

Technology for the Birds Without Wings

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A Tibetan proverb states, “A child without education is like a bird without wings.” As I gaze through my window each morning, I observe numerous of giant birds with wings that graciously flap through the painted sky. The hard reality is that there are a handful of birds that aren’t given access to wings. This special group of birds are forced to familiarize with a very small area of the sky. As millions of their counterparts explore and acquire knowledge about the many colors in the sky, the disadvantage of being underprivileged prevents access to the blessing of knowledge.

If I had a magic wand, I would gladly wave it and wish for all birds to have the accessibility of wings, and fly through knowledge. Even though we can’t wave a magic wand, we can help to solve this problem by giving access to technology to millions of birds across the United States. Technology is a wonderful replacement for the “missing wings,” and decreases the number of birds that aren’t able to explore the sky. After all, technology enables birds to increase their understanding in difficult topics, and examine new subjects when used for educational ways. If all birds have the access to technology and utilize it properly, the issue of the “missing wings” could be eradicated.

Students across the country could get access to technology through the help of generous donations. The NorthSouth Foundation can assist to this cause by donating a portion of the money generated from the competitions. The foundation could also raise awareness through multiple social media platforms in order to raise additional donations. As well as this, we can all come together and convince many states to spend more money per students in school. We can do this by holding peaceful protests, creating petitions, and spreading a lot of awareness. After all,

nearly all the states in the U.S. spend more money per prisoner than per public school student. If we drive strong efforts, we'll be able to fill in all of the "missing wings" to the millions of birds across the country.

Donating money towards improving technological access is a very inexpensive solution compared to the alternate solution of donating thousands to each underprivileged student. This is because the annual cost needed for a district with 40% of students in poverty to get average test scores can be between \$20,000 and \$30,000 per student. In fact, giving underprivileged students the access to technology may even result in test scores well above average. After all, the internet is also an infinite library of knowledge. With unlimited access to the infinite library, students can find their true passion and achieve virtually anything.

Better educational accessibility to all students is needed for an ideal society to be formed. With high-quality education among all members of our society, it's inevitable for many more innovations to come in the future.

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