PARENT AND TEACHER COOPERATION FOR A BETTER EDUCATION

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The school, being considered as a student’s second home and their teacher as second father or mother is an old adage that stood the test of time. The collaborative partnership of teachers and parents is the enduring bond that brings the best for the education of our children. It is an all-encompassing partnership regardless of the social or financial status, gender or religion of everyone involved and no one is left behind.

The “Brigada Eskwela” also known as National Schools Maintenance Week is the best example where we can see the cooperation between the parents and teachers along with other volunteers from other sectors with similar advocacy. This week-long program teaches the students the value of civic action and social responsibility and on the part of the parents and teachers, bring about and develop cooperation thru a concerted effort for a noble cause. This program has saved billions of pesos in man hours and donations thru voluntary work and material contribution. Thru the years, the program has evolved to a more festive event involving not only the parents and teachers but also members of the local government, and other civic organizations.

Partnership between the school and family is an evolving process. Domestic problems such as financial insufficiency and broken bonds between parents are perennial difficulties found in many families. However, in the advent of modern means of communication thru social media and the availability of online games, new types of problems arise. Misuse of these modern amenities is the common cause of disagreement in the family nowadays. Parents, being the main contributors to the developmental stage
of children must observe strict adherence to discipline. They must see to it that their children are observing correct use of their time. They must limit the amount of time that their children are spending online. Teachers on their part must educate the students on the best way to harness the educational value that they can get from being online.

A parent-teacher association/organization (PTA/PTO) or parent-teacher-student association (PTSA) is a formal organization composed of parents, teachers and staff that is intended to facilitate parental participation in a school.

It is also the vehicle that gives an opportunity for parents to see the progress of their children in school. The PTA also enhances communication thru a direct discussion as to the best educational influence they could impose on a student. Collaboration between the parents and teachers bring tangible benefits. "It is not so important for a man to know a lot, but to know well, not to memorize things, but to understand them, not to care a little, but to be really committed, to have a passion." Janusz Korczak.

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