DIFFERENT LEARNING DELIVERY MODALITIES IN THE NEW NORMAL

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We all do have our own learning strategies and techniques in studying. Now that we are facing the new normal due to the current events happening in our country specifically the pandemic of COVID-19. Those strategies will be served as our only way to learn without going to school.

What is learning? It is the process of acquiring new understanding, knowledge, behaviors, skills, values, attitudes, and preferences. According to an American writer Alvin Toffler, ‘The illiterate of the 21st century will not be those who cannot read and write, but those who cannot learn, unlearn, and relearn.’

As the school year for 2020-2021 starts to open this August 24, schools all over the Philippines starts to showcased various preparations to guide and help our teachers, parents and learners understand the basic education in the new normal.

In order to give a deeper understanding of these preparations and new procedures the Department of Education (DepEd) conduct a virtual launch entitled ‘Handang Isip, Handa Bukas’ which featured schools’ localized implementation of the Basic Education-Learning Continuity Plan.

The Department of Education conduct survey through the assistance of our teachers to help our parents and learners find what kind of learning modes are suitable for them. The parents fill out the learner’s enrollment and survey form so they can assess better options.
There are four alternative delivery modes that can be use in studying now that we are in new normal. These are the following:

- **Face to face learning** - is an instructional method where course content and learning material are taught in person to a group of students. This allows for a live interaction between a learner and an instructor. It is the most traditional type of learning instruction.

- **Distance learning** - a method of study where teachers and students do not meet in a classroom but use the Internet, e-mail, mail to have classes. There are three types of distance learning.
  - **Online distance learning** - it is a method of learning that requires the use of laptop or computer and a stable internet connection. It has two types the Synchronous and Asynchronus learning.
    - Synchronus - there is a specific time of learning and studying.
    - Asynchronus - students are free to choose their schedule of learning and studying but it must fit in the time frame given by the educator.
  - **Modular learning** - learning with the use of modules distributed by the schools through the form of printed or electronic materials.
  - **Radio/TV Broadcast learning** - learning with the use of television and radio wherein the Department of Education will provide channels and frequency where the students can watch or listen to their lessons.

- **Blended learning** - it is a mixed of distance and face to face learning. Due to slow internet connection this type of modality can be used.
• Home schooling – a method of learning where your parents will serve as your teacher.

Despite the increase in the number of people infected by the virus in our country. The Department of Education still find various ways on how to continue this school year without sacrificing the learning of the students. Through the collective efforts of the government’s different agencies, Educators and parents. Our learner’s knowledge will not be limited in the four corners of the classroom.

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