GRADE 12 COMPLETERS: ITS IMPLICATION TO THE ECONOMIC STATUS OF THE PHILIPPINES

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Economic status of the Philippines in its real perspective, falls below the economic standard of the world. Bigger percentage belongs to “struggling for a decent life”.

In order to at least lessen the percentage, the Philippine government through the Department of Education, adopted the k-12 program in 2012.

Even though our country is second to the last implementer of the program, still, it is not too late instead this is the right time to continue implementing the said program.

This school year we will be having our Grade 12 completers. As one of the k-12 advocates, firmly believes that we have a truly skilled graduates. Ready to land for skilled jobs. Ready to uplift the way of living. As a result, the effort of each and everyone will not be put in vain. Instead, we will still work hard for the improvement of this curriculum.

The implementation of Grade 12 is seen as the culmination of the shift from the 10-year basic education program to the 13-year K-12, which includes kindergarten, six years in elementary, four years in junior high school and two years in senior high school.

The program is the centerpiece of the education reform agenda of the previous administration.
Upon assuming her post, Briones pledged to continue the program, citing Republic Act 10533 or the Basic Education Act that mandated the full implementation of K-12.

DepEd Undersecretary for curriculum Dina Ocampo said they are in the process of enhancing and strengthening the curriculum for K-12.

Secretary Briones (DepEd Central Office, 2017) mentioned that K to 12 is not only for our regional friends or for our international neighbor or for the global community, she said that we are doing this for ourselves.

The secretary maintained that the implementation of K to 12 is not propelled only on the advice of the international community nor as required by the ASEAN, but because the Filipinos should realize the rich advantage of the new curriculum in making the youth more productive and competitive, not only overseas but more so in their country.

The K to 12 is the innovative curriculum of DepEd which covers Kindergarten and 12 years of basic education. The program aims to provide sufficient time for mastery of concepts and skills, develop life-long learners and prepare graduates for tertiary education, middle-level skills development, employment, and entrepreneurship.

Grade 12 completers, for sure, will be one of the answers the country is aiming for when it comes to the economic journey of the country. So why hold back when we know that every Filipino family will be benefited by the program.
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