TEACHERS DIGITAL LITERACY

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Knowing and proficiently enough on the importance of Digital / ICT in the field of teaching helps a lot in delivering and uplifting the Digital / ICT literacy in education in this time of new normal.

Today, education specially teachers play an important role in continuing the academic year and the learning process. Teacher must able to embrace the change in educational set-up today. They must have appropriate knowledge in computer or digital literacy in order to transfer learning effectively.

Based on DO 37, S. 1997, the teaching force must have computer skills and expected to give strength on teaching-learning processes in the schools by the use of their computer/digital literacy skills. Teacher must also have computer background especially in word processing, spreadsheets, and different educational applications. If the Teacher especially new applicants with no computer background must have a short course on computer literacy before he/she will be accepted for teaching on public school.

On that manner, teacher who enter public schools are well equipped and knowledgeable enough in coping the changes of our educational set-up which ICT plays an important role in delivering and continuing learning. Teachers are always ready and skilled in different aspect that may educational changes may bring especially in this time of COVID-19 Pandemic.

In addition, The Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT) also support teachers in order to explores the potential and role of Information and Communications Technology (ICT) in transitioning the nation to the ‘new normal.
The Department also create and coordinate online activities with useful discussions and trainings on topics that may able to help and lessen the burdens in the educational sectors special us-teachers.

As part of the Department of Education, ICT plays an important role for us teachers. On that reason, we as a teacher, must be a computer and digitally literate. Teachers must able to assist and utilize ICT in adapting to all these changes for our learners. We must continue to learn and explore various ICT opportunities. As part of education entities, we must also find different resources that may develop our digital literacy. We may able to adapt the different ways of learning and working while keeping ourselves and our families safe in this time of pandemic.

We must better understand the importance of digital and computer literacy in this time of online educational activities that may help us in coping and adapting the changes because of the pandemic. It is not the time for our sentiments we experiencing as a teacher but it is the time for us to strive, help others specially our co-teachers and to unite as one for our learners and their parents.

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