



## **EFFSC STATEMENT ON THE CONDITIONAL ADOPTION OF E-LEARNING.**

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After assessing the proposed interventions that individual higher institutions of learning plan to use in rolling out e-learning, the Student vanguard movement though sensitive to the fact that these are unforeseen deviation strategies believe that most fall short on principle and other fundamentals, it is generally the reality that most institutions lacked consultation with relevant stakeholders. And consideration of the imminent systematic exclusion confronting the poor, because though academic exclusion policies can be relaxed in some institutions space & access will be affected should their Online Distance learning models be exclusive.

The CSCT took a decision to defend the poor, previously disadvantaged, vulnerable and marginalized students of South Africa and made specific demands to the DHET to ensure e-learning is rolled out and accepted only when it is inclusive and caters to the realities of an African child.

EFFSC will never allow Universities, the TVET sector and the state to get away with being heartless, neo-liberal, anti-black spaces that hate and ignore the poor. E-Learning will only be welcomed once we as the largest stakeholder of institutions of higher learning are satisfied that significant effort and progress thereof in accommodating all students has been made and that it heeds to ALL our demands. Failure to ensure that e-learning programs are inclusive, and responsive to the socio-economic realities of all students, EFFSC will consider any means necessary to stop its implementation. Central to our position is that we cannot allow e-learning without extensive consultation, provision of necessary devices and putting in place continuous ODL support structures.

Guided by our founding principles it must be noted that championing the interests of students and workers in institutions of higher learning. And promoting academic, research excellence and progress; remain part of our outmost responsibilities. Students will not be bullied by any institution into compromising their futures and alone being on the receiving of the greatest disadvantage because of this global pandemic. Any method, system and solution brought forward to salvage the academic year must be filtered through our nonnegotiable demands consistent with ensuring no student is left behind.

Let's continue to stay at home. Let's practice good and safe hygiene. Let's educate one another. Let's save lives. Together we shall overcome.

**No Retreat. No Surrender. Victory Is Certain. Hasta la Victoria Siempre.**



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