Educational Technology and its Significance
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Technologies have entered classrooms and schools worldwide as link to new knowledge, resources and high order thinking skills. Computers, online services, the World Wide Web and other innovative technologies have enriched the way the students learn and altered the types of teaching available in the classroom. Schools’ access to technology is increasing steadily every day and most of these newer technologies are now even used in traditional classrooms.

Despite the various opportunities mentioned, still, many teachers feel unprepared to teach using technology for a global application in the classrooms. However, many resources are available to them, and what is needed is a small effort to make classroom activities of great significance. For example, television, newspaper, DVDs can all bring the world into the classroom. Integration of the latest news and issues in teaching different subjects will make the students aware that there are concerns worldwide that are similar to what they know in their immediate environment.

Normal (2016) cited that the future of the educational system is practically determined by the development of technology. Some educators and experts are against the trends of implementing EdTech tools and apps in every single aspect of the schooling system, mainly because technology is a source of distraction for students. However, proper technology integration guides students towards greater understanding of all concepts covered in class.

Since the Department of Education (DepEd) is up for Computerization Program, teachers should try their best to be globally competitive. The fear of using the new gadgets in teaching should never be felt. With the help of the ICT coordinator and other teacher-experts in computer manipulation, whatever subject you are teaching, technology is right just a click away. Learning modules, online videos, downloadable PowerPoint presentations, movie clips, name it! By using the computer and the internet, learning will most likely be more productive.

This doesn’t mean that the tried and tested ways of teaching will be neglected. This implies that aside from those effective ones, a teacher may widen her horizon and improve the way she facilitates learning by using what DepEd has to offer.
With the diversity of learners, breakthroughs in technology and multiple teacher perspectives, an innovative teaching is one of the answers to the global demands for quality education.

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