

INCREASING EDUCATION GAP DUE TO DISPARITY IN ACCESS TO TECHNOLOGY

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Abstract

Disparities in access to technology and the gap to education are critical issues that span communities around the world, especially among low-income groups and in remote areas. The research method used was a literature review. The results show that limited access to technology in education results in low academic achievement and students' lack of readiness to face work demands in the digital era. Furthermore, students from low-income families and remote areas are most affected, with a greater likelihood of falling behind in digital literacy and independent learning skills.

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Introduction

Education is one of the most promising future investments for every nation. With education, humans are taught to think critically, collaborate, and innovate to solve current and future challenges. Education not only develops intellectual knowledge, but also shapes human character for the better. As a vehicle to develop the potential of each individual, education also fosters a spirit of independence and social care in the community.

Education has a vital role in improving the welfare of mankind. In addition to empowering the potential of the nation's human resources, education is also able to encourage economic progress and social justice in a sustainable manner. (Sitopu et al., 2024); (Guna et al., 2024). Through education, people are equipped with skills to

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