HOW TUTORING CAN HELP SCHOOL CHILDREN IN ISOLATION

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The quarantine period during this pandemic has hugely affected learners. There was a study in an England university where professors observed some students who were on vacation from school, which they coined as self-isolation, to have challenges going back to school. Actually, we have observed this too where we are back from Christmas and summer break. Somehow, there is a lull on the first day of first few days of schooling when children come back.

With the quarantine that went for months, the same dilemma has been faced by the students. What is more challenging is that they did not come back to the classroom, instead were to do their schooling at home. The self-isolation fatigue coupled with the stress of the new modality may just be too much for their young minds. This is most true to those who came from the low-income group.

Identified challenges would include means on how to help the children who might be suffering from the said fatigue. Not all children can cope or keep up with the demands of the new normal and have fallen behind school work during lockdown. As mentioned, those who are from the low-income group may suffer the most. The support of the school, teachers, and local government units can do some work up for these mostly affected students.

One proposal would be free online tutoring. LGUs can help fund this program. If online is not feasible to some areas, face to face tutoring can be offered while strictly observing health protocols and safety. This can greatly help parent who have difficulty teaching their children themselves due to lack of knowledge and skills. This can also help
the student since the presence of “teacher” figure might improve their disposition in learning even while in isolation.

COVID 19 has indeed done big damage in the school children’s prospective in the academe which poses a great impact on their future. While many options are being tried by teachers to help them cope, these are not silver bullets that can ensure success for them, but can definitely help, one way or another. Tutoring scheme is needed to help children take part in lessons every day and might improve their work-up.

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