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EDUCATION TECH TRENDS

The six use cases of AI in classrooms that will change education in 2024

Generative AI tools are reshaping education. The new AI tools will facilitate innovative, flexible and personalized training, but there are associated risks. Here are top AI use cases in education:

Multilingual Avatars: AI avatars break language barriers, offering personalized global education using tools like HeyGen and Synthesia.

Course Preparation Tools: Tools like ChatGPT aid educators in course planning, information search, and proposing methodologies, streamlining the educational process.

APIs for Education Services: Start-ups develop AI-focused APIs, automating content creation, student assessment, and class management, democratizing assisted learning.

AI Integration in Art Courses: AI becomes a creative tool in art courses, assisting in producing innovative works, expanding creative possibilities.

Personalized Learning Experiences: AI-driven adaptive learning tailors education to individual student needs, optimizing materials and experiences.

Efficiency in Learning Resource Creation: AI aids in creating learning resources, reducing outsourcing costs and time using tools like SlidesAI and Tome.

Experts caution against ethical risks, emphasizing responsible use and equitable access to prevent potential downsides such as algorithm biases and data security risks.

ChatGPT: How is AI Transforming Education?

Initially met with concerns, schools now see ChatGPT's potential to revolutionize learning.

Shifting Perspective: Risks vs RewardsThe conversation moved from banning AI to safely using it. Educators stress equipping students with skills for future jobs.

Classroom Impact: Finding BalanceSchools globally balance AI's use to prevent cheating and empower students. Examples include Cottesmore School appointing an AI headteacher.

Learning Models: Flipped ClassroomAI influences teaching with the 'flipped classroom' approach. Schools are using ChatGPT for in-depth research, fostering critical thinking.

Teacher Benefits: Efficiency GainsChatGPT streamlines administrative tasks, letting teachers focus on interactions and personalized feedback, enhancing the educational experience.

Addressing Concerns: Cheating and Plagiarism

Educators train students on responsible AI use, maintaining academic integrity. AI is seen as a powerful learning tool when used responsibly.

Future Outlook: Embracing AI

Recognized as a future tool, AI integrates into education, preparing students for emerging careers and challenges in the workplace.

SAT Goes Digital: Pencil and Paper Era Ends

Starting Dec. 2, the SAT will be exclusively digital via the Bluebook app. The College Board cites positive feedback from a pilot program, emphasizing reduced stress. Administered in official centers, the adaptive digital test is an hour shorter. Students can use personal devices, with the app accommodating power or internet issues. Critics fear a shorter test may impact fairness and fail to address historic performance gaps. Despite a growing test-optional trend, the College Board stands by the SAT's utility, aligning with its mission since 1900.

INDIA AND EDUCATION

IB Witnesses 31% Surge in Authorized Schools in India; Expanding Accessibility

IB reported a 31% growth in authorized IB World Schools in India from 2019-2023, totaling 226 schools. Despite concentration in metros, efforts, such as the Delhi Board of Secondary Education's collaboration, aim to make IB programs accessible nationwide. The IB emphasizes collaboration with Indian institutions to provide globally-oriented education. As India's educational landscape evolves, IB anticipates extending its framework to a more diverse student population.

Why is India Emerging as New Hub for International Schools, challenging China's status

Factors like regulatory changes in China, educational reforms in India (NEP 2020), and a welcoming attitude toward British education contribute to this shift. The demand for British education in India aligns with the country's growing economy and a burgeoning middle class willing to invest in quality education. Move to India and its appeal, emphasizes the need for a balanced approach to local and international teachers.

Why Indian parents embrace international school boards

Indian parents are increasingly turning to international school boards like IB and CAIE for a more holistic and application-focused education. These boards emphasize creativity, critical thinking, and interdisciplinary learning, providing a unique curriculum that prepares students for the global stage. Application-oriented assessments, recognition from global institutions, and the focus on essential life skills address the shortcomings of the traditional education system. The shift signifies a positive move towards a learner-centric approach, nurturing well-rounded individuals for the future.

SCHOOLS IN SPOTLIGHT

Don't teach me what to think. Teach me how to think

THINK Global School is world's first traveling High School where students learn at National Parks, Science Labs, Tribal Villages, City Streets, Temples and shrines and many more. At this school education is a dynamic global experience. With a 4:1 student/faculty ratio, project-based learning, and a 360° approach, students thrive. Their rigorous project-based learning curriculum is based on the most effective educational models from around the world.

PowerSchool partners with AMISA to introduce advanced EduTech to 100+ International Schools in LatAm

The partnership with AMISA will expand PowerSchool's channel partner program and deliver PowerSchool Schoology Learning, PowerSchool SIS, PowerSchool Enrollment, PowerSchool Ecollect Forms, and PowerSchool Naviance CCLR to education institutions in Latin America. PowerSchool is looking to provide the benefits of cloud-based integrated education technology to the





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