Reflective Response - Graduation Transition


I believe there is truth in the scenario portrayed by the video “The State of Learning Today”. Technology is all around us and continues to expand in all aspects of our life. Some beneficial and useful to our learning and some that can be an obstacle or a distraction. When schools incorporate technologies such as presentations, slideshows, SmartBoards, etc., it creates a more exciting learning environment than simply scribbling text on a blackboard, taking notes or reading through pages and pages of textbooks. Having a more hands-on approach to learning is always easier to retain information. Programs such as word can make assignments and essays easier by typing instead of writing. Unfortunately technology is also abused. It is far too easy to get distracted by games, SnapChat, Facebook or Netflix while you are supposed to be browsing the internet and gathering information for a project or an assignment. This is where self-discipline needs to come in when you are on your own and strict rules enforced by the teacher when you are in the classroom.

A good teacher will set the rules and boundaries of technology used within the classroom. When a teacher is truly passionate about their job and enjoys teaching this will become evident in how they present a topic in an engaging and interesting way. Students will pick up on this enthusiasm and making learning fun is how we too can get excited about learning.

Good learning can only be achieved if you have the willingness to learn, can be open-minded and dedicated to your education and future. Half the battle is to be organized and know how to manage your time. Students have many things to juggle these days such as studies, work, sports and a social life. It all comes down to balance and priorities. Have a plan, be organized and work hard to achieve your goals.