THE TEACHING PROFESSION AS A DYNAMIC MULTIFACETED CAREER

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Multitasking is not a new concept for teachers. If there is a superhero to describe a teacher, Superman and Wonder Woman would best fit in this time of pandemic. This time of the pandemic teacher’s skills to do multitasking is evident and proven to be efficient and effective. Their ability to do beyond their job requirements is truly remarkable.

Teachers deeply think of how to help their learners learn the skills they ought to learn. Every single day teacher plans intensively how to differentiate their lessons to best suit their clientele, not to mention the extra work they need to do in accomplishing this task. During the lesson, teachers will observe their students if they can do task’s requirements in the lesson. If they do, think of more complex activities to hone the learner’s ability, and if they don’t, then remediation will take place to help the learner cope up with the lesson. After each lesson evaluation and reflection on the part of the teacher is always evident. Teachers can also supervise their learners and at the same evaluating pupil’s performance in class, then they will record their observations and what possible recommendations will be needed to help their learner succeed in the lesson.

The teacher is not just a teacher in school. They can be a guidance counselor to their students needed attention and lack parental advice at home. They serve as a mother and a father to their learner who does not feel loved by their parents. Furthermore, they are also a nurse and caregiver, especially those who are teaching at primary level, who need more attention and supervision. Other tasks are also entrusted in the teachers’ hands, like monitoring the health and safety of each student, also providing leaner’s extra care and intention for their educational success and fulfillment.
Teachers’ jobs never finish at school, aside from attending to their family’s needs, they also bring some unfinished work at home. While cooking food, they also attend to their children's homework and at the same time doing their lesson plan and enrichment activities for their students.

Although there are no face-to-face classes and blended learning is enjoyed this year. Teachers’ job is not diminishing in fact, it’s expanding. Teachers’ may not be observing their learners at school, but they’re continuously monitoring them in various ways, like text messaging, group chat, and sometimes through a video call. This is to ensure that their learners understand the lessons. At the primary level, teachers also open their communication with students’ parent(s), to guide and help them in teaching their children. What a job! The teacher’s multitasking ability is commendable.

Truly, a teacher is like Superman and Wonder Woman. They can do the requirements of their job, accept the challenge of the new working scheme because of this pandemic, and more importantly attend to their family’s needs. You are a great example of a hard-working and multitasking person, a “Superhero” indeed.

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