



Republic of the Philippines Department of Education

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MESSAGE

My warmest greetings to the school officials, administrators, faculty members and advisers, teachers, parents, and guardians of the graduates and completers of School Year 2021-2022!

On behalf of the Department of Education (DepEd), I am proud to celebrate the successes, milestones, and achievements of this batch's graduates and promoted students in this year's End-of-School-Year rites with the theme "K to 12 Graduates: Pursuing Dreams and Fostering Resilience in the Face of Adversity."

In the past six years, we committed to our mandate to enhance the quality of education, broaden its access, and ensure its relevance in the rapidly changing world.

DepEd endeavored to address each challenge by instituting programs and reforms in the Department. We have fully implemented the K to 12 curriculum and the aggressive reforms of *Sulong EduKalidad* to produce globally competitive learners and teachers. We also expanded our mission for accessible education by strengthening the Alternative Learning System (ALS) and the Last Mile Schools programs to reach more Filipinos. Likewise, we also established the National Academy of Sports (NAS) and Education Futures Unit to create more opportunities for our learners and anticipate the future of the education system in the country.

Committed to sustaining this momentum, the Department developed and implemented the Basic Education-Learning Continuity Program (BE-LCP), where we offered various learning modalities and produced award-winning initiatives such as the DepEd TV and DepEd Commons at the height of the pandemic. Eventually, the Department held its ground against an unprecedented challenge in basic education as we progressively expand the reintroduction of face-to-face classes in the country.

Indeed, education is truly a shared responsibility. This is why we express our utmost appreciation to our dear parents and teachers for being our partners in nurturing the youth throughout the years.

To the Class of 2022, resilience is in your blood. You have survived one of the toughest times in human history, yet still embraced education as your primary tool to success. I believe that with your passion and purpose, you can reach your dreams and change the world.

May you keep on harnessing and imparting wisdom as together, we will build a nation of competent global citizens and future leaders.

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Secretary

