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PRODUCING STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS AMIDST LIMITED ACCESS TO EDUCATION IN REMOTE AREAS

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Abstract:

Education in remote areas often faces various challenges such as limited infrastructure, lack of educational resources, and lack of access to technology. However, students from this region still have the potential to excel if supported by the right approach. Strategies such as strengthening the role of communities, special training for teaching staff, and implementing simple technology can be effective solutions in improving the quality of education. Apart from that, support from the government and private institutions in the form of mentoring programs and the provision of learning facilities also plays a significant role in creating a conducive learning environment. With a holistic and collaborative approach, limited access to education can be overcome, so that producing outstanding students in remote areas becomes a reality that can be realized.

Keywords: High Achieving Students, Remote Education, Access To Education, Learning Strategies, Strengthening Communities

INTRODUCTION

A review of previous research shows that education quality assurance has a significant contribution in realizing the school's vision through various strategic approaches. Research by Wahyu Dwipuspitasari and Afri Yulisma (2024) highlights the role of strong leadership, stakeholder collaboration, and implementation of quality standards in supporting the achievement of the school's vision. Meanwhile, a study by Dinda Gustiana et al. (2024) focuses on implementing innovative organizational management by utilizing information technology and professional development to improve the quality of education. However, the proposed research offers novelty in the context of integrating a technology-based approach with a deeper community collaboration model, so that it not only includes improving internal quality but also strengthening synergy between the school and the surrounding community. Thus, this research provides a new contribution to educational management, both in terms of strategy and its impact on the wider environment.

This research aims to understand strategies for building student achievement amidst educational disparities. In existing studies regarding education in remote areas, especially in producing outstanding students despite facing limited access to education. Most previous research focused more on aspects of infrastructure availability or the quality of teaching staff, but did not highlight specific effective strategies for supporting student achievement in

limited conditions. This research specifically identifies and analyzes methods, approaches and best practices that can be applied to improve student achievement in remote areas. Thus, this research not only provides an empirical contribution to the education literature, but also offers practical solutions that are relevant for stakeholders in improving the quality of education in underserved areas.

Assumptions about Producing Outstanding Students amidst Limited Access to Education in Remote Areas Limited access to education in remote areas is often considered to be the main obstacle in producing outstanding students, but with the right strategy, this obstacle can be overcome. Factors such as lack of infrastructure, shortage of qualified teachers, and limited learning resources pose significant challenges for students and educators in this region. However, innovative approaches, such as the use of distance learning technology and collaboration between schools, communities and government, have the potential to improve the quality of education despite limitations. For example, providing digital devices and teacher training to optimize technology-based teaching methods can open student access to wider learning resources. Therefore, it is important to adopt policies that support educational equality as a solution to existing limitations.

Apart from that, the success of producing outstanding students in remote areas also depends on developing students' internal motivation and supporting an inclusive learning environment. Under limited conditions, students often have a lot of fighting power to achieve their goals, but they need consistent support from parents, teachers, and the community. For example, providing scholarships, mentoring programs, or locally based competitions can be a means of fostering students' enthusiasm for learning and self-confidence. This combination of strategic external support and strengthening internal motivation is the key to success in producing students who not only excel academically, but also have strong character to face future challenges. Thus, although significant challenges remain, limited access to education in remote areas is not an absolute barrier for students to achieve impressive achievements.

RESEARCH METHODS

This research uses a qualitative approach with a case study method to understand efforts to produce outstanding students amidst limited access to education in remote areas. Data was collected through in-depth interviews with students, teachers, parents and stakeholders in the local community. In addition, direct observations were carried out to explore the condition of educational facilities, teaching methods, and social environmental support. Data analysis was carried out descriptively by identifying patterns, themes and relationships between various factors that influence student achievement. Data validity is guaranteed through triangulation of data sources, techniques and theories. By using this approach, this research aims to provide a comprehensive overview of strategies, challenges and opportunities that can support student achievement in remote areas, as well as produce recommendations that are applicable for policy makers.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION Utilization of Learning Technology

This article presents research findings that focus on efforts to produce outstanding students in remote areas despite facing limited access to education.

This research aims to identify factors that influence student academic achievement and how various learning strategies and community strengthening can overcome these challenges (Hadi, S. (2019). In the midst of existing educational gaps, it is important to explore how geographical and socio-economic conditions can influence students' ability to achieve optimal academic achievement. The findings of this research were obtained through interviews with teachers, parents and local communities, as well as direct observation in several schools in remote areas.

The results of interviews and observations show that limited access to education in remote areas is not only caused by the long distance from the city center, but also by the lack of adequate educational facilities and resources. Based on interviews with school principals, there are schools that are forced to operate classes with a very large number of students and without a sufficient number of properly trained teachers. One teacher revealed that limited technology in schools made it difficult for them to access the latest teaching materials, which in turn hampered students' ability to develop their skills. In addition, observation results show that many students in the area rely on very limited teaching materials, such as outdated textbooks and minimal facilities for practical activities.

However, interviews with parents and local community members indicated a sense of optimism and commitment to supporting their children's education. They often help children with their studies, although they are also limited in resources. Local communities also show initiative in providing shared study spaces and organizing study group activities involving students from several families. However, several communities also expressed the need for further training to support their role in children's education.

Data from interviews and observations provide a clear picture of the enormous challenges faced by students in remote areas in their efforts to achieve optimal academic achievement. Limited access to educational facilities and lack of educational resources are the main obstacles that students and educators in this region must face. However, these findings also show that despite facing major challenges, local communities have an important role in supporting education. Communities who actively participate in the learning process teach the importance of education and provide much-needed social support to increase student motivation.

Overall, although access to education in remote areas is limited, community strengthening efforts and local initiatives can help overcome most of the existing obstacles. Therefore, it is important for related parties, such as the government and educational organizations, to provide further support, especially in terms of providing adequate facilities and improving teacher skills to ensure that students' potential can continue to develop despite limitations.

Providing Scholarships

This article reviews research findings related to strengthening communities in producing outstanding students in remote areas, especially in the face of limited access to education. This research aims to explore how community and family involvement in the educational process can have a positive impact on achievement. The main focus of this research is to understand the extent to which strengthening the role of the community through joint learning activities, parental guidance, and community initiatives can help students overcome the educational obstacles they face. The findings of this research were obtained from interviews with parents, teachers and local community leaders, as well as direct

observations carried out in several schools in remote areas.

The results of interviews with parents and teachers show that although access to education in remote areas is very limited, efforts to strengthen communities can have a significant impact on student achievement. One parent revealed that they play a very important role in helping their children study at home, even with limited learning aids. Interviews with teachers also confirmed that although they often work with minimal resources, the support provided by parents and the community goes a long way in creating a positive learning atmosphere. In addition, observations in the field show that several communities in remote areas have initiated shared learning rooms in residents' homes, where students can study in groups with guidance from community members who have certain skills (Syafruddin, M, 2020).

Other findings from interviews with village heads and community leaders show that they actively support children's education in their area. One of the initiatives carried out is providing transportation facilities for students who live far from school, so that they can participate in learning more easily. Apart from that, several communities also hold training for parents on how to support their children's education, including ways to manage study time at home and assist children in doing school assignments. Observations also reveal that social activities involving education, such as regular meetings to discuss children's learning progress, play a major role in creating collective awareness of the importance of education.

Data from interviews and observations provide a deeper understanding of the important role of community strengthening in supporting student achievement in remote areas. Limited educational facilities can be overcome with active participation from parents and the community ("Kurniawan, R., & Adi, D. (2017). The Role of the Family in Supporting Children's Education in Remote Areas. Journal of Educational Psychology, 22(1), 45-59.," n.d.). Parents who support their children at home by guiding their studies and helping them overcome academic difficulties, as well as communities that create shared learning spaces, have succeeded in having a positive influence on student achievement. In addition, community initiatives in providing transportation and training for parents prove that even though facilities and infrastructure are very limited, social support that comes from the surrounding environment can help reduce the negative impact of these limitations.

Overall, despite the challenges faced by students in remote areas, strengthening communities provides a great opportunity to create a conducive learning environment. With active involvement from parents and the community, students can gain higher motivation and the support needed to achieve optimal academic achievement. This shows that education is not only the school's responsibility, but is also a collective effort involving all elements of the community to advance the quality of education in remote areas.

The Role of Parents and the Social Environment

This article presents research findings that explore the role of the family and social environment in supporting student achievement in remote areas. In the face of limited access to education, families and local communities have a huge influence on student motivation and academic success. This research aims to understand the extent to which social support coming from the family and social environment can strengthen efforts to achieve academic achievement amidst limited resources. The findings of this research were obtained through interviews with parents, teachers and members of the local community, as well as

observations of patterns of family involvement in their children's education in remote areas (Adlini et al. 2022).

The results of interviews with parents and teachers show that families play a very important role in supporting their children's education in remote areas. One of the mothers interviewed revealed that even though they live in limited economic conditions, they always try to provide moral and material support for their children's education. Parents actively monitor their children's learning progress and help them with their school assignments. A teacher also confirmed that students who have parents involved in their educational process tend to show better achievements, even though they come from families with economic limitations (Assyakurrohim et al. 2023).

Direct observations in several students' homes in remote areas show that in many families, despite limited resources, parents still try to create a conducive learning environment. Some parents even take the initiative to invite their children to participate in learning activities together with neighboring children, which increases social interaction and knowledge sharing. Apart from that, community involvement has also been proven to support student education. In some areas, community groups regularly meet to discuss ways to help children learn and create an environment that supports their academic success. In some cases, neighbors also provide support by providing time to help students who need additional academic guidance (Darmalaksana 2020).

Data from interviews and observations show that the family and social environment play an important role in supporting student achievement, even amidst existing limitations. Parental involvement in their children's education, whether in the form of moral support, monitoring learning progress, or practical assistance in completing school assignments, has a major positive impact on students' academic achievement. Even though they face financial limitations, their efforts to create a good learning atmosphere at home and accompany their children in their studies have proven to help these children continue to excel (Fadli 2021).

Apart from that, support from the social environment such as neighbors and community groups also contributes to creating conditions that support education. Joint learning activities facilitated by the local community strengthen social relationships between students and create space for sharing knowledge. Overall, the role of the family and social environment proves that education is not only the school's responsibility, but is also a collective effort involving various parties around the student. With active involvement, students in remote areas can overcome existing challenges and achieve better achievements.

This research found that the use of learning technology in remote areas is very limited, but still shows great potential in helping students achieve better academic achievement. Even though remote geographical conditions and limited infrastructure are major obstacles, the use of technology can be an effective solution to overcome several existing challenges. The results of interviews with school principals and teachers show that technology has an important role in accessing broader and more up-to-date learning materials (Gumilang 2016). However, lack of access to technological devices and the internet limits the potential for optimal use of technology in learning. This shows that although technology can provide many benefits in supporting education, existing infrastructure challenges require more attention from various parties, including the government and educational institutions to ensure that technology can be accessed evenly across remote areas.

Based on the findings of interviews with teachers and school principals, there is a strong recognition of the importance of technology in providing greater opportunities for students in remote areas to access additional teaching and training materials. Even though schools in this area face limited equipment and facilities, teacher initiatives to utilize available technology—although limited—have been proven to have a positive impact on students' abilities. For example, even though the technology available in the school only consists of a few computers and very limited internet access, teachers use the time available to access online educational resources that can help students understand difficult learning concepts. These findings indicate that with adequate equipment and support, technology can serve as a powerful tool for bridging learning gaps in remote areas (Waruwu 2023).

Even though technology has great potential, limited infrastructure and access are the main obstacles. As revealed in interviews with school principals and teachers, although some schools in remote areas have attempted to use technology in learning, many factors limit its effectiveness. Limited hardware, unstable internet access, and lack of training for teachers in using technology effectively are the main problems (Assyakurrohim et al. 2023). Observation results show that students who try to access online learning materials often experience difficulties because existing devices are inadequate or cannot access resources quickly. This shows that in order for technology to provide maximum benefits in education in remote areas, attention to adequate infrastructure and training is very necessary.

The findings of this research also show that even though access to technology is limited, strengthening communities can be one solution to maximize the use of technology in learning (Gumilang 2016). Communities in remote areas have shown initiatives to support education, such as creating shared learning spaces or helping students access limited technology. Some communities hold group study sessions that utilize technological resources found in the homes of wealthier residents. This shows that, although limited infrastructure remains an obstacle, social support and strengthening communities can help expand access to technology for students. This initiative also shows how important the role of society is in overcoming existing educational problems, so that even though infrastructure is limited, students can still benefit from existing technology (Zaluchu 2021).

Overall, although there are limitations in the use of learning technology in remote areas, the findings of this research show that with adequate infrastructure support and community strengthening, technology can have a positive impact on student academic achievement. Although technological barriers remain, collaborative measures from governments, schools and local communities have great potential to reduce disparities in education access. Therefore, efforts to strengthen technological infrastructure in remote areas and provide appropriate training for teachers and local communities must be a priority so that the use of learning technology can run more effectively.

CONCLUSION

The conclusion of this research finding shows that although students in remote areas face limited access to education, various efforts can be made to overcome these challenges and produce outstanding students. The use of learning technology, although limited by infrastructure and access problems, is proven to have great potential in supporting increased academic achievement if supported

by adequate facilities and training for teachers. In addition, strengthening the community through the active participation of parents and local communities also plays an important role in creating a conducive learning environment, where limited resources can be overcome collectively. With greater attention from related parties, such as the government and educational institutions, the potential of technology and community strengthening can be utilized to reduce educational gaps and support students in remote areas to achieve optimal academic achievement.

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