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Step up to Gear up: Back-to-School Tips for Educators

After the summer break, going back to school can be thrilling, stressful, and hectic for educators. For some, summer break is a time for recreation and refreshment, but for most teachers, this time off is spent in preparing for the school opening, in searching for ways to enhance the class for the coming year or in strategizing practices or routines in order to achieve better output from class. If you are facing this cycle as a teacher, here are some tips that will help you transition back to school quickly and effectively.

Reflect on the Past

It is essential as educators, to constantly look for new approaches and ideas to apply to your classroom. You should take on new methods with an understanding that sometimes it works, sometimes it needs modification and sometimes it will need to be tossed away altogether. You must allow experiences, both good and bad, to guide your overall approach to teaching.

Set Goals

You should have a set of expectations or objectives for your students

to achieve. You should also have a list of private objectives to enhance your particular regions of weakness. It will give you something to work towards having goals of any kind. Setting objectives together with your learners is also fine. Having a shared set of goals will push both you and your students to work harder to obtain those goals.

Be Prepared

A successful school year starts with preparation as being ready is the most vital aspect in teaching. An educator's working day doesn't start in 8:00 a.m. and ends in 5:00 p.m. like how other professions' day usually goes. To be effective, it takes a whole lot of extra time and preparation in the part of the teachers. It is a known fact that the students' first day of school is never the same for the teachers. Because if an educator waits until the last minute to get everything prepared, he or she is just setting himself/herself for a rough school year. Prepare your classroom and instructional materials ahead of time to prevent hassle on the first day of class.

Set the Tone

You should grab the opportunity to establish a good rapport with your students in the first days of a school year. It is important that you gracefully show your students who's in charge, or else gaining the classes' respect as an authoritarian is almost impossible when it's too late. Start out as a classroom disciplinarian and then you can ease off as you go throughout the school year. Setting up a good standing as a teacher will help the students learn in a long run.

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CEM's New Acting President

The CEM Board of Trustees has appointed a new acting president for the organization in the person of Ms. Esperanza C. Buen, effective June 1, 2019.

Mrs. Buen or Ma'am Espie, as her CEM colleagues fondly called her, has been with CEM all throughout its journey since 1978 and even before CEM's spinoff from its mother company, FAPE. She has served CEM in various capacities, the latest of which was her post as Vice President for Operations, prior to her retirement in 2008. She has since then joined the Board as a Corporator.

Ma'am Espie succeeds Dr. Maria Cynthia A. Alcantara, when the latter's term as CEM's 4th president concluded on May 31, 2019.



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CEM at 2019 St. Paul Chartres (SPC) Educators Congress

CEM, through its Client Relations Team, joined the SPC community as Exhibitor for the 2019 St. Paul Chartres (SPC) Educators Congress held at St. Paul College Pasig on May 16 to 18, 2019. This event focused on "Mainstreaming Interculturality in Paulinian Education: Solidarity Begins where Individualism Ends." and was attended by about 600 participants who were mostly administrators, principals, academic chairs and coordinators from 38 SPC schools nationwide.



CEM Client Relations Team with its head, Mr. Melchor M. Cuenco, manning the booth during the 2019 St. Paul Chartres (SPC) Educators Congress.

CEM Sponsorship in PEAC Summer INSET for Junior and Senior High School Teachers

CEM was present at PEAC's 2019 Summer In-service Training as Exhibitor/Sponsor. This activity was intended for JHS teachers to supplement their knowledge and skills on "Designing, Assessing and Facilitating Learning of the K-12 Standards with 21st Century Pedagogies" and for SHS teachers to understand the role of SHS core subjects in the learners' preparation for the four (4) exits of the K to 12 Curriculum. CEM's Client Relations Team was present in the Manila leg of the INSET on June 3 to 9, 2019 at St. Paul University Manila.

CEM is keen on supporting such initiatives as part of its continuing efforts to help improve the quality of Philippine education.



CEM Client Relations team manning the CEM booth during PEAC's INSET.

CEM School Leaders' Seminar Series

CEM recently rolled out its new professional development program series designed specifically for school administrators. This program kicked off with an invitational seminar-workshop on Change Management: The Proactive School Leader held on June 25, 2019 at Hotel Benilde Maison De La Salle, Arellano corner Estrada Streets, Malate, Manila. This was participated by 29 administrators of various CEM member schools from Metro Manila and nearby provinces.

Session 1: Instructional Leadership: Leading the 21st century schools was facilitated by Dr. Anne Marie R. Ramos. She emphasized the important roles of school administrators in leading and managing change in 21st century schools and covered topics on (1) The 21st Century School Leadership: Learning Leaders, Change Leaders; (2) Leading and Managing Change and the Process of Change

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Dr. Anne Marie R. Ramos delivering her lecture during the School Leaders' Seminar.

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in Educational Institutions; and (3) Leading the Professional Learning Community.

Session 2: Technological Leadership: Using technology in the 21st century classrooms which was facilitated by Dr. Jasper Vincent Q. Alontaga, focused on effective educational technology leadership to support student learning inside 21st century classrooms. He highlighted themes on (1) Satisfying pedagogical practices using technology; (2) Supporting conditions for successful technology integration; and (3) Maximizing Open and Inclusive Solutions.

Both facilitators are members of the faculty of Educational Leadership and Management Department of De La Salle University. The event capped off with a short e-classroom tour on the De La Salle University campus.



Dr. Jasper Vincent Q. Alontaga delivering his lecture during the School Leaders' Seminar.



Participants during the group activity



After-seminar photo opportunity of participants with Dr. Ramos and Dr. Alontaga



Photo opportunity with facilitators Dr. Ramos and Dr. Alontaga, and CEM staff Iris Lark Dizer, Kathryn Tan and John Ray Dela Cruz



Participants during the E-classroom tour at the De La Salle University.

CEM Radio Program



CEM, in partnership with Radio Veritas 846 Kapanalig, hosted four (4) episodes of Campus Hour United with the Center for Educational Measurement, Inc. aired on June 8, 15, 22, and 29, 2019. This weekly 1-hour program is designed to spread awareness of CEM's agenda to a wider audience across the Philippines in order to serve more educational institutions in the area of standardized assessment of students' academic performance, potentials and personality.

Episode 1: CEM in History and Beyond was hosted by Mr. John Ray M. Dela Cruz, CEM's Director for Operations with Ms. Kathryn M. Tan, Director for Programs and Development, Mr. Jason V. Moseros, Test Development Section Head and Ms. Marinita T. Alano, Client Relations Specialist, as

guests. This episode was an introduction to CEM as an organization, its mandates and services, accomplishments that have significant impacts on education and its other offerings aimed at helping the sector of education through measurement and research.

Episode 2: Data-Driven Decision Making using CEM Tests featured an exciting discussion with Ms. Vilma Clerigo, Basic Education Department Principal of San Beda College Alabang and Mr. Resty Collado, Miriam College Faculty member. In this episode, the guests were able to share how their schools have benefitted from CEM test data in improving students' academic performance, career tracking and institutional decision-making. Ms. Nitz alano and Ms. Cristina Corpuz from the Client Relations Section (CRS) hosted the program.

Episode 3: Classroom Management with Ms. Ma. Teresa Vergara-Yuvienco, Co-founder, President and Education Director of eKindling, Inc. and Dr. Mel Greg Concepcion, Associate Professor, Philippine Normal University revved up the conversation by giving their personal insights and experience as educators in managing and maintaining a conducive and fun learning environment. This week's hosts were Mr. Melchor Cuenco and Ms. Nits Alano from CRS.

Episode 4: CEM Test Preparation Tips with Ms. Maria Mimosa Pranza, Consultant, School of Tomorrow and Dr. Belen Chu, CSAS Head of Philippine Academy of Sakya, together with student-guests, Cheska

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(L-R) Ms. Clerigo and Mr. Collado with program hosts Cristina and Nitz.



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and Iya, stressed the importance of taking the CEM tests seriously. The guest educators underscored their schools' objectives in subscribing to the CEM testing programs and the advantages they have enjoyed as a result of this subscription. The student-guests who came from CEM member schools also revealed their views and attitude towards examinations in general, as well as their motivations for taking tests eagerly.

Catch these episodes on CEM's Facebook Page at www.fb.com/cem.inc.org.ph and watch out for the CEM's regular radio program in September 2019.



(L-R) Ms. Vergara-Yuvienco and Dr. Concepcion with program hosts Bobi and Nitz.



Nits Alano, Jason Moseros, Kathryn Tan and program host John Ray Dela Cruz during the pilot episode of Campus Hour United with CEM



After-program photo opportunity with Ms. Pranza and Dr. Chu, and student-guests Iya and Cheska.

DID YOU KNOW? June is...

<p>Filipino Heritage Month</p>	<p>Philippine Environment Month</p>	<p>W.A.T.C.H. Month (We Advocate Time Consciousness & Honesty)</p>
<p>National Information and Communications Technology Month</p>	<p>National Dengue Awareness Month</p>	<p>National Kidney Month</p>

NMAT

National Medical Admission Test

PHILIPPINES

TEST DATE

October 27, 2019

Sunday

TEST CENTERS

**Manila, Baguio, Cebu, Iloilo, Davao,
Cagayan de Oro, and Zamboanga**

USA

TEST DATE

October 26, 2019

Saturday

TEST SITE

Embassy Suites by Hilton

Los Angeles International Airport South, El Segundo, CA

REGISTRATION PERIOD

July 15 to August 23, 2019

Philippine Standard Time

LAST DAY OF PAYMENT

August 25, 2019

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PhiLSAT

PHILIPPINE LAW SCHOOL ADMISSION TEST

TEST DATE

September 29, 2019

REGISTRATION PERIOD

**July 1 to
August 16, 2019**

LAST DAY OF PAYMENT

August 18, 2019

TEST FEE

PhP 1,000.00

TESTING LOCATIONS

Metro Manila

Baguio City

Tuguegarao City

Cebu City

Bacolod City

Tacloban City

Davao City

Cagayan de Oro City

WHO MUST TAKE THE SEPTEMBER 29, 2019 PHILSAT?

All those intending to enrol in the Juris Doctor (J.D.) course in a Philippine law school starting in AY 2019-2020, specially the following:

- 1) College graduates, and graduating college students at the end of AY 2018-2019;
- 2) Those who have previously passed the PhiLSAT but whose eligibility will expire at the end of AY 2018-2019;
- 3) Those with valid PhiLSAT eligibility who want to improve their ratings;
- 4) Those who have previously taken the PhiLSAT but failed to reach the passing score; and
- 5) Those who are conditionally enrolled in the 1st Semester of AY 2019-2020.

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