ASSIGNMENT DONE! HOME WORK NEXT...

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DepEd Memorandum No. 392, “Guidelines on Giving Homework or Assignments to All Public Elementary School Pupils” mandates all teachers to minimize the giving of homework/assignments (at least) “to a reasonable quantity to give their pupils ample time to rest and relax at home for the rest of the day.”

Contrary to the practice during our time, teachers give assignments to serve as reinforcement of the discussed lessons. However, it was perceived differently in the current time.

As explained, it was implemented in order for the children to have more time with their family. As what most researches state, family is a vital unit in the society.

Nevertheless, it also reminds us of the importance of parents’ involvement and engagement in the holistic development of children.

This no assignment policy actually calls for us to do our assignment. Instead of feeling bad, let’s contemplate. We discovered that it has loopholes, thus, let’s just find solutions. Anyway, any policy has its advantages and disadvantages. As one of the people highly affected, we better stop complaining and just do our job: teach.

Truly, assignment is a way for pupils to learn independently. It also serves as an avenue for them to have a sense of responsibility. But then, it is also true that children nowadays also lack quality time with their family due to numerous school works and others.
Teachers are good followers, we’ll certainly obey. No question about that. Still, I just hope that we’ll not be doing this alone. May the parents be there to help this work. May this policy be able to achieve its purpose of building stronger ties and quality relationship among family members to help our youth attain a brighter future.

Certainly, in school, we are one family. We treat and consider our pupils as our own. Yet, there are still things that only “home” can provide.

We, teachers do and perform our assignments. We just hope those at home could also do theirs.

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