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In-person schooling is more effective than online schooling.



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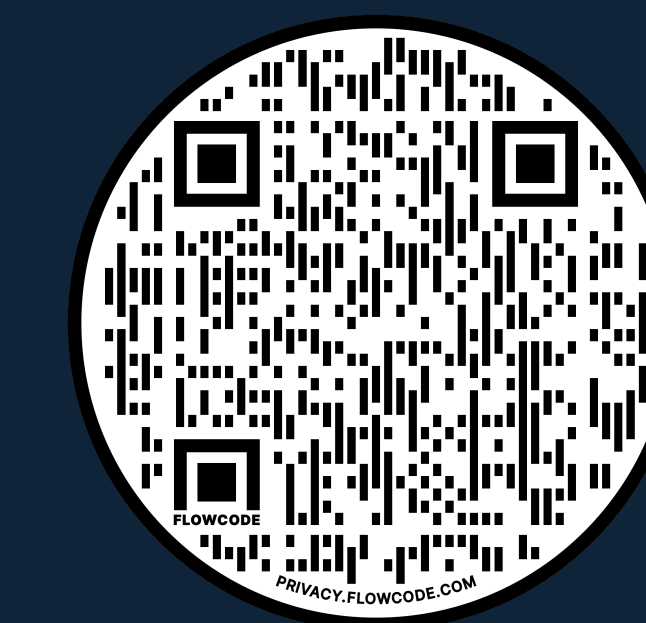
Introduction

Once Covid-19 hit, everyone was forced to go onto online school. In-person education was put on hold for what we thought was going to be 2 weeks. When Covid-19 escalated, students were forced into online school for the remainder of the year. Students struggled to find ways to do this at home. That next year, everyone went back to in-person school, and everything slowly shifted back to what we call “normal”. Teachers and instructors learned how to teach online classes and became very familiar with this program. Since then, we have always had online classes as an option. But is this option a good option? I have concluded that while online learning was a good alternative during the Covid-19 pandemic, it isn't an effective way of education and there are better ways to learn. Many students claim that they didn't learn as well online as they did in person. For me, outside of Covid-19 I have not any experience in online school. Although that was my only experience in online school, I got a good idea of the experience.



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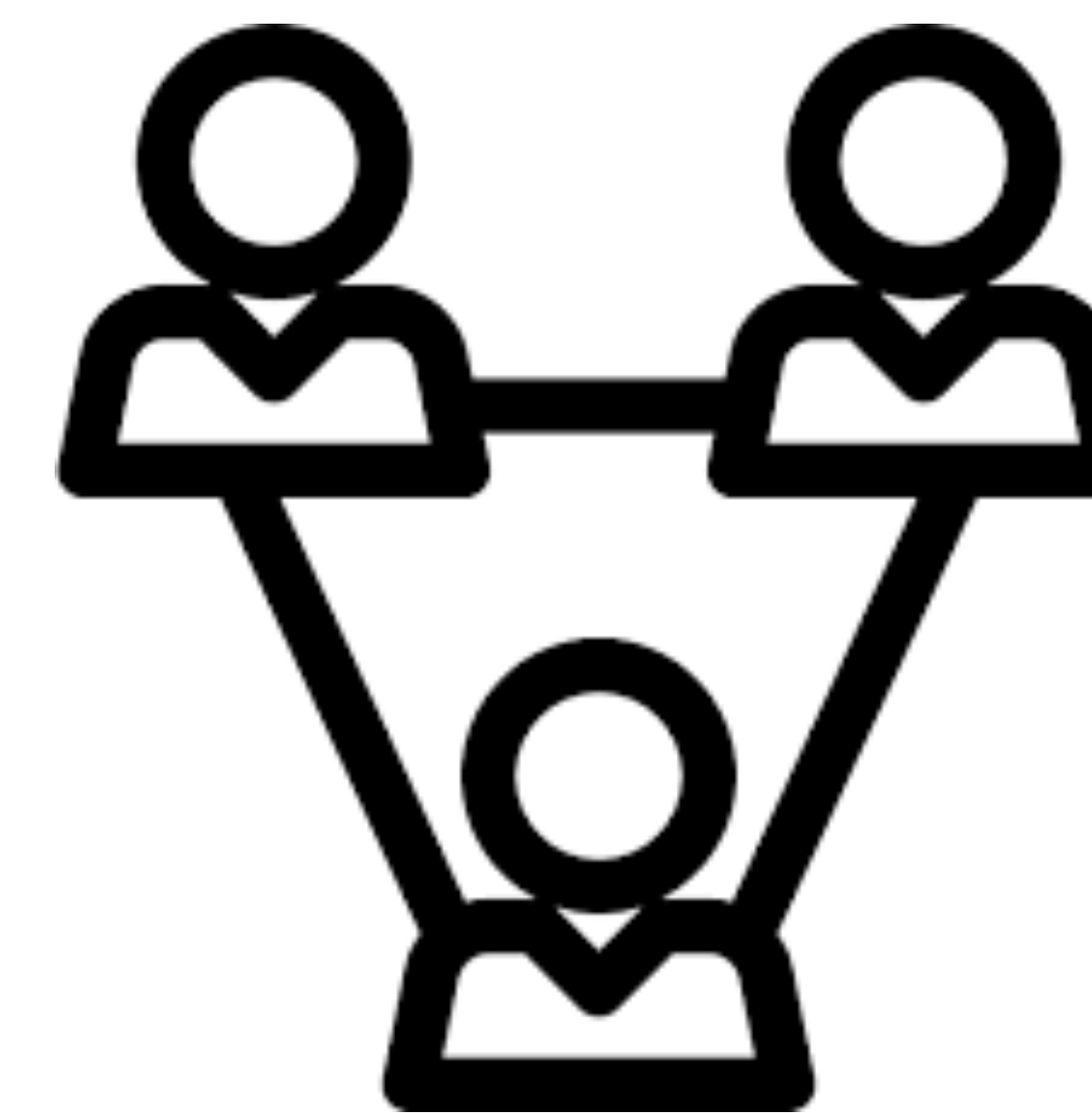
Students have a hard time concentrating on their schoolwork when they participate in online school. (Bay Atlantic, 2022)



If you decide to do online school, your screen time will increase. Too much screen time can cause issues with our eyes. (Woods, 2020)



The social aspect of learning is important. Students like to be in person to get involved in school activities and to make new friends. (Ezarik, 2022)



Online schooling promotes bad mental health. (High Focus Centers, 2020)



Conclusion

The way we educate is changing. It is amazing to see how we have found this new way to learn, but there is a great quantity of evidence to show that this new way isn't quite as pleasing as it seems. My research began with me hoping that online school would be more effective than in person school, so I can ski and do schoolwork. But unfortunately, at the end of this research, I concluded that although this was a good alternative during the Covid-19 pandemic, online schooling is much more effective and a better option than in-person schooling. I have come across many statistics that back up my claim throughout my research. Ezarik (2020) states, “Nearly half of students (47 percent) would rate the value of their education [in online schooling] this year fair or poor.” If nearly half of students believe that online schooling was not effective, then I don't think this is an option we should consider. As much as the flexibility sounds so nice, I concluded that the negatives outweigh the positives on this topic. Students, as you register for classes next semester, maybe don't sign up for those online classes because they seem flexible; you might regret it.