



NEWSLETTER

Digital Literacy in Education: The BIG WIN for Employment

Headmasters joined in Kigali together to ensure they get an even better understanding of the program and to launch themselves on this educational journey.

Thank you for your commitment!



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A Message from the Director General Rwanda TVET Board, Paul Umukunzi

“**Dear Colleagues from the Education Sector,**

It is quite a journey that we have started and will continue, to ensure that our educators, as well as our students, receive the best education possible to make them thrive in this exciting century and digital age.

As Director General of the Rwandan TVET Board, I consider the preparation and raining of our educators and students of the highest priority and while we have still a long way to go, our vision is clear.

You, as educators, are a key component to the change in our society. It is essential for all our students to leave school with an international certification in digital competencies allowing them to show a benchmark to enter the professional world. Today we are talking robotics, AI, ChatGPT, and related topics: it is our duty to ensure that our youngsters are equipped with the basic understanding to continue their development after school.

Colleagues, it is time to understand that all of us need to upskill and that lifelong learning is not an option but part of the job. If we do not train ourselves to the highest standards, how can we expect our students to succeed later in life?

Therefore I would like to insist but more importantly, encourage you to take the opportunity to educate your students and yourself to be prepared for the next phase. I guarantee you; the world is not waiting. It is for us to catch up!!!!

Thank you for your commitment, your hard work and all you are doing for Rwanda.”



SYSTEM UPDATE REMINDER



Student registration will now only be possible by sending us a student list following a template! Once received, we will create REB/RTB email addresses and DSF training accounts for all your students.

Get in touch with our support team for any exceptional registration request.

**BEST PERFORMING DISTRICTS FOR
TEACHER COMPLETION
EDUCATION (TGS/DCP)**

- ★ MUSANZE
- ★ KICUKIRO
- ★ MUHANGA

**BEST PERFORMING SCHOOLS FOR
STUDENT DIGITAL
COMPETENCY PASSPORT
COMPLETION**

- ★ ES DE GISENYI
- ★ KAVUMU TVET
- ★ ES GASENYI



INSIGHTS FROM GEORGE K. WERNER,

Senior Education Advisor at Digital Skills Foundation and former Minister of Education in Liberia

“ My own personal experience has taught me that appreciating teachers is crucial, not only because they play a fundamental role in shaping our future generations but also because they often work tirelessly with little recognition or appreciation. While financial rewards are always welcome, there are many other ways to show appreciation for teachers. One way is by simply

expressing gratitude through a heartfelt thank you note or a verbal expression of thanks. Another way is by acknowledging their hard work and dedication in public settings such as school assemblies or staff meetings. Providing professional development opportunities, resources, and support can also show teachers that their growth and development matter. Lastly, involving teachers in decision-making processes and valuing their input can go a long way in showing them that their expertise and experience are valued. By taking these steps to appreciate teachers beyond financial rewards, we can create a culture of respect and support for the educators who shape our future. ”



Engaging students' memory and creativity

Have all the students sit in a circle. The game is played in quick-fire rounds where each turn should take no more than 15 seconds.

Start by saying a word related to something you did or learned during the school year. For example, if you learned about space, you could say "moon."

The next student in the circle has to say a word that starts with the last letter of the previous word. For example, if the previous word was "moon," the next student could say "night." Keep going around the circle, with each student adding a word that connects to the previous one.

If a student can't think of a word within a few seconds or repeats a word that has already been said, they're out of the game.

The game continues until only one student is left, and they are declared the winner.



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INTRODUCING OUR CHATBOT!

We are thrilled to announce the launch of our support chatbot!

This new support channel promises to be your ultimate educational companion. With options for personalized assistance, automated replies, and administrative queries, our Chatbot can help guide you to the most suitable solution to your questions, comments or concerns.

Get ready to experience seamless learning, enhanced productivity, and individualized guidance like never before!

Your dedicated support team will still be available to you via email and through the support contact form on the website www.dsf.global

THANK YOU FOR BEING A PART OF THE DIGITAL REVOLUTION!

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“ I am TWUMVIRIMANA Etienne, one of the Digital Skills Foundation (DSF) Master Trainers and a teacher at G.S ST Michel Mubuga in the Karongi district of Rwanda. I, Education Leaders, Teachers, and Students, gained knowledge and skills from DSF training needed to effectively use and manage ICT tools when teaching and learning whether online or face to face (Blended mode of learning) and when solving the problems. Because of DSF training we are now

able to introduce creativity in classroom, to understand and manage change, to apply project-based learning, to manage stress, grief and trauma in students and apply counseling to the students. We thank Digital Skills Foundation (DSF) for all the courses and expect to reach all educators and students in our country. ”