BRIGADA ESKWELA: THE POWERHOUSE TO SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT

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Brigada eskwela is a nationwide campaign and one of the initiatives of the DepEd relative to RA 8525 also known as Adopt-A-School in 1998, to maintain the improvement and cleanliness of the school and intends to set the school ready before the opening of classes in June. In Brigada, bayanihan is very much alive through helping hands, and voluntary commitment to serve and improve the quality of education. In this year’s theme, “Pagkakaisa para sa Handa, Ligtas, at Matatag na Paaralan Tungo sa Magandang Kinabukasan” is the essence of cooperation to prepare the school’s establishment.

The school is the mirror of the community, how well the school is, reflects the kind of community living in. During the brigada period, the school invites different stakeholders to join forces in a week long brigada eskwela emersion activity to offer services such as cleaning the school surroundings, repairing, painting, grass cutting, tree pruning and other maintenance or labor for free.

This spirit of volunteerism has created a deeper awareness in both public and private stakeholders. They play an important role in the preparation of the school whereas everyone is encouraged to offer in kind donations instead of cash.

The school may also accept donations that may include construction materials such as hollow blocks, cement, paint, and tools for the repair of schools through the Adopt-a-School program. DepEd also added that school supplies for learners, teachers, and health and hygiene kits may also be donated. It is also added that seminars and other
services that may be offer that could extend help to the parents and pupils as well is now acknowledged.

The Brigada Eskwela initiative has proven to be of great help in generating public support to improve the school inside and outside not only physically but also develops moral righteousness among people. The essence of humanity and unconditional efforts offered is priceless whether in kind or in cash as to recognize.

The efforts are somewhat amazing looking back before and after the end result of the response joint forces and participation rendered by the volunteers.

The atmosphere of volunteerism present during the Brigada Eskwela is truly commendable, empowering the mechanism of camaraderie, hard work, trust, respect, unity, cooperation, determination, leadership, charitable, cooperativeness, willingness and dedication to offer the school and the learners alike is the powerhouse developed during brigada week.

This nationwide campaign is a benchmark effort as a response to the needs of the public schools in generating funds that could help in the improvement of the school to offer quality education among public schools as the children, the parents and the community, being the recipient of the development of the school to provide a school atmosphere conducive to learning.

In hereof, the DedEd is radically campaigning continuously to all the stakeholders both private and public for a continuous support to attend on the Brigada Eskwela Campaign year-round to extend unconditional efforts to sustain and maintain the improvements of the public school.

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