FACING CHALLENGES AMONG DEPED OFFICE STAFF IN TIMES OF PANDEMIC

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Working as a team in the office nowadays is not as easy as exerting needed effort before the spread COVID-19 worldwide.

Locally, being part of the financial planning group in the school, Administrative Assistants and Administrative Officers with the supervision of the school head became a complicated undertaking more specifically when it comes to the schedule of work arrangement.

Further so, many businesses suffered from recession which results to the closure of establishments. This is eventually the reflection of the worsening and more chaotic scenario not only locally but globally. Citing this perspective will give us a clearer and more distinctive view on its domino effect as we discuss the complications among the administrative office personnel.

One integral role of financial team is to prepare the Working and Financial Plan of the school. The WFP serves as the guide in paying the materials and sets of equipment for sports and other academic and scholastic activities, program of works, seminars to be attended by members, and other matters that have something to do with the financial outlay.

The department proposed the skeletal work force as one solution to one of the emerging challenges brought by the pandemic. This arrangement limits the number of employees’ physical attendance to at least neutralize the spread of the disease. This supports the department in following the government’s safety protocols.
Another solution is the online meeting using applications offered by the social media as part of their platforms. Installing the software such as Zoom and Google Meeting using the smart phones, laptops or desktops is a mundane task. However, experts say that some of the platforms are not safe due to security issues. This brings another challenge when it comes to online meetups.

Whatever difficulties an organization may face, what matters most is the cooperation of every member in facing the challenges in their workplace by adhering to the directives of the higher authorities set by the Inter-Agency Task Force as a whole, too.

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