

PARENTS' RESPONSIBILITIES IN SCHOOL ON NEW NORMAL EDUCATION

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Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the educational system changed to accommodate the current crisis.

Despite the pandemic, education must continue. In response to the restrictions and physical limitations, the Department of Education implemented the Online and Modular Learning Modality in which students will not be going to schools, hence, will continue their studies at home. In this setting, without a doubt, the parents will have to be involved with their children's studies.

Teachers are students' secondary parents. In this case nowadays, the parents are the children's secondary teachers. What are the responsibilities of parents in this new normal education setting?

Firstly, parents are responsible for collecting the modules that the students will use and answer. They will also be the ones to return the answered modules given the allotted time. Parents are also responsible for providing technological support for students who chose the Online Learning Modality, as it is the basic need for a student in this chosen modality.

Parents will also be the ones responsible for guiding the students with their modules. They need to communicate with the teachers and advisers through Messenger Group Chats in case queries arise, and it will be the teachers' responsibilities in return to provide the necessary explanations and guidance.

Parents are also responsible for monitoring the student's progress. Before returning the answered modules, parents will sometimes have to check the modules themselves. In this way, parents will be able to keep track of the student's learning of the subject. It is also the parents' responsibility to check if the student finished answering the modules or for missing activities before they pass it to the advisers.

Now that the return of face-to-face classes are slowly being implemented across the country, the parents have another responsibility. They are responsible to teaching their children to obey the health protocols at school, to maintain social distancing, the constant wearing of facemasks, the use of alcohol and hand sanitizers, and proper washing of hands. The parents are responsible for instilling discipline to the students at home so that they will continue said discipline on school grounds.

Both teachers and parents have different yet similar responsibilities to our students, and it is to the utmost importance that every responsibility we have to the students will be kept.

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