HOW CAN TECHNOLOGY HELP IN THE CLASSROOM?

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What is technology? How important is technology in education? What are its advantages and disadvantages?

Technology is a blessing for mankind. With technology, there is a lot that we can do now which we could not do then. Some of us think that technology refers only to machines such as computers, television, videos, mobiles and other gadgets, but it is not just about machines. Technology refers to all the ways people use their inventions and discoveries for the fulfillment and satisfaction of their needs and desires.

In education, technology has been a very useful tool in stimulating and motivating students. Through the internet, information about anything can be easily accessed, everything is just a click away. However, when not used properly, technology can be a hindrance to child’s learning and development. Parents and teachers must understand the benefits and responsibilities of using technology in the classroom.

There are instances wherein some students feel bored about the traditional way of teaching that often uses books, paper and pen. Through technology, new technological devices and means are being used to motivate the students and sustain their attention. New gadgets and applications like E-books and other interesting learning tools help students to complete their tasks. By motivating the students to use technology, teachers are able to help them learn vital skills in promoting and developing students’ learning.

Technology used in the classroom is able to help students who have special needs to keep up with their peers. Through this wide range of applications, students are
able to keep up with the activities and lectures in class; helping students who have special needs of any type.

By striving to learn the use of a new technological device, students are able to improve and develop their communication skills as they learn how to work together and do collaborative works. Exchange of ideas and conducting group discussions about new technology help the students improve their ability to work out problems even without the help of adults.

Technology is a helpful tool that can be used by all especially in teaching-learning environment. By doing so, students will enjoy the benefits that a technology if it is properly used, making them increase their self-confidence and leading them to their success in the future.

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