ACCEPTING THE CHALLENGE OF CHANGE

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How social media and internet influence students nowadays? Tough questions which we can no longer get into it unless we are ready in the process of change. There are some factors which teachers/educators who aim at changing for a directed goal should consider. These are his needs and limitations, requirements of the task and the socio-cultural environment in which he is part.

Seminars are given a close priority on how can we use advanced technology, in-service training and workshops, LAC sessions or any forms of staff development. Services will be useless, only when teachers and administrators realize that they have to make a decision on what to do, what to change when to change, how to change, that change would be meaningful, effective, functional and production oriented.

Viewed along the line a teacher must then be aware of the requirements of his task, the teachers reshapes his personality every now and then … through updated readings participation in conferences and seminars which are pertinent to his professional needs. Although man is unique a proper sense of values tends to give perspective and direction to one’s life and uniqueness at all times particularly in times of stress and strain and decision making.

The needs are tapped to be reflected in the performance of his duties, yet his responsibilities and function shall not be sacrificed. While in the system he participates as the mechanic who is responsible in molding the “piece of clay” and at times trying to soften what has hardened along the way.
The mission is clear; professional growth of teachers and administrators for instituting the new K-12 Curriculum. Teachers must feel the heartthrob of the society and weed out the cultural barriers by tapping the sentiments and feeling of the new generations. Let us embrace the challenge of change which I wish to introduce, “COMMITMENT”. As James Allan says: “Man is mind and evermore. He takes the tool of thought and shaping what he wills. Brings forth in secret and it comes to pass, Environment is but his looking glass”

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