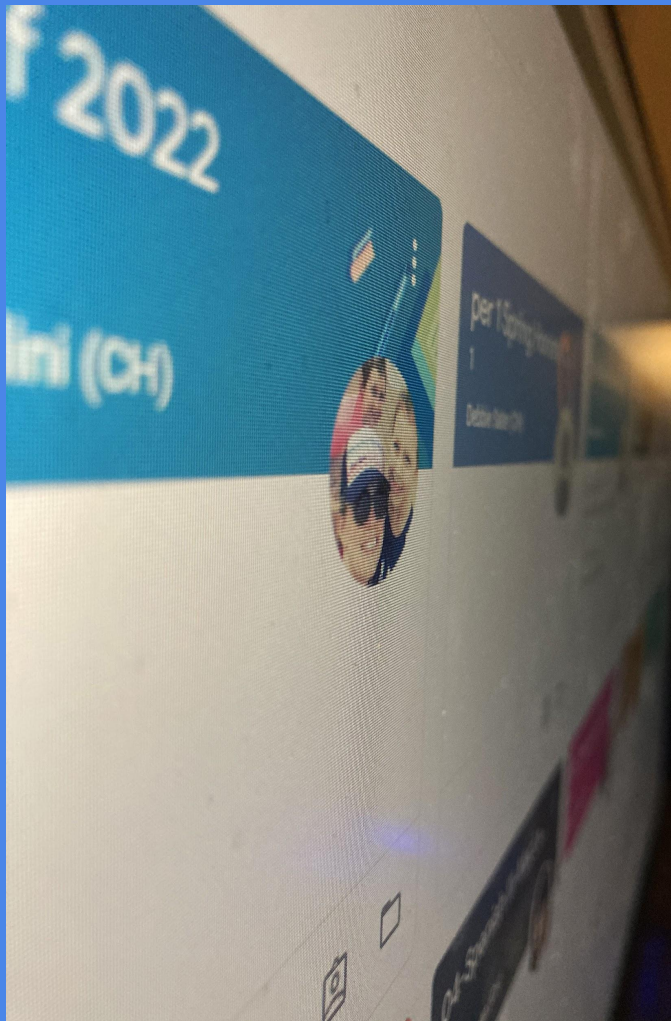# The Pandemic and Home Life

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The pandemic and subsequent shelter-in-place orders confined people to their homes.

One of the most major differences about home life during the pandemic as opposed to during it was school. Due to in person schooling being unsafe, education had to move to an online setting, utilizing programs such as Google Classroom.

Being stuck at home led to a meteoric rise in the use of video streaming services such as Netflix and Amazon Prime Video.

The lack of ability to communicate with others in person and the increased difficulty in maintaining an active lifestyle led to video games becoming even more popular.

With many people's lives suddenly becoming much more mundane, the pursuit of hobbies became greater. Cooking, collecting, and music were very popular, to name a few.

Being stuck at home forever can be depressing, but going out during the pandemic had it's rules. Wearing masks is an example, and people amassed large collections of them, cluttering up their homes and serving s a remind of the crisis.