Maximizing the Digital Space for Research Communication

Insights from EDCOM 2



Our agenda

Why communicate your research?

Who is your research for? What is your goal? The value of communicating science and research.

How do we maximize the digital space?

Leveraging platforms, telling compelling stories, using humor to our advantage, and other nifty stuff.

Who am I?







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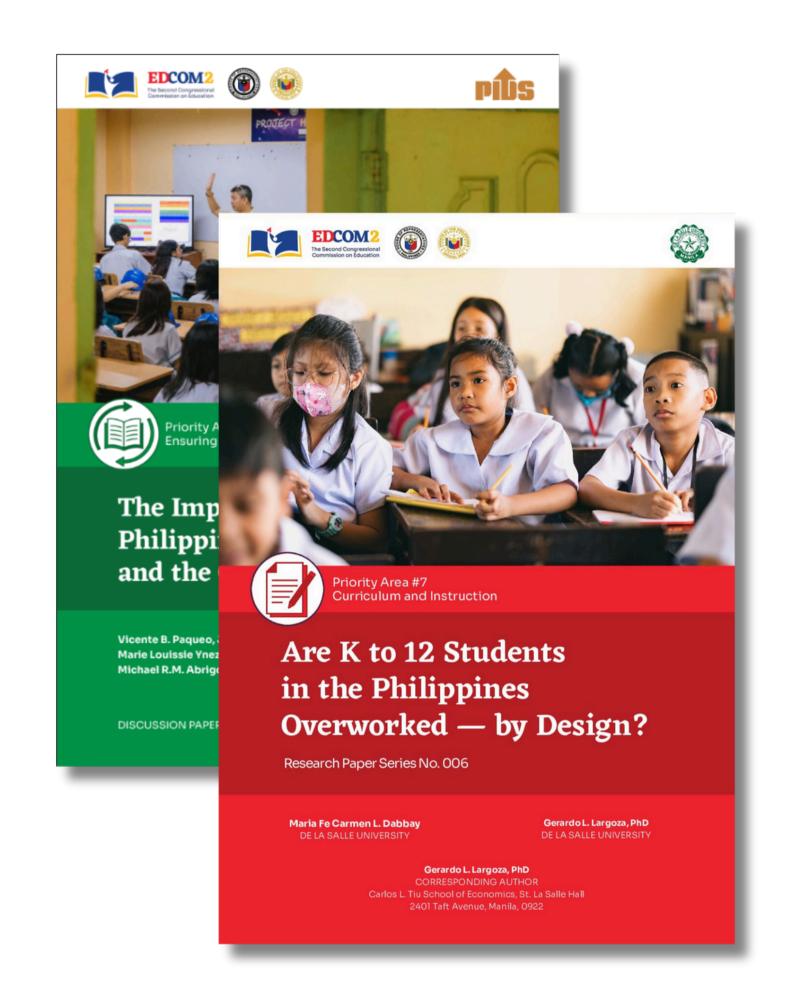
A Philippine commission tasked to undertake a **comprehensive** national **assessment** of the country's **education sector**.



Research communication plays a big role in my work

100+ publications

In partnership with institutions such as PIDS, De La Salle University, UPPEJA, IDInsight, and others.



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Who is your research for?







Lay people

Policymakers Researchers

What is your goal?



Policymakers

To make informed decisions in government



Researchers

To help us understand social behavior



Lay people

To help uplift social welfare

Scientific knowledge has a positive social impact.

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Access to education and scientific knowledge is associated with better health, the empowerment of citizens, and active participation in public affairs, fostering a more engaged citizenry and improving employability.

Rudolph J. L., Horibe S. (2016). What do we mean by science education for civic engagement? Journal of Research in Science Teaching, 53, 6805–6820.

Silk K. J., Nazione S., Neuberger L., Smith S., Atkin C. (2012). Investigating the impact of message format, involvement, scientific literacy, and education on attitude toward reducing cancer risk through regulation. Journal of Cancer Education, 27(1), 172–178.

Buslón, N., Gairal, R., León, S., Padrós, M., & Reale, E. (2020). The Scientific Self-Literacy of Ordinary People: Scientific Dialogic Gatherings. Qualitative Inquiry, 26(8-9), 977-982.

We used to think of the gap between developed and less-developed countries to be an object gap—the lack of capital. And we now realize that is one of the factors, but there's another factor that's very, very important, which is the gap in knowledge. And closing that gap is one of the most important strategies for development.

— Joseph Stiglitz



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Financial Sustainability of Higher Education Institutions in the Philippines: Issues, Challenges, an...

Higher education institutions (HEIs) and the quality of the educational products and services they deliver play a critical role in supporting international development goals and Filipinos' national aspirations. However, achieving quality in ter...

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Cordillera Regional Economic Situationer (2024 2nd Quarter)

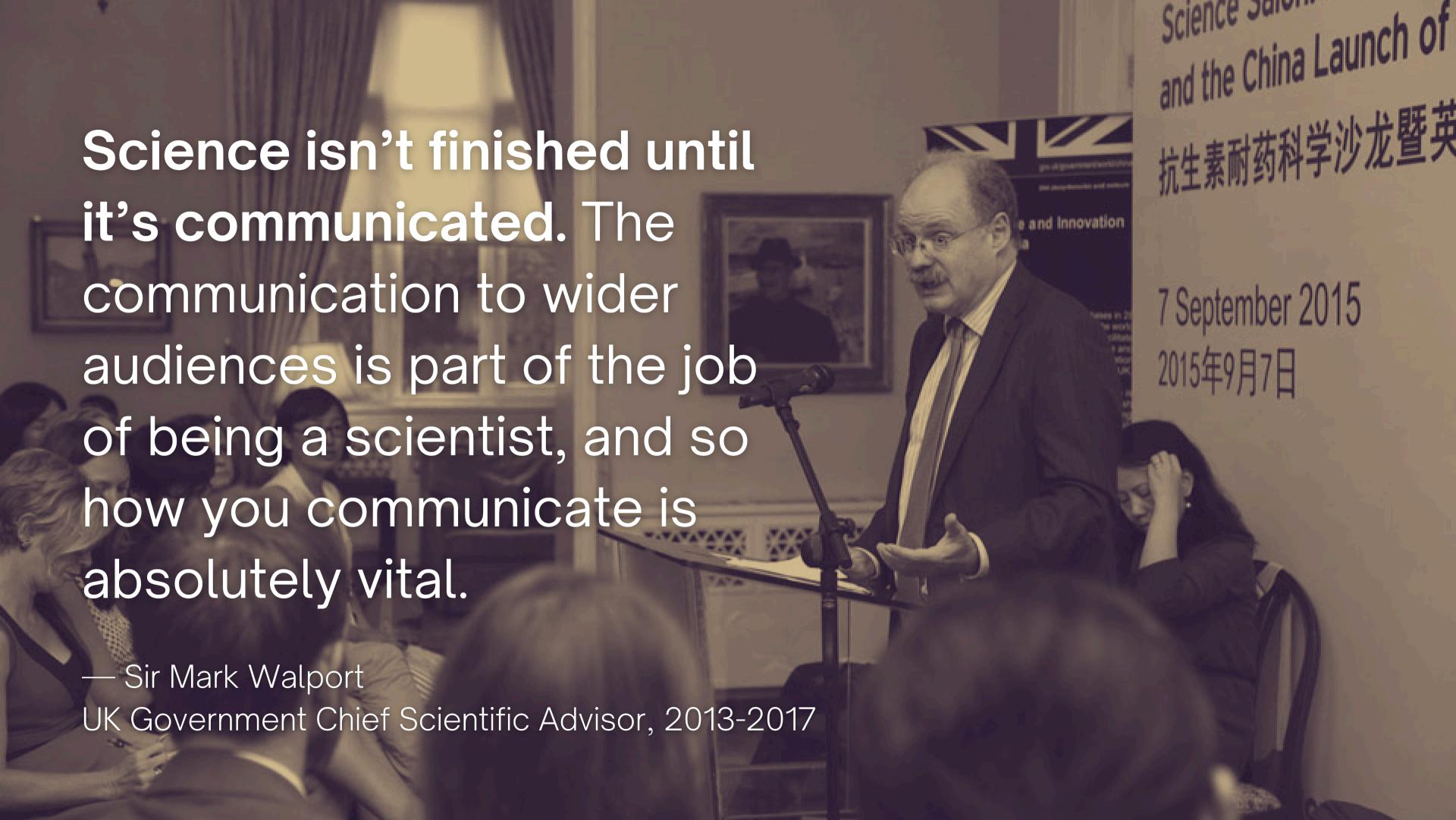
The Cordillera Quarterly Regional Economic Situationer summarizes the region's economic performance during the previous quarter and shows how well the region's economy will perform for the upcoming quarter.

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An Impact-Based Flood Forecasting System for Citizen **Empowerment**

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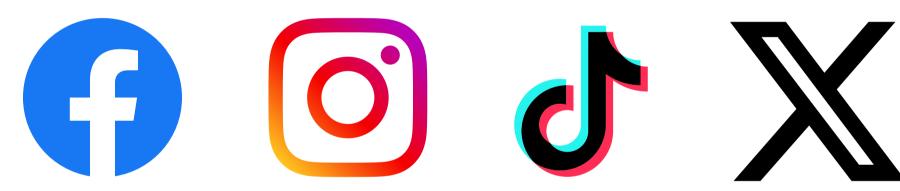
Percentage of Filipino internet users aged 16 to 64 who use each platform each month (Source: GWI)

Go where your audience/s is/are.

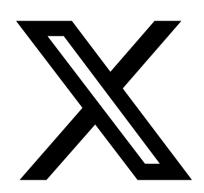
Social media platforms are not homogeneous: different platforms have different demographics.











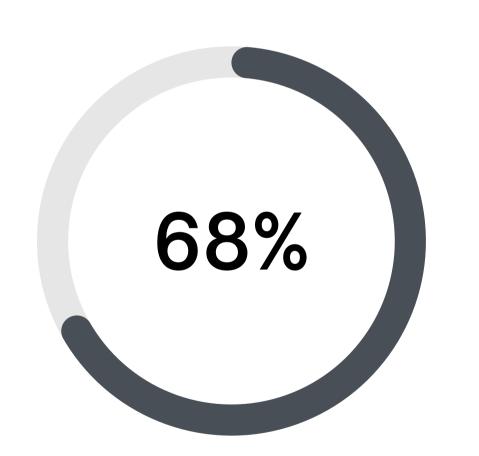
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Simple: most of our younger audience (i.e. students and teachers) are there.

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Filipinos aged 16-64 consider TikTok their most-used social media platform

3rd

most popular social media platform in the country, with 9.7% saying it's their favorite



average time per month that active users spent on TikTok (Android, July 1-Sept 30, 2023)

Digital is not necessarily social.

Don't be limited with social media. Utilize all tools at your disposal (i.e. newsletters, website platforms, blog posts, etc.)





Welcome to the Second Congressional Commission on Education's (EDCOM 2)'s newsletter containing updates on research papers, policy recommendations, and news.

EDCOM 2 decries college subsidy cuts on poorest



During the Senate deliberations on the 2025 budget for the State Universities and Colleges (SUCs), EDCOM 2 Co-Chairperson Senator Sherwin Gatchalian emphasized the concerning effects of the recent UniFAST Memorandum Circular 5, series of 2023, which reduced the Tertiary Education Subsidy (TES) from originally PhP 60,000 to PhP 20,000 for grantees enrolled in private higher education institutions (HEIs), and PhP 40,000 to PhP 20,000 for those enrolled in public HEIs.

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Gatchalian calls out DepEd over delays in Inclusive Ed implementation

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EDCOM 2 Co-Chairperson Senator Win Gatchalian expressed frustration over the prolonged delays in implementing Republic Act No. 11650, also known as the Inclusive Education Act.

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Update, review housing policies to prevent congestion of schools

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"Meron po kaming 2,150 learners from Grades 1-6, and only 6 classrooms". Holding back tears, Principal Liezl Raymundo, of Ciudad Nuevo Elementary School in Naic,

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10,018 DepEd schools without antibullying policy

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10,018 public schools have no localized anti-bullying policy despite being required by Republic Act 10627, passed in 2013. This is according to Department of Education

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New TESDA course to help upskill daycare workers by 2025

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Commissioners of the Second Congressional Commission on Education (EDCOM 2) advocated for an NC III certification program in Early Childhood Education under the 2025 TESDA

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EDCOM Commissioners push for TESDA's digital transformation

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LOW PASSING RATE IN EXAMS, OUTDATED HIRING POLIC

More than half of PH public schools lack qualified principals

By: Kathleen de Villa - Reporter / @kdevillaINQ Philippine Daily Inquirer / 05:44 AM November 10, 2024



LESSON FOR THE DAY A teacher at General Roxas Elementary School in Quezon City prepares her students for the day's lessons in this photo taken in February 2024.—INQUIRER file photo/Grig C. Montegrande

MANILA, Philippines — More than 24,000 public schools across the country are operating without qualified principals due to low passing rates in the exams needed for the position and a hiring policy of the Department of Education (DepEd) that is now considered outdated.

This is one of the latest findings of the Second Congressional Commission on Education (Edcom 2) in its ongoing evaluation of the sector.

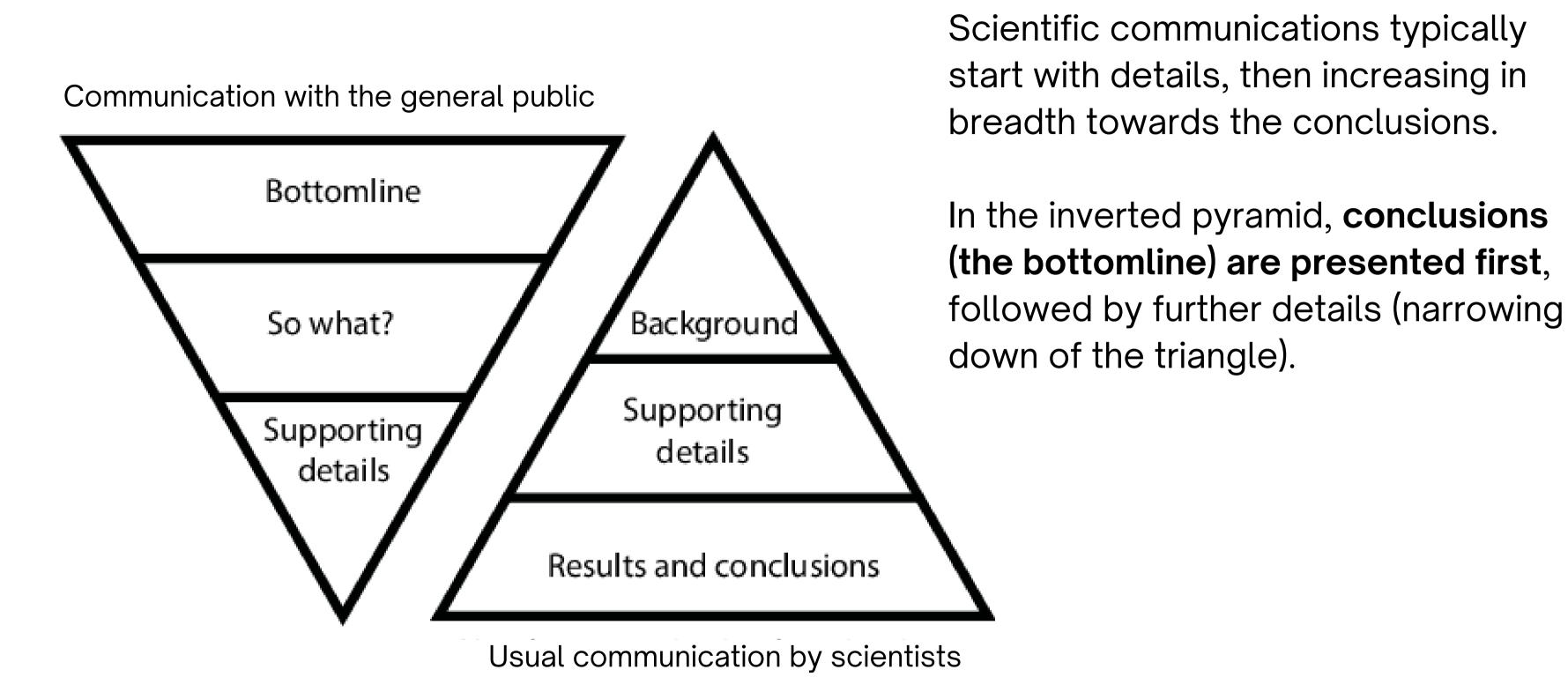
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Think differently.

Scientific communication is fundamentally different from communication with the general public. Science communicators focus on **effective storytelling**, which often has a different flow and structure from the writing used in scientific articles.



Hut, Rolf & Land-Zandstra, Anne & Smeets, Ionica & Stoof, Cathelijne. (2016). Geoscience on television: A review of science communication literature in the context of geosciences. Hydrology and Earth System Sciences. 20. 2507-2518. 10.5194/hess-20-2507-2016.

Tell compelling stories.

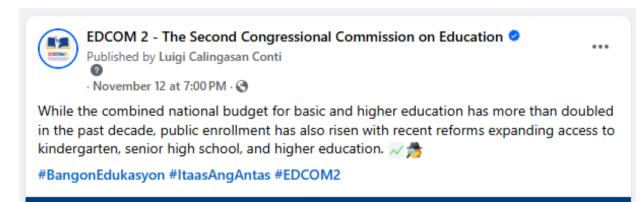
Stories come in all shapes and sizes.



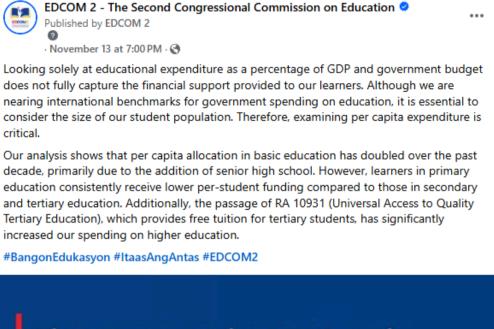
education, but this allocation level has not been sustained through the years.

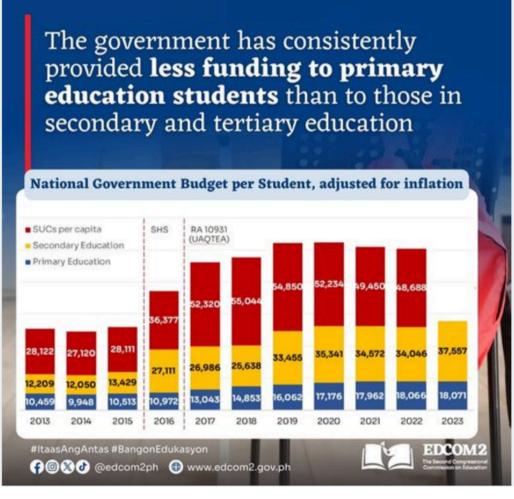
The benchmark laid out in the UNESCO 2030 Incheon Declaration provides countries with a reference point for setting their spending targets. Research shows increases in allocation for countries with low spending can have a big impac... See more

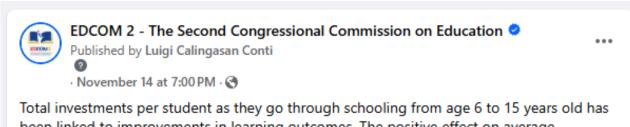
The Philippines has rarely met international benchmarks for government spending in education (4-6%), except in 2017 Total government spending on education RA10931 (UAOTEA) 6.0 5.0 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 2023 #ItaasAngAntas #BangonEdukasy











Total investments per student as they go through schooling from age 6 to 15 years old hat been linked to improvements in learning outcomes. The positive effect on average performance appears to taper off after the USD 50,000 mark. However, the Philippines spends significantly less on per student compared to its regional counterparts and the international benchmark.

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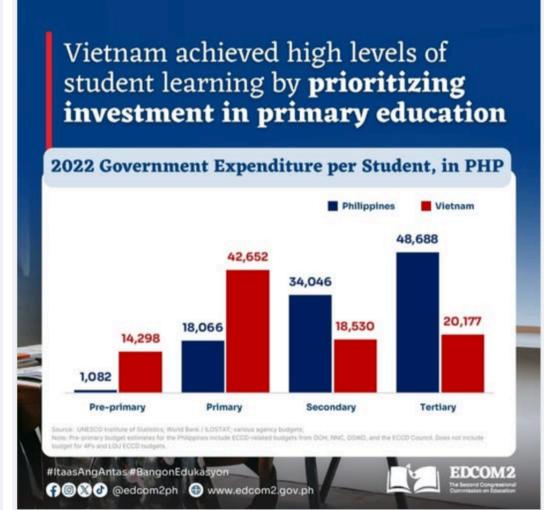


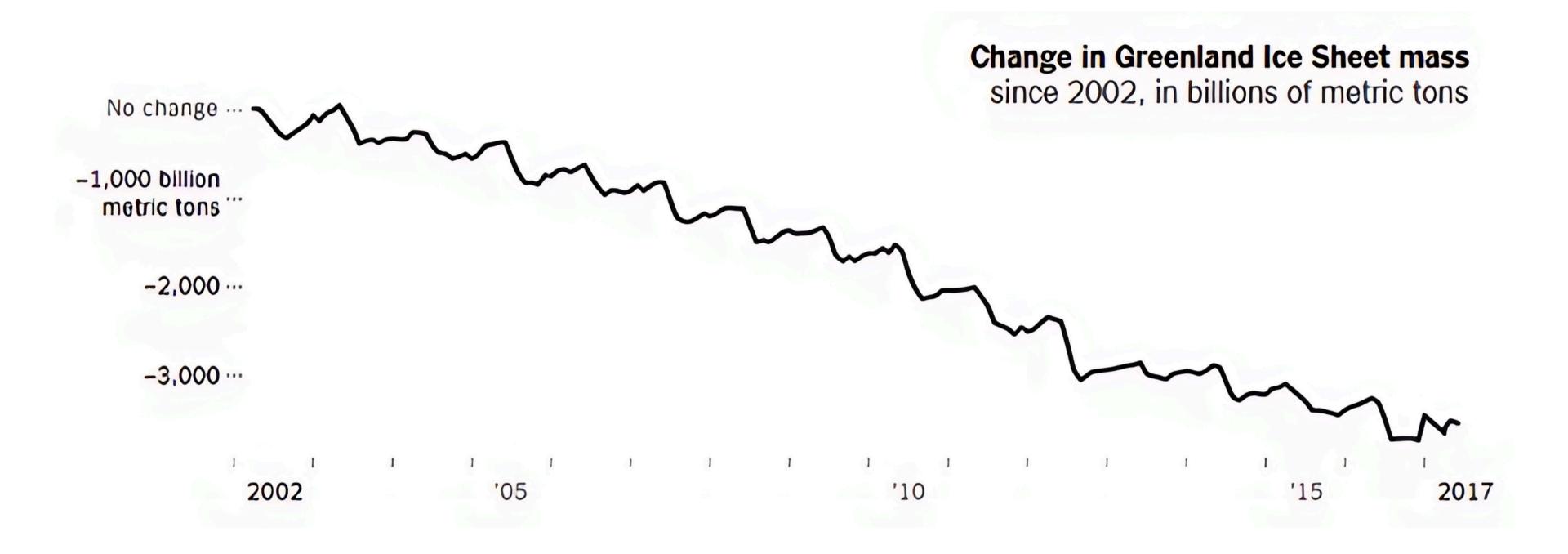
Vietnam has historically scored higher than the Philippines on PISA and invests considerably more in both pre-primary and primary education. This approach highlights that simply increasing the education budget is insufficient to ensure student achievement. Success relies on the effective distribution and strategic allocation of funds across the education system.

Vietnam actually allocates a smaller percentage of its GDP to education compared to the Philippines and has similar cumulative student expenditure. Yet, Vietnamese students significantly outperform their Filipino counterparts on the PISA assessment. In 2022, Vietnam spent an additional PHP 23,894 per student in primary education compared to the Philippines. Notably, Vietnam also invests considerably more in pre-primary education than the Philippines and many other countries (UNESCO, 2016).

Vietnam's approach underscores that simply increasing the education budget is not enough to ensure student achievement. Effective distribution and targeted allocation of funds across the education system are crucial for success.

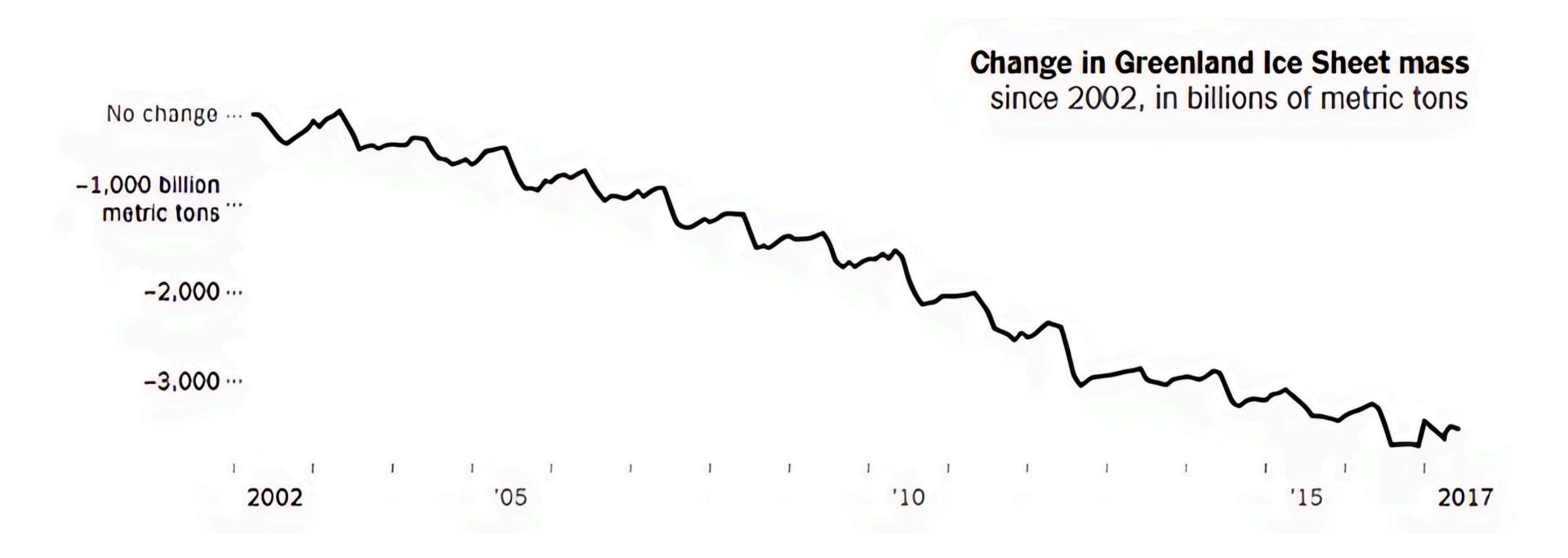
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- 1. Break down the graph in a step-by-step description.
- 2. Try to anticipate what the audience might be wondering: should I focus on those "ripples" I see in the plot; is the downward trend the point of the graph; and is the steepness of the plot important?

Every Graph Tells a Story: Teaching Tips, Wasserman, E. (2019) Retrieved from https://ctl.wustl.edu/every-graph-tells-a-story-teaching-tip/



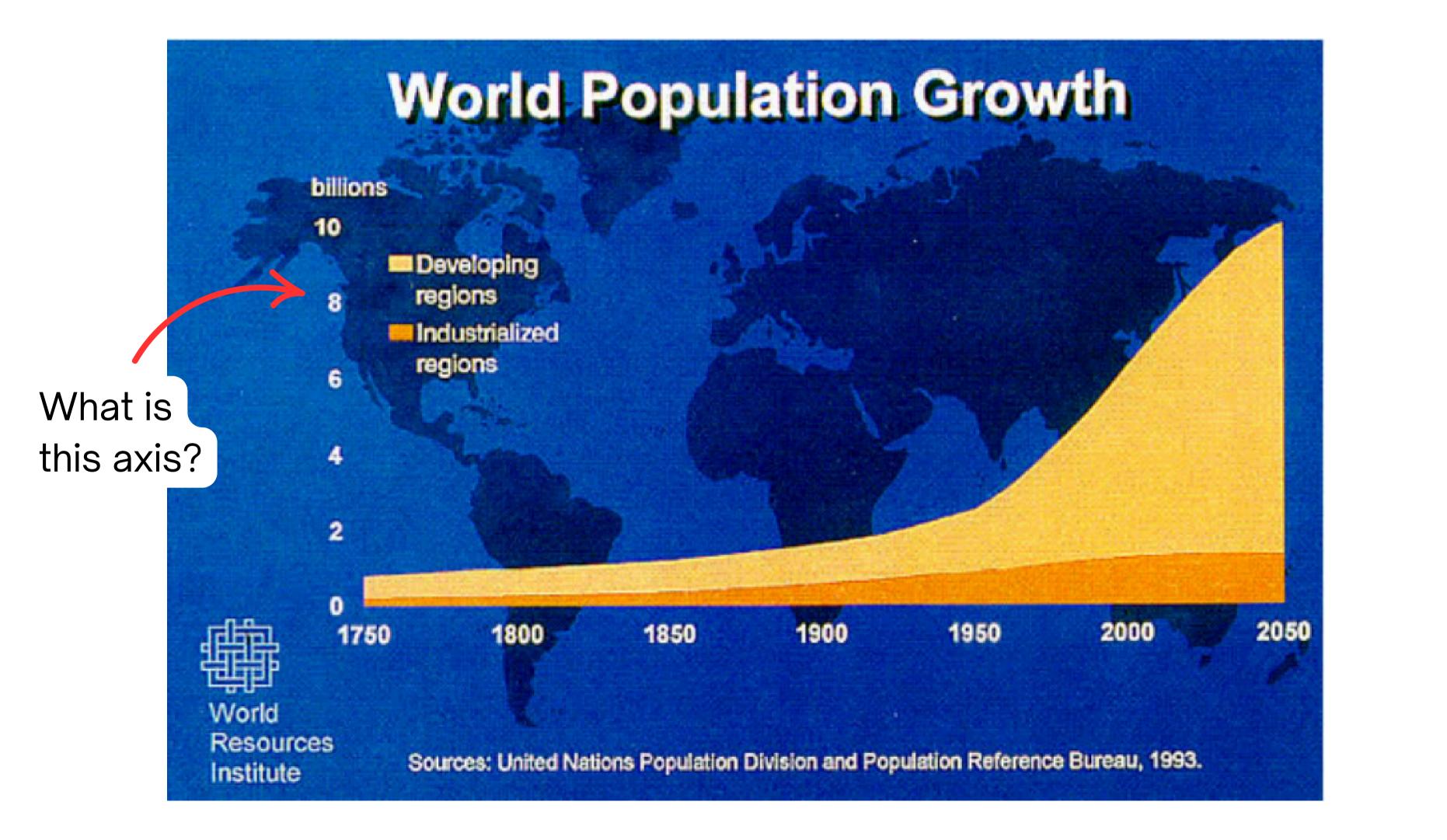
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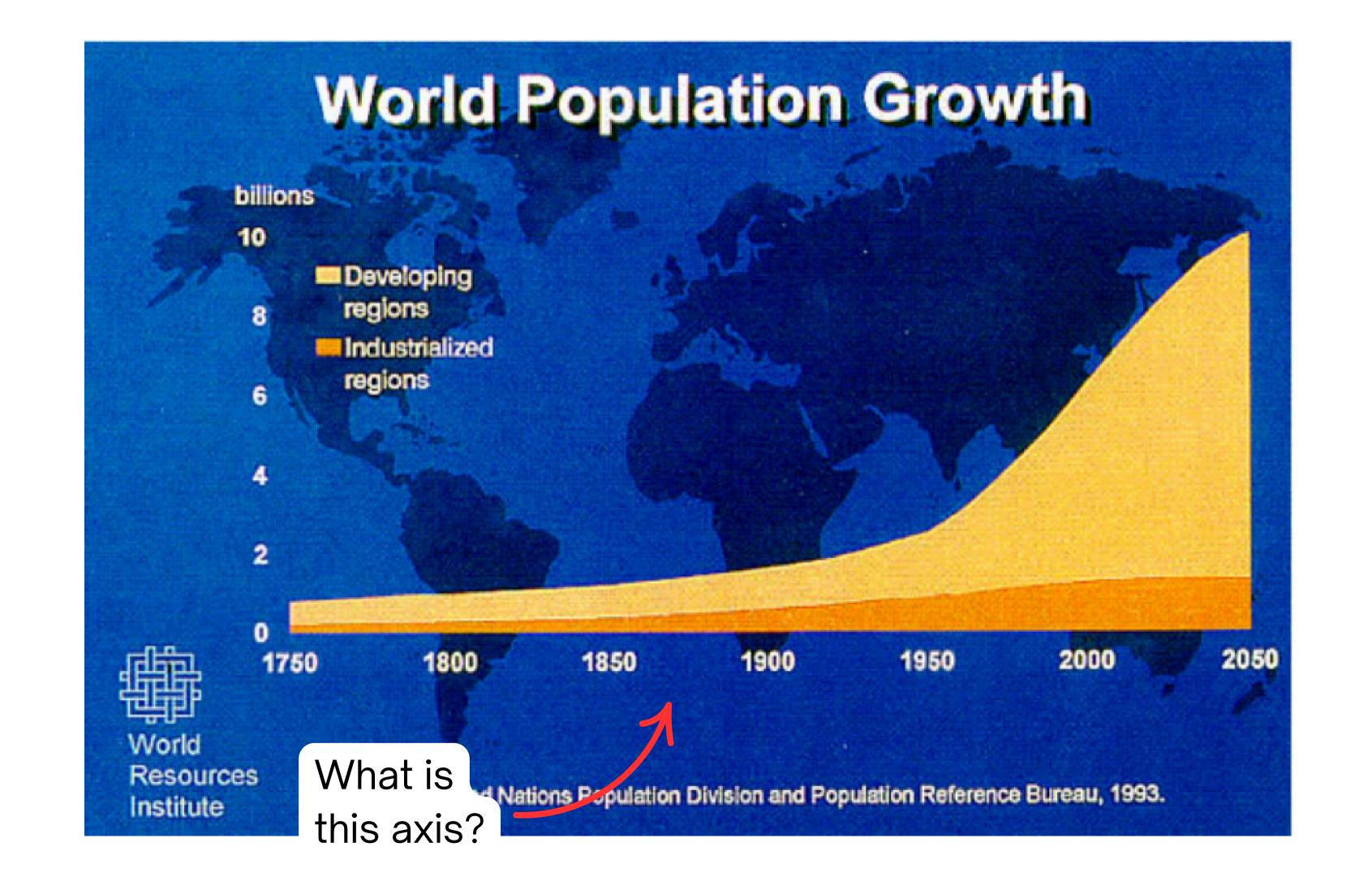
- 1. Write a short, descriptive **title** for the graph.
- 2. Illustrate the **axes** individually, and describe their units and trend. (Taking time to do this allows us to take in the graph, in parts.)
- 3. Describe the **shape**, focusing on the part(s) that communicate the story.

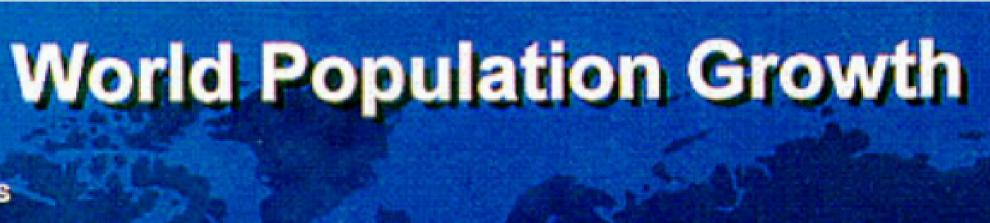
"Here is a graph of the loss of mass of the Greenland ice sheet over time." (title)

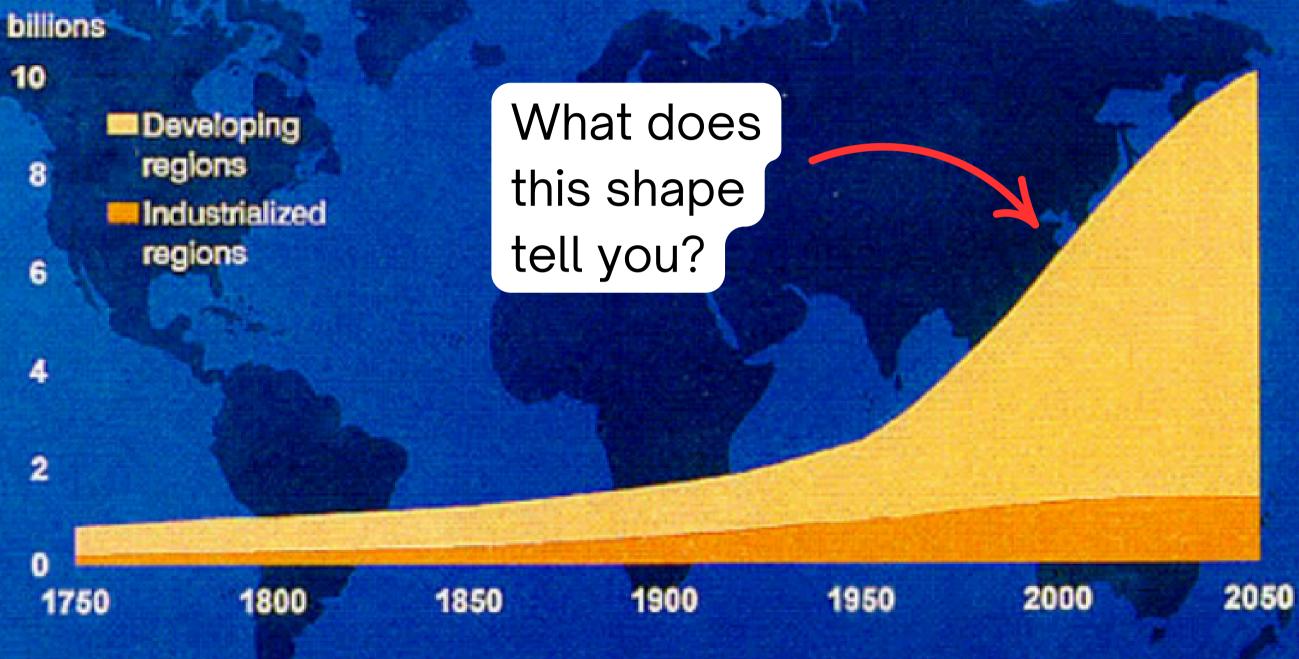
"Along the x-axis is time in years shown from 2002 to 2017. The y-axis has a negative scale in billions of metric tons of ice. These numbers are negative because they start from 0 (in 2002) and decrease with time." (axes description)

"The Greenland ice sheet has been losing mass between 2002 and 2017. There are ripples in the plot, reflecting the seasonal loss of ice in summer and gain in winter, but those aren't our focus. What's important here? Note, the ice sheet decreases slowly at first (2002 – 2005), but there is more mass loss (we'd say 'the rate of mass loss increases') from about 2005 – 2012. It appears to be a little less steep between 2012-2017 – so maybe this process is slowing down – but we'd need more data to be certain."



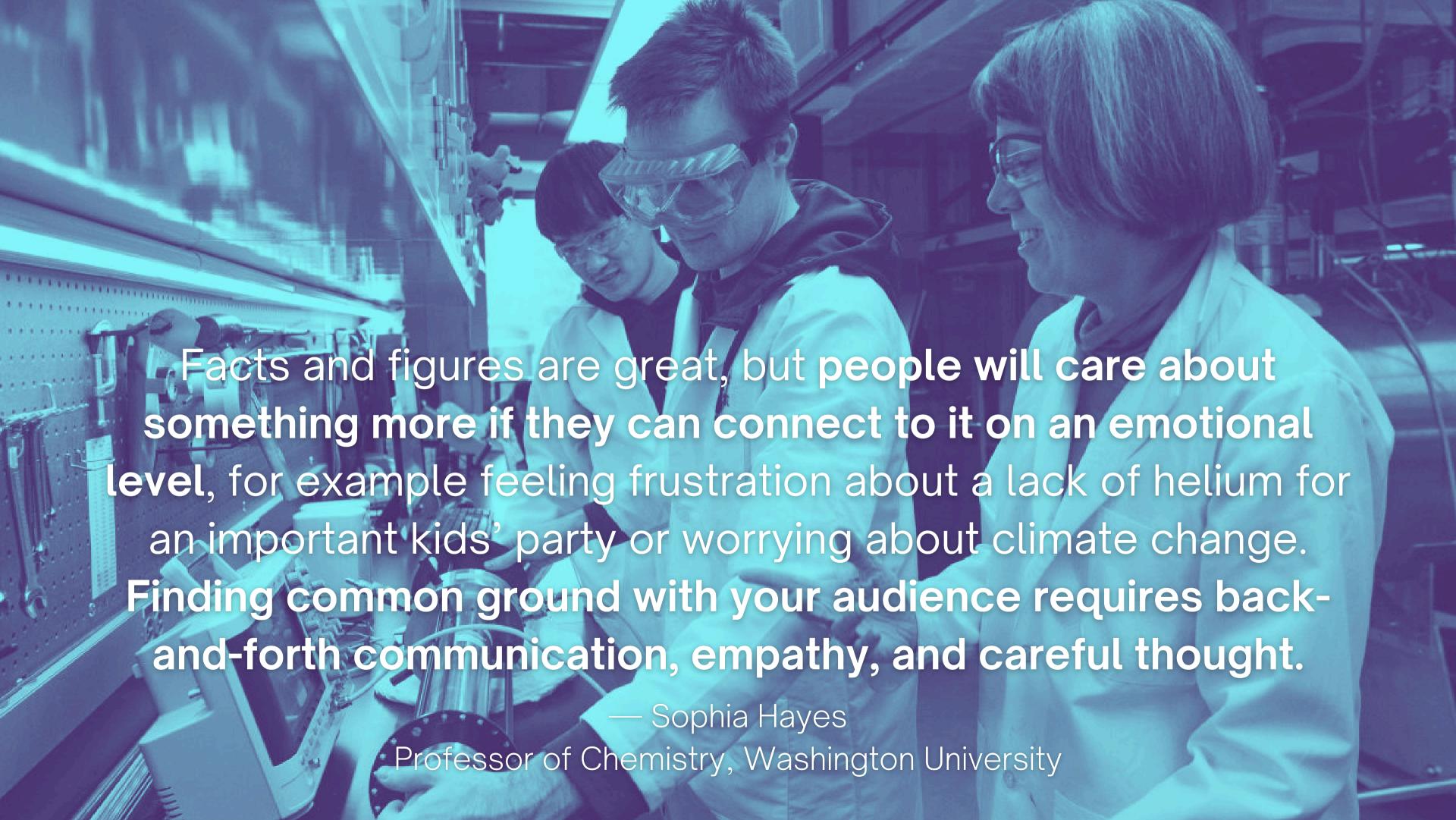






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Sources: United Nations Population Division and Population Reference Bureau, 1993.



Empathize.

Know what your audience needs to hear.



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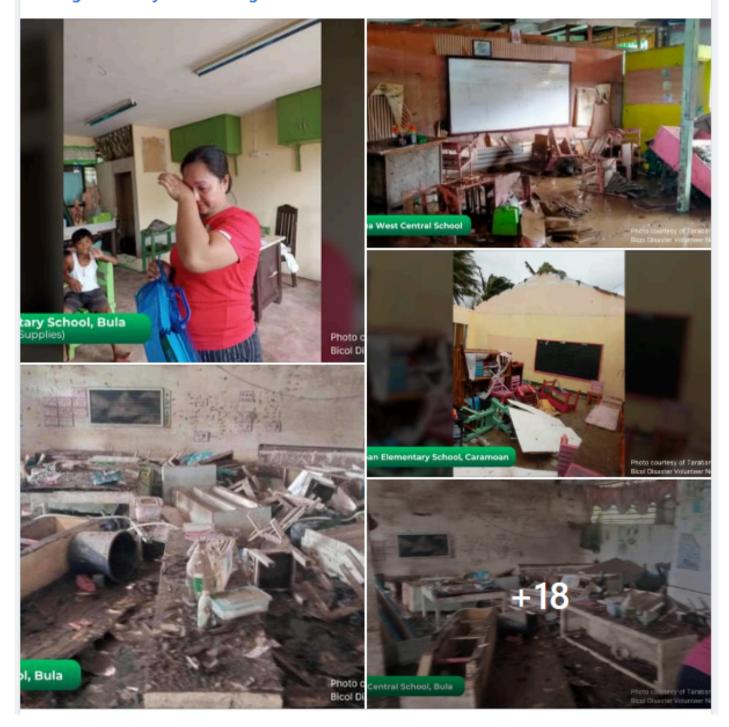
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· November 28 at 6:04 PM · 🔇

Sirang mga upuan, makeshift classrooms, nabaha na mga paaralan. 👀 Kitang kita sa mga litratong ito kung paano naaapektuhan ng kalamidad, natural hazards, at disasters ang ating public schools. 🌑 🔥 😝

: Tarabangan - Bicol Disaster Volunteer Network

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· November 28 at 4:32 PM · 🕙

#HAPPENINGNOW: Sa pamumuno ni Co-Chair Rep. Roman Romulo, nakikipagpulong ang Komisyon sa ilang kinatawan ng DepEd Philippines, DOST Philippines, at iba pang government agencies tungkol sa disaster risk reduction and mitigation sa ating mga public schools. 🜑 👌 💧 😆

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· November 24 at 7:00 AM ·

Kumpara sa ating ASEAN neighbors, ang mga estudyante sa 'Pinas ay mas madaming instructional time per week - mahigit 5 hours per week ng Math, Language, at Science! 😱 Download I and read I at www.edcom2.gov.ph/publications

This study was conducted through the #EDCOM2 - De La Salle University Research Fellowship 💚

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Filipino students in the lower secondary level spend more instructional time per week compared to their counterparts in other ASEAN countries: Indonesia, Thailand, Malaysia, and Vietnam.

Vietnamese students who spend the shortest actual weekly instructional time in school performed best in PISA (2018), while Filipino students who spend the longest actual weekly instructional time in school performed worst among their regional peers.

ACTUAL WEEKLY INSTRUCTIONAL TIME FOR COMMON SUBJECTS

	∠ Math	Language	Science Scienc
Indonesia	3hr 34min	3hr 45min	3hr 19min
Thailand	3hr 31min	3hr 7min	3hr 15min
Malaysia	3hr 27min	3hr 48min	3hr 36min
Vietnam	3hr 35min	3hr 50min	5hr 1min
Philippines	5hr 21min	5hr 14min	5hr 22min

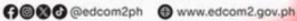
Source: PISA (2018)



Download the research publication here:

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November 24 at 7:30 PM ·

Ito ay isa sa mga guotes mula sa parent ng isang Grade 1 student - sa pinakabagong study ng mga research fellows ng De La Salle University, in support of #EDCOM2.

Kung nais mo pang malaman kung paano "overworked by design" ang ating K to 12 students, pumunta lamang sa www.edcom2.gov.ph/publications at i-download ang study!

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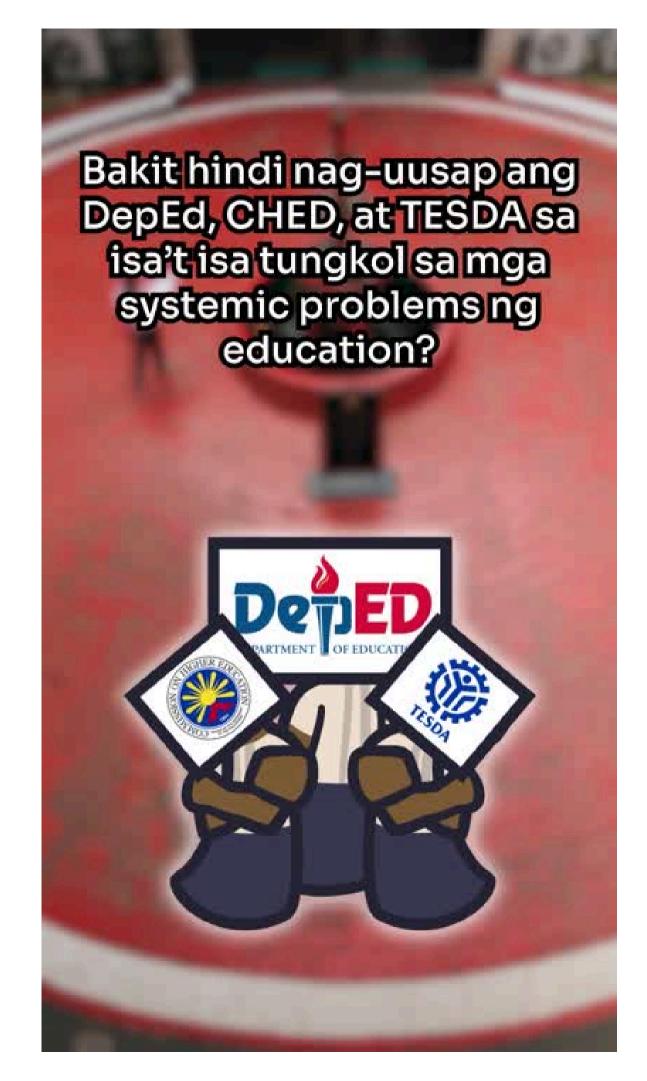


I often see communicators making the quite arrogant assumption that an audience wants to hear about, or even cares about, their message...I also see scientific messages framed in ways that are inaccessible to some audiences, either because they are presented at technical levels, or because they don't frame the issue at hand in a way that is relevant to the lives of the intended audience

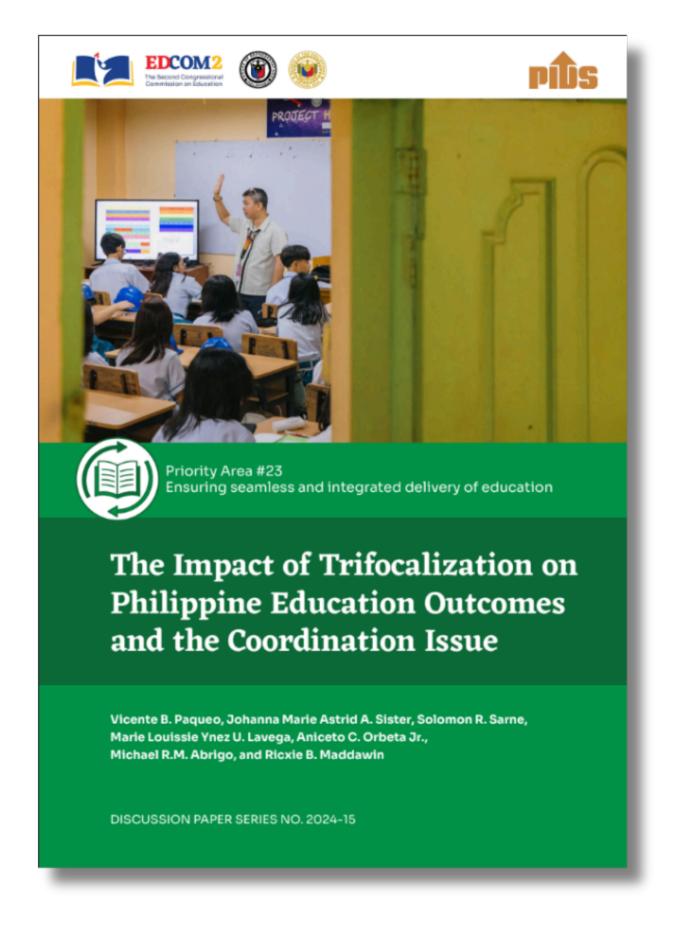
— Jeanne Garbarino

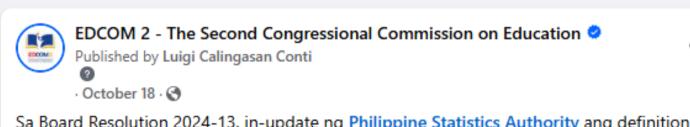
Director of Science Outreach, Rockefeller University

Speak with your audience.



Speak the language.





Sa Board Resolution 2024-13, in-update ng Philippine Statistics Authority ang definition ng literacy sa FLEMMS. Ito na ang definition na gamit sa kasalukuyang ginagawang FLEMMS 2024!

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PSA Board Resolution 2024-13 - "Approving a and Functional Literacy in the Philippines" Sa Board Resolution 2024-13, in-update ng Philippine Statistics Authority ang definition ng literacy sa FLEMMS. Ito na ang definition na gamit sa kasalukuyang ginagawang FLEMMS

	 2024! 👇				
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Can compute		0	0		
Can comprehend			0		

In an August 2024 Board Resolution, the Philippine Statistics Authority in collaboration with DepEd agreed to update the definition of "literacy" in FLEMMS 2024. This is the first time this has been done since 1989.

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Huwag makunteto sa "can read" and "can write" lang...



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Speak with your audience.

Not just to.

Digital technologies have drastically changed science communication.

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The public no longer merely consume science-related information but participate and generate their own content.

Scientists are no longer dependent on journalists as gatekeepers to spreading relevant information.

Taddicken, M. and Krämer, N. (2021). Public online engagement with science information: on the road to a theoretical framework and a future research agenda JCOM 20(03), A05.

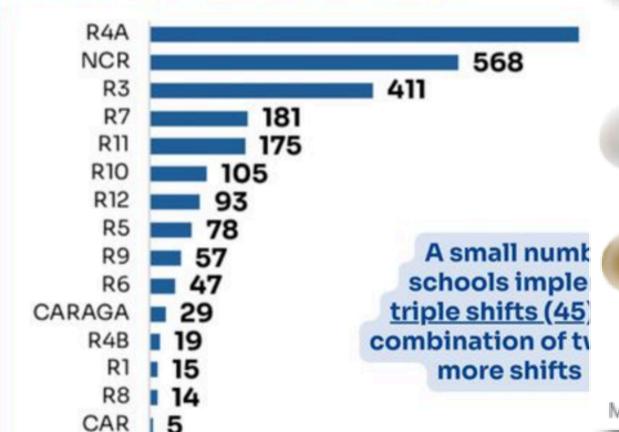
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Sa ilang rehiyon sa bansa, sobrang daming mag-aaral kaya hindi na sila magkasya sa isang classroom. Ang solusyon? Double shifts - kung saan dalawang batch ng mag-aaral ang pumapasok sa isang araw: isa sa umaga, at isa naman sa tanghali. Tingin mo, ideal ba ang sitwasyon na 'to? <a> Maganda ba 'tong solusyon sa classroom congestion?

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Number of schools in the couimplementing double shifts

2,591 (5.4%) of public schools have double shifts, with high prevalence in Region 4A, NCR, and Region 3.



100 classrooms are lacking in Misamis Oriental General Comprehensive High School..located in the heart of the city but both LGU seems to have no plans for the school due to problems in jurisdiction so the learners suffer.

6w Like Reply Hide

I teach in a school that implements double shifts. It's not ideal. Our students do not have breaks. It's straight teaching for six hours.

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Build schools, Hire more, Pay high Salary

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Reduce class size maximum of 25-30 for each section. Follow and impose vertical alignment of supervisors and specialists.

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October 14 - 🕙

Kailangan nating magkaroon ng maayos na strategy para ma-develop ang best and brightest sa bansa. Nakita ng #EDCOM2 na 1% lang ang nasusuportahan sa mga programa ng DepEd Philippines at DOST Philippines.

Read more: https://edcom2.gov.ph/edcom-2-govt-programs-support-only.../

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I think we really need to think through a national strategy for developing the best and the brightest.

Even if we need to just add one percent, or point-five percent per year, I think we need to act. It's high time for us to begin that discussion

DR. KAROL MARK YEE

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, EDCOM 2

ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION ON SUPPORTING OUR BEST LEARNERS, OCTOBER 11, 2024

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Most relevant -

To effectively address the struggles of our education system, we must first tackle societal problems and educate parents about proper parenting. The challenges faced by our education system are merely symptoms of deeper issues embedded within society.

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All of the things that I see here are just proposals. What about specific and doable action plans.

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I guess we also need to study Singapore's system of education. From there, we can gain insights and possibilities. Yung hindi puro idealism. 🍏

7w Like Reply Hide



Provide the teachers with lesson plans and Powerpoints..

and other supplemental activities and tests...yan sana trabahuhin nung mga nasa taas...nauubos na oras ng mga teachers paggawa Ng mga yan..konti na lang natitirang time to teach...

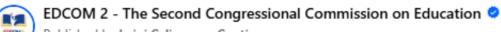
isama pa..congested competencies in senior high school...

Alisin Yung spiral system Ng science and math sa JHS...kawawa mga bata..walang mastery...limot na lahat Ng lesson pagdating sa SHS pa lang..

Tama po si ma'am Doreen wag tayong puro idealism..action ang kailangan..



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Ano ba dapat ang gawin ng teacher education institutions para maihanda ang mga aspiring teachers para sa propesyon ng pagtuturo?

Ano sa tingin mo? Makilahok sa survey ng Teacher Education Council - pumunta lang sa https://tinyurl.com/TECurriculumReview

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Don't be afraid to poke fun at your findings.

You'd be surprised at how humor goes a long way in social media.



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· October 18 · 🔇

Sa true lang tayo - lalo na sa definition ng basic at functional literacy!

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FUNCTIONAL FUNCTIONAL LITERACY RATE SA LITERACY RATE SA **PREVIOUS BAGONG DEFINITION NITO DEFINITION**** SA FLEMMS* **77.7%** *Based on 2019 data of the Functional Literacy and Mass Media Survey; for 10-64 years old; using data with automatic assignment **PSA Board Resolution No. 13, s. 2024 - "Approving and Adopting the New Operational Definition of Basic and Functional Literacy in the Philippines

Humor serves as a coping mechanism, assisting individuals in navigating the challenges and uncertainties of the pandemic, thereby promoting mental well-being. Humor emerged as a powerful tool to critique government actions, uncover inefficiencies, and shape public discourse. Linguistic devices, including wordplay, irony, satire, and parody, play a crucial role in conveying messages and emotions related to the pandemic.

— Alkaraki, S. M. S., Alias, N. B., & Maros, M. (2024). Exploring the impact of social media humor related to the COVID-19 pandemic: a systematic literature review on themes, coping mechanisms, critiques and linguistic devices. Cogent Arts & Humanities, 11(1). https://doi.org/10.1080/23311983.2024.2322227

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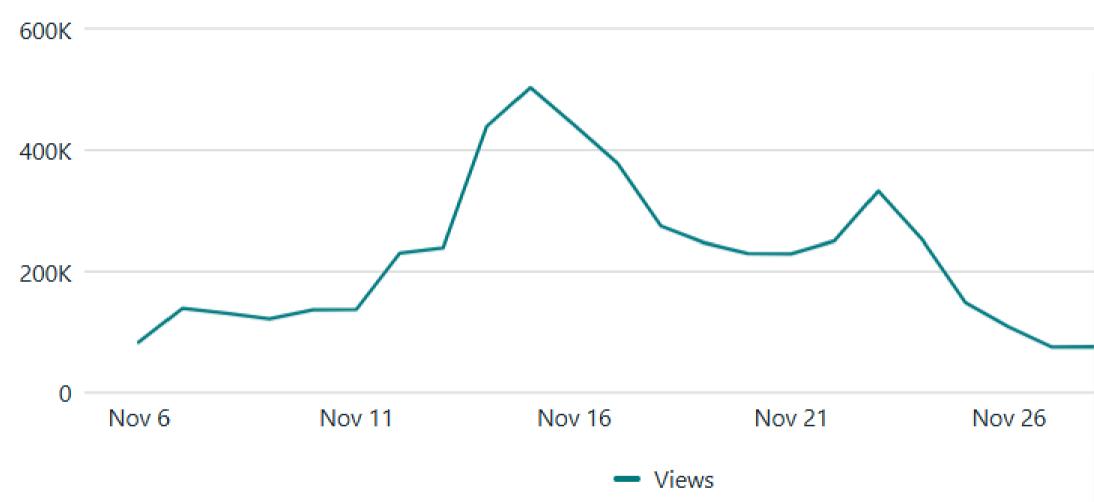
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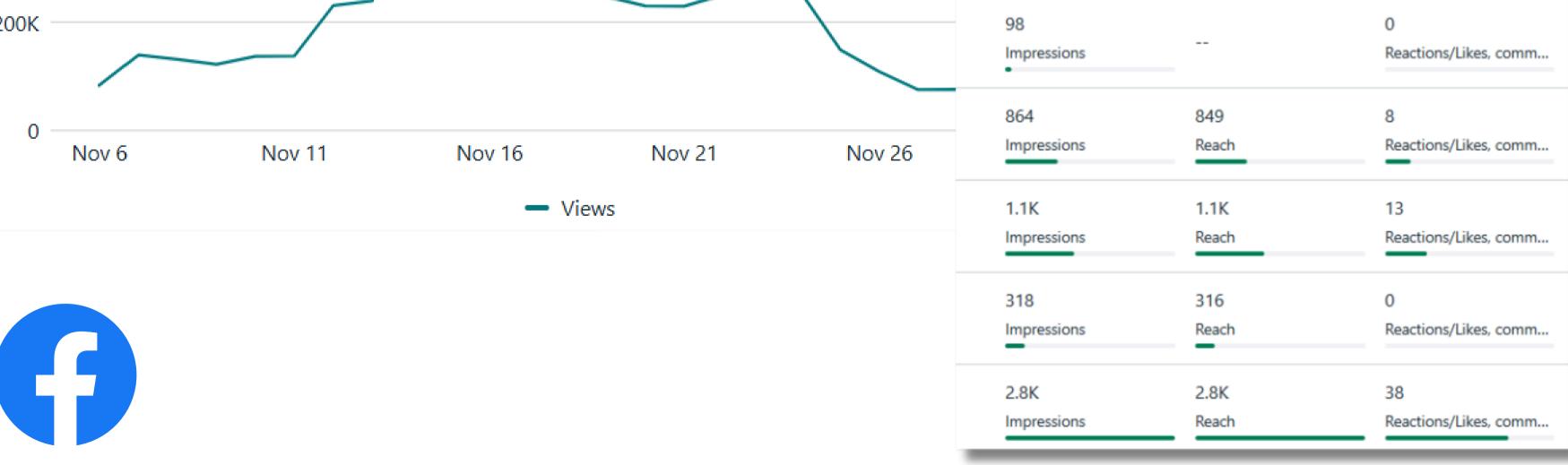
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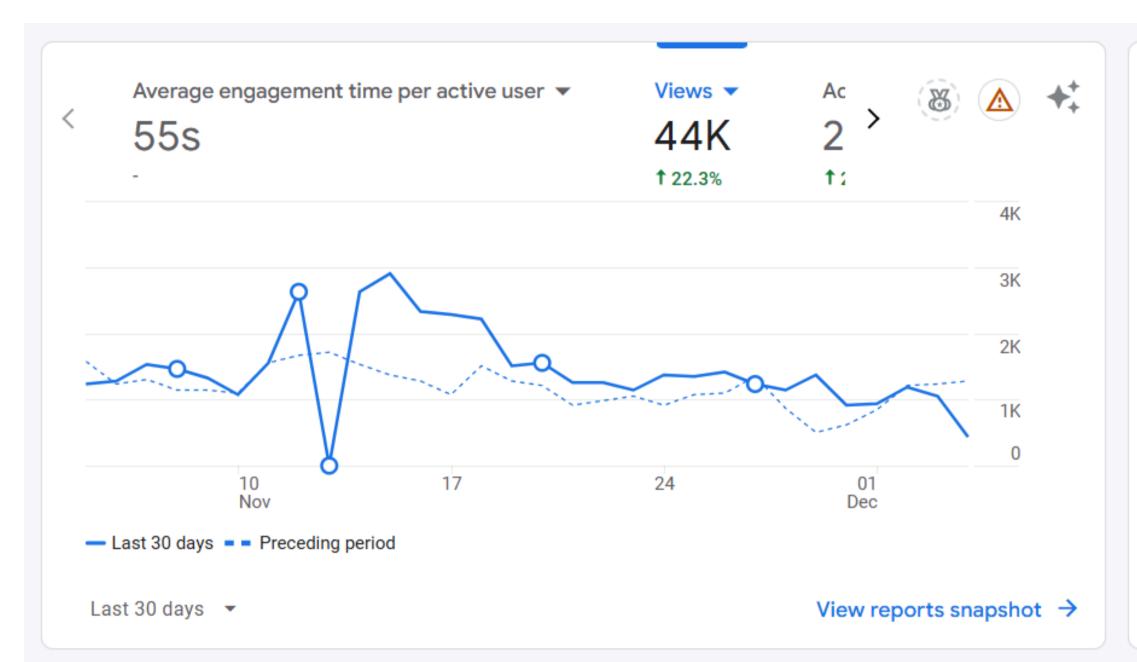
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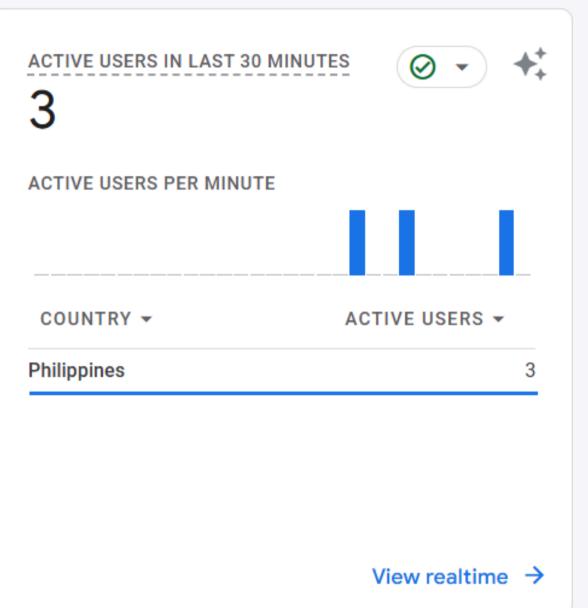
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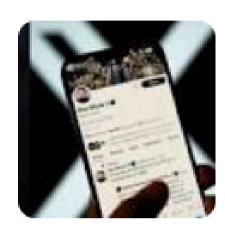
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Why Bluesky stands out and what you need to know



CBS News

Bluesky says users weary of X's "partisan microphone" are using its service. Here's wh...



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Voice of America

Many former X users migrate to Bluesky social media platform

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TechCrunch

What is Bluesky? Everything to know about the X competitor.



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Our agenda

Why communicate your research?

Who is your research for? What is your goal? The value of communicating science and research.

How do we maximize the digital space?

Leveraging platforms, telling compelling stories, using humor to our advantage, and other nifty stuff.

How do we maximize the digital space?

Go where your audience/s is/are.

Take advantage of everything in your digital toolkit.

Tell compelling stories.

Stories come in all shapes and sizes. Empathize.

Think differently.

Communicating with the general public is different than with your colleague.

Empathize.

Know what your audience needs to hear.

Speak with your audience.

Not just *to*. The digital world is a two-way stream.

Learn.

Leverage digital tools' capacity to measure, then analyze.

