

SEMINARS HERE AND BEYOND [WHY ARE SEMINARS IMPORTANT FOR TEACHERS?]

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Seminars have been vital part of the teaching learning process. The moment you start teaching, teachers are encouraged to attend trainings. As early as Student Teaching days, we attend conferences to improve our craft. Teachers of all ages join confabs.

Trainings and sessions are being held as often as possible. They also come in different levels. We have the school-based seminar or what they call the LAC (learning action cells) session, district-wide, division-wide, regional, national and international conferences These are all done, year-round.

Department of Education (DepEd) and Commission Higher Education (CHED) conduct always come up with different symposia to equip the teachers with skills they need. After attending, attendees receive certificate of attendance.

However, aside from the certificates, what do we really gain from attending seminars?

Seminars provide us with skills we need.

In this fast-paced environment, everything is changing. Anything can happen in a snap. Some skills may be phased out, while some may be introduced. New trends in teaching may arise. To provide teachers skills in these advancements, teachers are encouraged to attend confab. In doing so, their knowledge is updated, which we can use in teaching.

Seminars prepare teachers for globalization

With the implementation of K to 12 Curriculum, we are gearing up towards globalization. We are heading to be globally competitive. Due to this, DepEd acquaint the teachers with new Information and Communication Technology (ICT) concepts, new methods and techniques. These skills get us ready for digitization and globalization. By attending seminars, teachers are honed towards being globally competitive.

Seminars fill the well of knowledge.

Attending seminars widens our horizon. It also refreshes our ideas. It fills the well of knowledge. As people always say, once a teacher, always a learner. We have to cope with the demands of this ever changing world. Attending seminars is our way to fill our brains with knowledge.

Seminars are great part of the teaching- learning process. We just have to appreciate and enjoy the benefits these conferences provide us.

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