another.

Part of effective strategic planning in education is to fully understand the psychological aspect. Children need to spend time with family and friends. However, the definition of “friends” is somehow obscured in the child’s vocabulary. Much engrossed in computer and gadget games, students come to school tired, with a very short span of attention to lessons and even detached from the real classroom environment.

The increasing understanding of the gains of education, the demand for education relevance and responsiveness to changing societal needs and the alarming rate of increase in the country’s population have contributed to the problem of providing education for all, a problem which becomes more serious each year. But in the end, education remains the most important tool for any individual to survive and succeed in life. Creating strategic plans is a must in order for the education system to become effective and efficient.

Reflection:

As an educator being the nearest channel to the learners, I should be the one to lead a wide latitude of understanding, to the diversity of our Filipino learners today in our community.

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