

SECTION : FEATURES



Aug 5 [UNESCO]: 6 Strategies To Instill Problem-Solving Skills In Students. Problem-solving is defined as the ability to quickly solve any given problem with ease. This requires convergent and divergent thinking skills. Convergent thinking is a process aimed to deduce a concrete solution to a problem. [LINK](#)



Aug 2 [Straits Times]: Online education start-up Unacademy value tops \$4.65b in Temasek-led funding round. BENGALURU (BLOOMBERG) - India's online education start-up Unacademy said its valuation reached US\$3.44 billion (S\$4.65 billion) in a funding round led by Temasek Holdings, a nearly 10-fold increase in the past year and a half as the coronavirus boosts demand for remote learning. [LINK](#)



Aug 2 [EduTopia]: Reimagining Alternative Education. Alternative education should be framed not as a last resort for 'bad' students but as a way to provide positive, intentional supports. [LINK](#)



Jul 31 [Straits Times]: Students prefer their teachers to counsellors for mental health support. SINGAPORE - Teens may prefer to speak to a familiar teacher about what is troubling them, rather than a counsellor they have little contact with, even though there is at least one in every school. [LINK](#)



Jul 31 [Straits Times]: MOE looking at buddy systems to help students cope with problems: Chan Chun Sing. SINGAPORE - A young person's peers offer understanding and support that the adults in their life may not be able to, so schools will work to set up systems in which every child would have a trusted buddy to go to, Education Minister Chan Chun Sing told eight teenagers at a dialogue on mental well-being on Friday night. [LINK](#)

SECTION : CORE EDUCATION



Aug 7 [Guardian]: Record A-level scores will mean fewer places in university clearing. Competition for places is expected to be fierce as teacher-assessed grades in the pandemic look likely to result in grade inflation. [LINK](#)



Aug 4 [Forbes]: For High Schools, Let's Preserve Variant Of Hybrid Learning After COVID. As school communities ponder what new COVID-induced practices they should maintain post-pandemic, high on the list should be a variant of hybrid learning for high schoolers. [LINK](#)



Jul 31 [Guardian]: A-level results: top universities expected to stick rigidly to offer grades. Tough competition for sixth-formers as universities try to avoid overcrowding – and next year may be no better. [LINK](#)



Jul 31 [Straits Times]: Parents in Malaysia wary of Covid-19 chaos as children prepare to return to school. KUALA LUMPUR - Malaysia's bid to reopen schools in stages from Sept 1 has been met with cautious optimism, as parents and teachers alike recall the chaos of Covid-19 spreading through schools when physical classes restarted in March, just as aggressive mutations of the virus were making landfall. [LINK](#)

SECTION : CURRICULUM



Aug 6 [Forbes]: Can Universal Curriculum Help Our Schools?. There are certain ideas that surface in the world of education, over and over and over again. One is the notion that a high quality curriculum shared across a large district, a state, or even a nation would somehow improve the quality of the education that students receive. [LINK](#)

SECTION : ED-TECH

Aug 6 [Manila Bulletin]: Education sector, hardest hit by ransomware in 2020. Sophos, a global leader in next-generation cybersecurity, recently published the “Sophos State of Ransomware in Education 2021,” which looks at the extent and impact of ransomware attacks on educational institutions worldwide during 2020. [LINK](#)



Aug 5 [UNESCO]: Microsoft and UK Government event seeks to transform education with data. Microsoft has joined the UK Government at a London event to work towards transforming education in lower-income countries. The business is aiming to help nations make better decisions using data gathered from Office 365 for Education. [LINK](#)



Aug 5 [BB News]: Isle of Wight schools hit by ransomware attack. Six schools have been hit by a cyber attack which is preventing staff from accessing their systems. Isle of Wight Education Federation said its IT systems were compromised last week by a ransomware attack which has encrypted its data. [LINK](#)



Aug 5 [Bloomberg]: General Atlantic Leads \$70 Million Round for Education Site. Crehana, an online learning platform that operates across Latin America, has raised \$70 million in a financing round led by General Atlantic. [LINK](#)



Aug 4 [UNESCO]: Edtech startup bina raises \$1.4M to teach 4- to 12-year-olds, launch School-as-a-Service. With the pandemic wreaking havoc amongst early years education amid school lockdowns, it's no wonder edtech startups have piled into the space. [LINK](#)



Aug 4 [Forbes]: Developing The Strategic Relationship Between The Telecommunications And Education Sectors. The digital society has arrived. The internet is now almost an essential utility, even more so now because it's shaping the development of future strategies on health, education, transport and business. [LINK](#)

SECTION : HIGHER EDUCATION

Aug 6 [The Star]: Higher education's high hopes. PETALING JAYA: The higher education sector is hoping that its reopening will be expedited with the start of walk-in vaccinations for those aged 18 and above. [LINK](#)



Aug 6 [Straits Times]: Schools, polytechnics and ITE started fast and easy Covid-19 testing in July: MOE. SINGAPORE - Staff working at schools, polytechnics and the Institute of Technical Education (ITE) have had to do fast and easy testing (FET) for Covid-19, swabbing themselves since mid-July, while autonomous universities here will start testing when term resumes this month and next. [LINK](#)



Aug 6 [Straits Times]: MOE to resume selected activities in schools, higher learning institutes from Aug 10. SINGAPORE - The Ministry of Education (MOE) will resume selected activities in schools and higher learning institutes (IHLs) from Tuesday (Aug 10), as the nation makes the transition to Covid-19 as endemic and safe management measures are gradually eased. their systems. [LINK](#)



Aug 6 [Manila Bulletin]: CHED, US Embassy webinar promotes cyber education in PH universities & colleges. The United States Embassy in the Philippines has engaged at least 140 officials from the Commission on Higher Education (CHED), universities, and colleges for a four-day workshop on building an interdisciplinary approach to cyber education. [LINK](#)



2021 [GUARDIAN]: The best UK universities 2021. League table. [LINK](#)

SECTION : LIFELONG LEARNING

Aug 2 [Forbes]: 3 Ways Entrepreneurs Can Make Learning A Lifelong Endeavor. For all the intrepid entrepreneurs of the 21st century, learning is a continual process that certainly doesn't stop with traditional schooling. . [LINK](#)