THE BANDWAGON

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Election Day is fast approaching. DepEd personnel can feel the rush of the season since majority of us will be part of COMELEC’s Board of Election Inspectors. Just like in previous elections, Election Day has become quite a fun fare for all of us. A special non-working holiday where we could earn few extra cash in exchange of hand toil during election, and where family reunions often occur. 2016 Elections, however, is a bit special because the nation is about to choose the next President of the Republic of the Philippines and it seems that everyone is giving opinions and fearless forecasts on what’s to come. But that’s just the icing on the cake. What took the cherry on top is the battle between supporters which has taken the internet by storm.

Social media has been one of the biggest battle ground for the campaign. Netizens share their opinions and stories about their bets online. Every posts, comments, likes are often source of reactions, be that of joy, sadness or even anger. Tirades and memes has been the favorite topic for all. In an instant, an internet user has become political analyst, judge of character, and sometimes, lawyer defending their candidate. Everywhere you browse it oozes with election-related ads, news stories, pictures and videos. The most watched videos, probably, are the debates. It sure has provided the voters an entertainment that could last for six years.

All these craze could only cause the Philippines so much. It could either break us or make us. Who knows?! One can only hope that people learn something from all these campaign fuss. At the end of the day, what matters is that Filipinos have food, peace, love and harmony. Cast your vote wisely. Open your heart and mind when filling up the ballots. Consider yourself, your loved ones’ future and even your career before shading your choice. Don’t just jump on the bandwagon. Vote for whom you truly believe in.

God bless the next six years… God bless the Philippines.