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The school must remain steadfast in its commitment to deliver a quality education among its clientele. It must be responsive to whatever initiatives the Department of Education is implementing. The formulation of policies and programs gives emphasis on bold solutions that will surely opens new doors of opportunities to recover many gaps and losses when it comes to learning.

The implementation of Catch-up Fridays which is anchored on the MATATAG Education Agenda is one way of recuperating the state of education we have nowadays. This is a learning intervention program that will provide probabilities to enhance learners' academic performance including their reading proficiency level. It will help improve learners' reading fluency, comprehension and vocabulary.

Half of every Friday will be allotted to reading and the other half to values, peace and health education. This will provide interventions as well as enhancements. Teachers will be designing a pedagogical framework through teaching guides to optimize instruction and be able to transform learning outcomes. They will also use appropriate and targeted activities that vary according to learners' capabilities. Home-based reading is also encouraged when Friday happens to be a holiday. They will provide a range of ready-made resources such as worksheets and reading materials for learners. This guarantees the continuity of the program even at the comfort of children's homes; thus, learning is certain.

For the sustainability of the program, monitoring and evaluation must be done. An actionable roadmap is necessary in detailing the related measures and activities that

drive results. Stakeholders' engagement must be encouraged to support and guarantee the effective implementation of the program.

The initiative on Catch-up Fridays is a beacon of hope and innovation towards the realm of literacy. This radical change is a significant step to bridge learning gaps. This program helps learners improve their reading comprehension, critical thinking, and self-expression. Reading session like this, is an effective instrument in promoting love of reading. This will definitely set Fridays as awaiting and exciting days for the learners, thus, learning will be reinforced and enhanced.

TGIF, Thank God it's Friday, cliché as it may seems and may signifies the end, but for people in the educational institutions, means Thank God it's Catch-up Friday, the beginning of a wonderful journey towards the attainment of quality learning and the end of illiteracy.