TVL TRACK: THE RISING STAR OF SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

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The area of Technical, Vocational and Livelihood Education in high schools and even in higher education has been neglected over the years, with other popular courses such as engineering, information technology, and nursing eclipsing techvoc as a choice of course among students. A lot of young people today see technical and vocational education as a menial course and is reserved only for academically problematic students. In college, the continual decrease of enrollment for technical and vocational technology programs exacerbated this image for TVL. Many dismissed this program as for those who have really no other choice for an academic program.

But as they always say, the last laugh is ours. Technical, vocational and livelihood (TVL) training has slowly been rising as the star of Senior High School.

When the new Senior High has been implemented, TVL has become one of the most popular tracks among the SHS tracks offered in many secondary schools in the country today. Millions of students all over the country are choosing TVL track because of its promise of job opportunities right after graduation without even going to college. SHS graduates are now possible to be hired because of the design of the new curriculum. TVL graduates are among the luckiest because industries for them are readily available. Armed with national certifications from Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA), SHS graduates have greater chances of getting into employment. Technical and vocational jobs in the country and even abroad do not require a four-year degree program before getting an employment. A trade skill certification is already enough. TESDA’s National Certificates (NCs) are internationally recognized and
accepted in many countries. The NCs are passport to a golden future for our young people who successfully finish SHS under TVL track.

TVL should be made a star among the many tracks because this is the fastest route towards employment. In a country of people who are in great need of employment for sustenance and economic support, the TVL program is a practical choice for our young people. Taking on the path of TVL is fast and promises also fast return of investment. Gone are the days when students need to wait after they are 18 to gain employment. The senior high school is strategically designed to catapult them for employment after senior high school there is no need for many of our young people to go through another four years in college just to get a college degree and take on the greener pasture. The TVL can provide the green pasture for a quicker time, at a practical cost to the students and their families.

The Filipino TechVoc graduate is recognized in the world as skilled and qualified. It is not impossible to conquer the universe like a bright shining star by entering the TVL track of senior high school. TVL is the rising star of the K to 12 system. Students, it is time to reach for your stars!

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