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NEW YEAR, NEW OPPORTUNITIES

It's been a blast seeing you alongside with us and we look forward to serving you again in 2022.

Here's to **overcoming obstacles**
and **opening more opportunities** together!

CEM welcomes the New Year with New Learning Opportunities

CEM is off to a fresh start for 2022 by offering new sets of free webinars via Zoom. These professional development opportunities are conducted to provide additional support to administrators, educators and other personnel in some areas of education.

Leading Your Students in Shaping Their Future

This webinar which was held on January 6, 2022 from 9:00 to 11:00 AM. It aims to provide knowledge and information to the guidance personnel, parents, and students on the importance of career coaching in guiding students make practical academic and career decisions. It was facilitated by Dr. Jerry J. Jurisprudencia and attended by 404 participants from all over the country. Some of the most important topics discussed in the webinar includes:

- Defining career coaching and other related philosophies
- Importance and benefits of career coaching to students
- Difference between e-career coaching and career counseling
- Role of the e-career coaches, teachers, parents and students in making informed career choices.

Spark Your Students' Critical Thinking

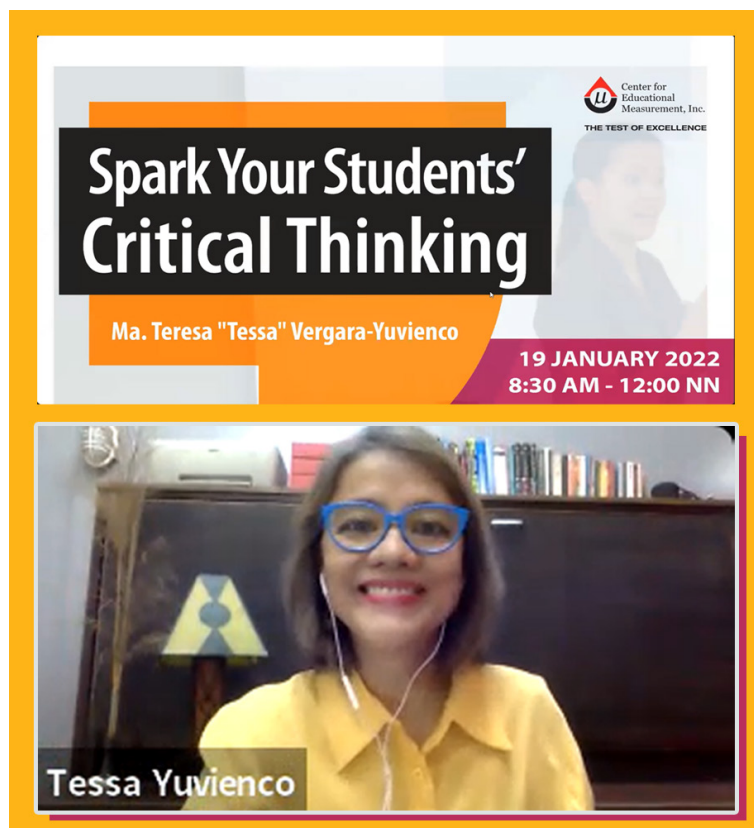
This webinar aims to introduce concepts, strategies, and digital tools in developing authentic assessments of higher-order thinking skills that will make learners become motivated and engaged in their school work. It was held on January 19, 2022 from 8:30 to 11:30 AM. It was facilitated by Ms. Ma. Teresa V. Yuvienco and attended by 699 participants nationwide. The end goals of this webinar are for the participants to:

- Do a self-assessment on their knowledge, skills, strategies, and techniques in tapping higher-order thinking skills of students
- Appreciate strategies on how to motivate and engage students in learning and assessment
- Share experiences on how to assess HOTS in the classroom
- Identify the challenges encountered in assessing HOTS
- Conceive a plan on how to further improve assessment of HOTS.

For more information about this event, visit tinyurl.com/ms9tp5k5



Dr. Jurisprudencia with some of the CEM staff and participants posing for a photo capture during the webinar



Ms. Yvienco during her webinar presentation

CEM joins DepEd's Assessment PD

CEM is one of the National Educators' Academy of the Philippines (NEAP)-accredited Learning Service Providers (LSPs) that collaborated with the Department of Education on the **Professional Development Program on Assessment and Emerging Literacies with focus on PISA (Assessment PD)**. This program aims to improve teachers' assessment literacy and content knowledge to help them align their classroom practice with the emerging literacies measured by international assessments.

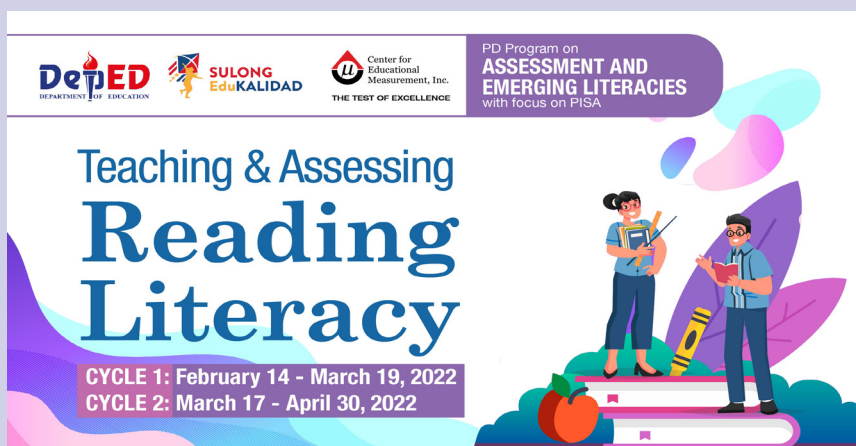
Particularly, CEM has been working on the development and delivery of the online training course on **Teaching and Assessing Reading Literacy** exclusive for DepEd teachers. To help adolescent learners become independent, strategic, and effective readers, this five-week course will introduce and guide teacher participants on:

- Most significant qualities, components, and strategies for reading comprehension instruction
- How to use the direct instruction method to design lessons for teaching essential comprehension and text evaluation strategies
- How to apply a variety of

assessment methodologies to evaluate the processes and outcomes of reading including skills measured in PISA, such as, locating information from texts and understanding, evaluating, and reflecting on texts

The course will run in two batches: February 14 to March 19, 2022 (Batch 1) and March 17 to April 30, 2022 (Batch 2). Activities will consist of asynchronous tasks and a few synchronous lessons. Completing this course will earn participants an e-certificate.

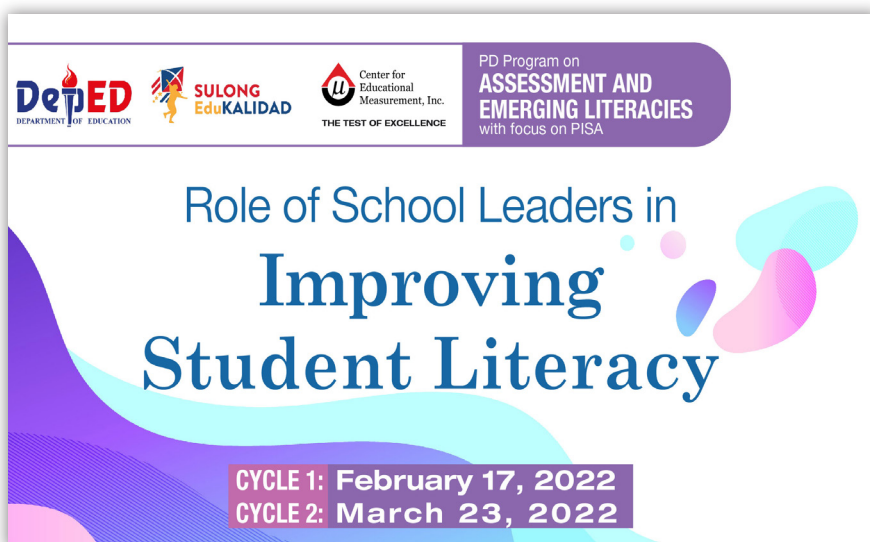
To know more about Assessment PD, visit <https://training.deped.gov.ph/course/index.php?categoryid=80>.



Role of School Leaders in Improving Student Literacy

To complement the online training course on Teaching and Assessing Reading Literacy, CEM will also conduct a 2.5-hour webinar on the **Role of School Leaders in Improving Student Literacy**. This will provide opportunities for school leaders to understand the program goals and objectives of the teacher training course mentioned above. From the standpoint of the school leader, this webinar examines the concepts and techniques for creating and sustaining literacy development programs in schools.

This will also be held in two batches: February 17, 2022 (Batch 1) and March 23, 2022 (Batch 2) from 9:00 to 11:30 am.



Online NMAT January 2022 Administration

CEM administered the National Medical Admission Test online on January 15 to 24 and 28, 2022 using a secured online platform.

A total of 5,431 candidates took the test on their preferred dates. Online results will be released on February 15, 2022 through www.cem-inc.org.ph/nmat.

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During our first virtual coffee break this year, we asked our CEM colleagues to share their favorite quote from a movie or TV show they've seen during the holidays and here are some of them:

What is your favorite quote from a Movie or TV show?

Mark Anthony Villaluz:

"Life was like a box of chocolates, you never know what you're gonna get." - *Forrest Gump*

Lucille Mae Borja Javier:

"I don't judge people on their worst mistakes." - *Black Widow, Avengers Endgame*

Eric Tadeo:

"It's not who I am underneath but what I do that defines me." - *Batman, Batman Begins*

Aldwin Calilong:

"Tell me, and I forget. Teach me, and I remember. Involve me, and I learn." - *Anne with an E*

Dionisio Cervantes:

"A moment of pain is worth a lifetime of glory" - *Pete to Louie, Unbroken*