EMBEDDING INTRINSIC KNOWLEDGE THROUGH HANDS-ON ACTIVITIES

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In each classroom, no student is alike. Each of them varies in their cognitive capabilities, skills, and behavior. These learners even establish learning in their own ways. They can learn by reading, writing, memorizing, and even through mere listening. Thus, learning by doing is considered as one of the most substantial way of acquiring knowledge. That is the reason why the new curriculum in the country highlighted different school activities that cultivates students’ skills especially in senior high school.

The scope of subjects under the new curriculum definitely differ from each other. But these subjects are similar in a certain function- these are meant to provide students experiences that they can add on their schema. The subjects that they are mastering aims to give them the opportunity to decide innovatively on their own, boost their self-esteem, and showcase their creativity and talents. Unlike the traditional way of learning that is more on reading books and lectures, the education today involves students through collaborative activities.

In today’s education, our system believes that learning is beyond memorizations and written examinations so teachers were advised to conduct a performance check after every main topics to let the learner experience the lesson and not just to know the theories and concepts. In senior high school, the acquiring of knowledge will come on its end and will be evaluated through Work Immersions where they can practice what they learned throughout their senior high school studies.

‘For the students to be globally competitive’, this was the goal of the newly implemented curriculum in our country. It doesn’t only aim the Filipino learners to be
academically intelligent but to also become kinesthetically capable of different skills. We cannot deny the statement of Albert Bandura that “Students learn from observation”. But based on various proofs and studies, we really cannot agree more with John Dewey’s ‘Learning by Doing’.

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