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PRESS RELEASE Briones lauds LGUs, stakeholders in parent academy initiatives

June 1, 2021 — Education Secretary Leonor Magtolis Briones commended the efforts of local government units (LGU), Parents-Teachers Association (PTA), and other stakeholders for guiding and supporting parents and families in the blending learning setup of their children.

During the Educating our Children in the New Normal Webinar organized by CenSEI last May 21, 2021, Secretary Briones acknowledged the different interventions of stakeholders to capacitate guardians of learners.

"Isa itong feature ng ating bagong pamamaraan na lumawak ang papel ng mga magulang. Dahil ang mga bata spend in great deal of time at home at saka kailangan makatulong sila sa pag-monitor. So, may mga parent academies tayo na sini-set up at saka hindi lamang sa mga lugar na ito — may urban, may island, may city kung saan talaga tinuturuan ang parents," Sec. Briones said.

Briones mentioned the Nanay-Teacher Enhancement Program (NTEP) initiative of the LGU of Valenzuela City, which educates parents on approaches to guide their children in studying. In addition, NTEP organizes virtual meetings and Kamustahan group discussions to discuss the difficulties parents are facing and how they can overcome them.

Similarly, there is also a Parents Academy launched by Parent-Teacher Association (PTA) in CAR. Apart from parents, the Academy is also open to anyone who is part of the learning process of learners at home.

In Jose Panganiban, Camarines Norte, Parent Group Circles (PGC) have been established in Parang Elementary School to cascade information and instruction to parents. The school also trained parents to ensure their children would become strong readers.

The education chief noted that these projects supplement the initiatives of the Department in the implementation of Basic Education-Learning Continuity Plan (BE-LCP).

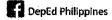
"These are the things that we are already doing and encouraging. Itong mga programs na ito are places where they can coach each other and learn from each other," Sec. Briones remarked.

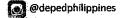
Secretary Briones was joined by Atty. Joseph Estrada of the Coordinating Council of Private Educational Associations of the Philippines (COCOPEA), Secretary Proposero de Vera III of the Commission on Higher Education (CHED), Dr. Chito Salazar of Philippine Investment Management and Consultants, Inc (PHINMA) Education, and Ms. Clarissa Segismundo the Microsoft Philippines, Inc. as panelists for the forum.

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BRIONES LAUDS LGUS, STAKEHOLDERS IN PARENT ACADEMY INITIATIVES

Education Secretary Leonor Magtolis Briones commended the efforts of LGUs, PTAs, and other stakeholders for guiding and supporting parents and families in the blending learning setup of their children.

Briones mentioned projects such as the Nanay-Teacher Enhancement Program (NTEP) in Valenzuela City, Parents Academy in CAR, and the Parent Group Circles (PGC) in Camarines Norte, which supplement the learning continuity initiatives of the Department.

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