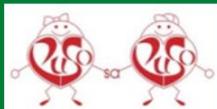


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# MOVING UP CEREMONY 2022



K TO 12 GRADUATES: PURSUING DREAMS AND  
FOSTERING RESILIENCE IN THE FACE OF  
ADVERSITY

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**Puso Sa Puso Organizational Evaluation 2022**  
(July 2 – July 27, 2022)



Ensuring the Puso Sa Puso Edukasyon, Inc.'s organizational effectiveness and efficiency, a group of external evaluators commissioned by Misean Cara held another evaluation for the whole month of July 2022. Two of the current branches from Puso Sa Puso, namely Parola and Payatas Centers together with the administrators, staff, previous and present beneficiaries (parents and learners), representatives from local government unit (LGU), partner agency, and Department of Education took part in this activity.

The project evaluation underwent the following: (1) External financial audit of Puso Sa Puso by a Certified Public Accountant for (every year), (2) Specific project external audit (with Misean Cara M&E and Audit funds), (3) Internal end-of-year evaluation by the Board, after consulting with Program Coordinator, staff and beneficiaries and (4) External evaluation of all programs at the end of the three years of project.

In summary, a total of 134 individuals underwent interview on the implication of the institution in the different stakeholders of education (82 learners, 27 parents, 8 staff, 10 LGU, 4 administrators, 1 partner agency, and 2 DepEd representatives).

## Inside Photos:



Interview with a learner



FGD with the staff and admin



Parola Parents waiting their turn for interview



LGU representatives in Payatas



FGD for LGU and PIAN representatives in Parola



Discussion with DepEd representatives from Manila



## **Presentation of Portfolio Assessment 2022 at Parola Center**

July 09, 2022



*“There are people who make things happen, there are people who watch things happen, and there are people who wonder what happened. To be successful, you need to be a person who makes things happen.”*  
— Jim Lovell

The portfolio presentation is a collection of a learner's achievements, assembled specifically for assessment. It contains formal records that document the learner's background and experience, the learning process she/he has followed, and work samples selected by the learner to show what she/he can do. It also contains records documenting the learner's prior learning and records documenting the learner's progress toward achieving the stated learning goals.

Last July 09, 2022 was the schedule of Portfolio Revalidation at Parola Center it was a whole day event. For the 3<sup>rd</sup> time around, another 41 successful learners from Puso Sa Puso Parola Center passed the Presentation of Portfolio Assessment 2022. Thirty-nine (39) from Junior High School and 2 from the Elementary level. This assessment was conducted by Manila ALS -OIC/Acting Supervisor Mrs. Lea V. Faa and with the help of the ever supportive Puso Sa Puso Staff- Parola, Sr. Mila Singap- FLP- Parola Supervisor, Darren M. Ilarina-Learning Facilitator, Errol Rodel- Learning Facilitator, Luciita Casero- Livelihood Coordinator and Angel Miralles- Social Worker. On the same day, learners underwent interview, reading comprehension, and writing assessment.

Thank God the whole day Presentation of Portfolio Assessment was truly successful and all the passers went home with a big smile in their face.

**Inside Photos:**



*Mrs. Lea V. Faa, Manila ALS-OIC/Acting Supervisor giving the Objectives of Presentation of Portfolio Assessment 2022*



Mrs. Lea V. Faa, giving an instruction during Writing Assessment



During Interview and Reading Assesment with Mrs. Lea V. Faa- ALS-OIC/Acting Supervisor Manila.



District Revalidation at Cecillo Apostol Elementary School

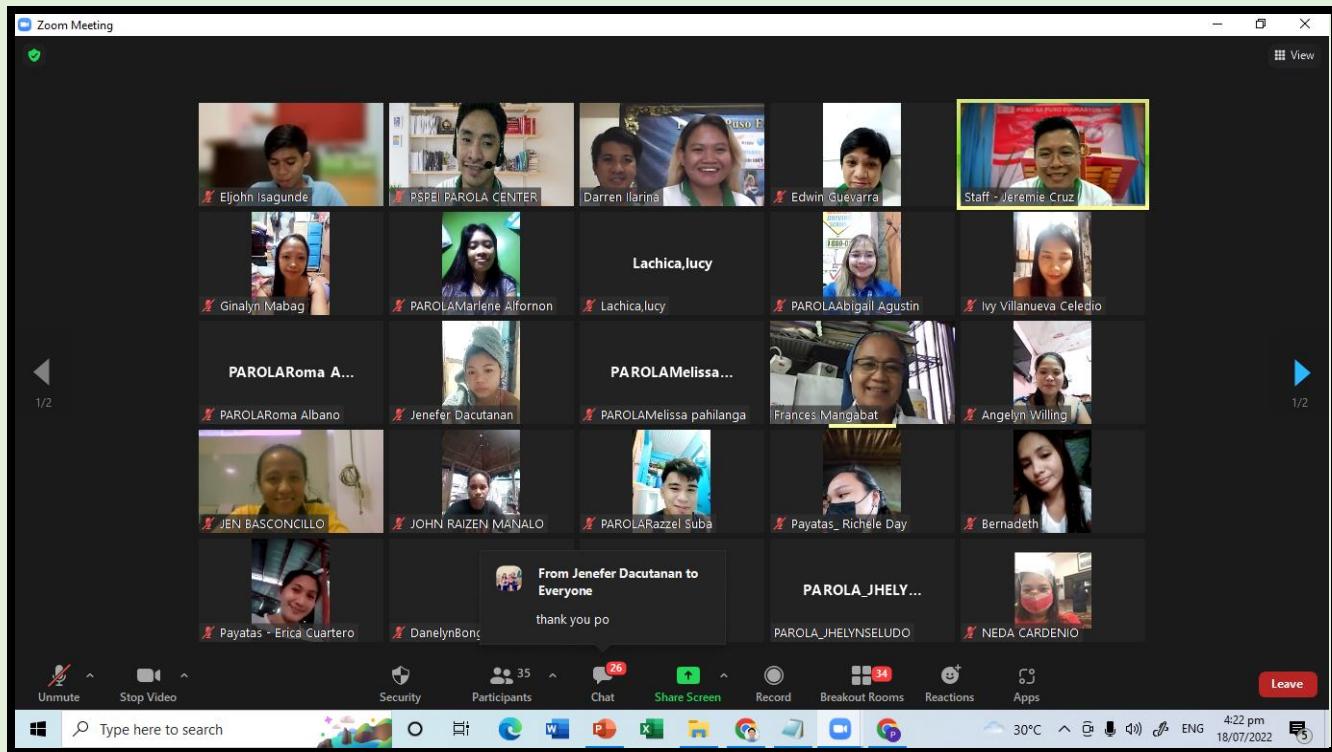


The Successful Parola Passers of Presentation of Portfolio Assessment 2022.



## Online Career Orientation

July 18, 2022



Puso Sa Puso Edukasyon, Inc. annually organize a Career Orientation as another batch of ALSA BUHAY Program learners start their new journey in higher level. The load given to the learners was funded by the International Container Terminal Services, Inc. (ICTSI) -- partner of Puso Sa Puso. The affiliated two centers Parola and Payatas joined as one to execute the Online Career Orientation to help the learners choose a better career path that fits to their skills and abilities.

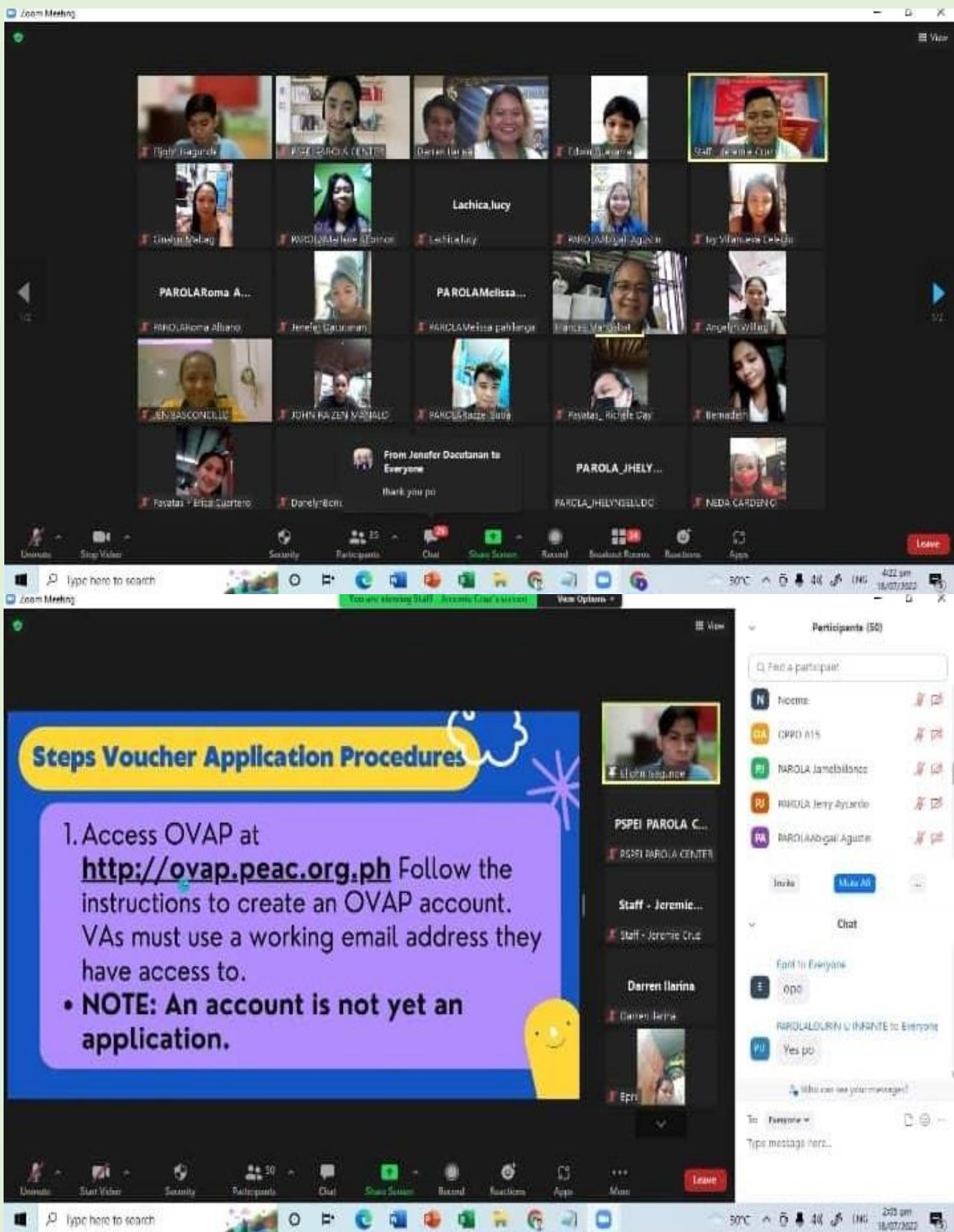
Ma. Jocelyn Andres, a Trainor of Food and Beverage and Housekeeping and also a Training Coordinator from Manila Manpower Development Center discussed the technical vocational skills that they offer. These vocational skills provide education and training opportunities for students and clients in preparation for local and abroad employment.

Mr Eljohn Isagunde, LPT, DepEd ALS teacher at Pedro Guevarra Elementary School discussed the importance and the process on how to apply for a voucher system. This voucher program is applicable only for any private schools and universities, meanwhile, for public schools are free of charge.

In addition to the discussion, Parola and Payatas learning facilitators tackled the different strands that learners may take up in their Senior High School level.

The discussion was well spent and well earned of new knowledge.

## Inside Photos:



The image shows a Zoom meeting interface. At the top, there's a header with the text 'Zoom Meeting' and a 'Participants (48)' button. Below the header is a grid of participant video feeds. The participants are arranged in a grid, with some slots empty. Each participant has a small video thumbnail, a name, and a 'Remove' button. The names visible include Darren Ilarina, PAROLA Jameli, Angel Miralles, PAROLALOURIN, Edwin Gucevarra, PAROLAMariehne Atacion, PAROLAMariel Agustin, Ivy Villanueva C..., DanelynBongalo, Deeseric Tomales, Ivyres Montagut, Lachica,lucy, Noeme, PAROLASizzet Sabo, Jenefer Docanach, and Bernadeth. At the bottom of the screen, there are various control buttons for the meeting, including 'Unmute', 'Stop Video', 'Share Screen', 'Record', 'Reactions', 'Page', 'More', and 'Leave'. On the right side, there's a sidebar with a search bar 'Search a participant' and a list of participants with their names, profile icons, and 'Remove' buttons. The sidebar also includes buttons for 'Invite', 'Mute All', 'Chat', and a message box with recent messages from PAROLALourin, PAROLAMariehne, and PAROLAMariel. At the very bottom, there's a taskbar with icons for the Start button, File, Home, Insert, Page Layout, and View, along with a search bar and system status indicators for battery level, temperature, and signal strength.

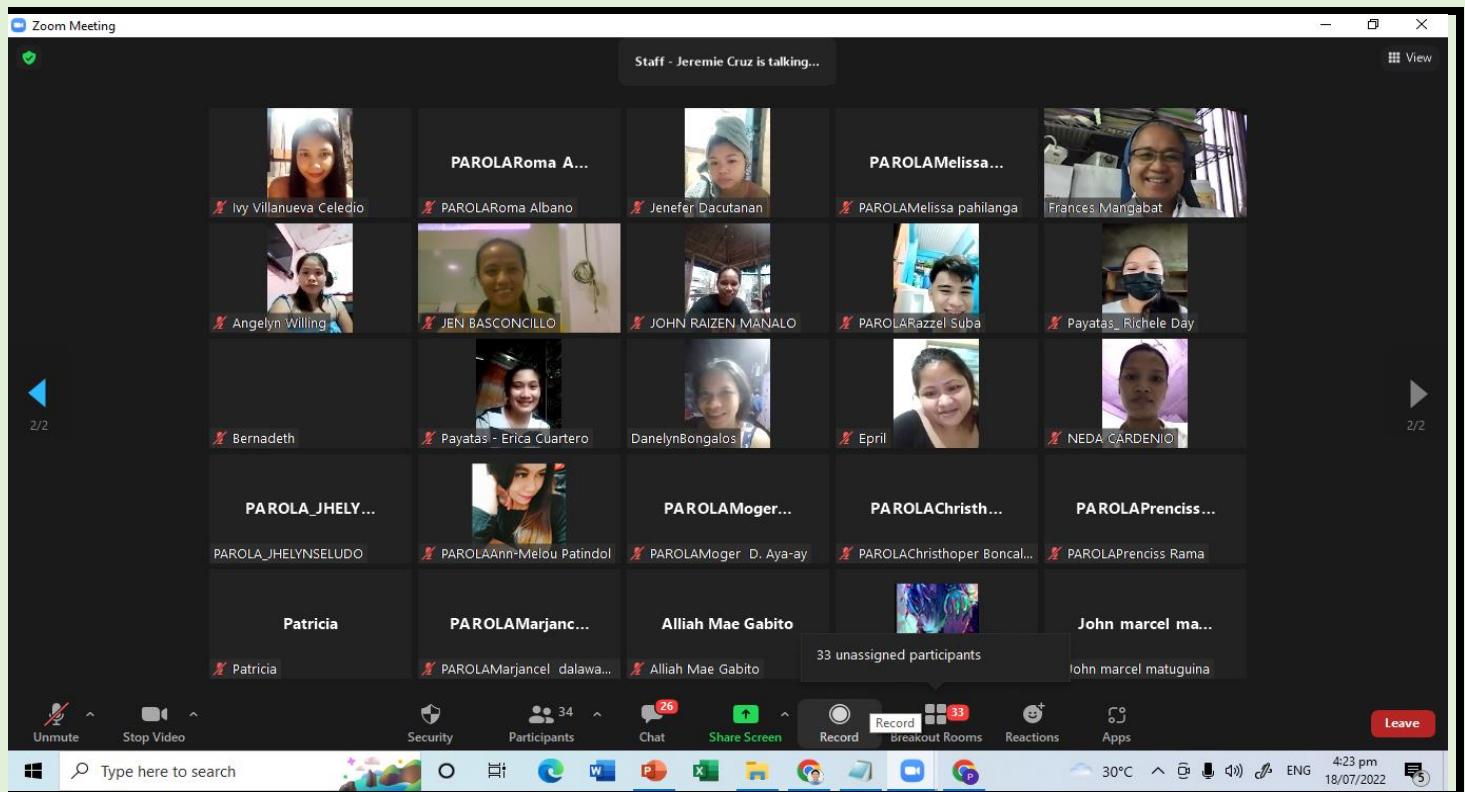
A screenshot of a Microsoft Teams video call. The top bar shows the search bar, taskbar icons, and system status (30°C, 48%, 10:24 AM, 15/07/2022). The main video frame displays a slide with the following text:

- Academic Track
- GENERAL Academic Track
- Beneficial for students who are completely unsure or still undecided
- Can choose electives from variety of track

Next to the text is a large yellow emoji of a face with a sad expression, with a hand holding a red speech bubble that says "Ano ang GAS?". On the right side, a list of participants is shown in a grid format, each with a small profile picture and their name. The participants are:

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Darren Ibarra	Angel Miralles - Par...
Edwin Guevara	
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April	PAROLAAbigal...
April	PAROLAAbigal Aquino
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At the bottom, the Teams navigation bar is visible with icons for Start Video (Alt+V), Security, Participants (45), Chat, Share Screen, Record, Breakout Rooms, Reactions, and Apps. A "Leave" button is in the bottom right corner.





## **EDM Summer Camp 2022**

July 21, 2022



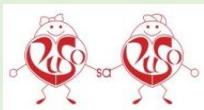
Summer Camp is an annual program for Enfants Du Mekong scholars from Payatas and Parola centers. This is to provide an opportunity for scholars to interact with one another in order to improve their relationships and collaborations as a team, as well as to learn from one another's life experiences as students. Summer camp was arranged and held on July 21, 2022, in Casa Eugenia Private Resort in Bulacan. The event was organized by the undersigned social workers of both centers, with the support of the Puso Sa Puso Edukasyon, Inc. staff.

To tone up the day, a prayer was offered and led by Ms. Mylene Ballaran, a former Learning Facilitator of Parola Center, followed by preliminary activities such as, tie-a-knot and Marshmallow Challenge hosted by Ms. Angel Miralles, a social worker from Parola Center. The second part was sharing activity on their LIFE, FAMILY, and CAREER experiences and future plans it was hosted by Ms. Ma Rika Estabillo, Learning Facilitator from Payatas Center. After all activities, lunch was followed and Rest and Recreation were scheduled during the afternoon.

Truly, everyone needs a break to breathe, to think, and to plan for the future. This Summer Camp helps the scholars to build good communication and cooperation among their co-scholars.

## Inside Photos:





**Training of Trainers of Road Safety Program - PAROLA**  
**“Ligtas na Lansangan para sa Mamamayan”**

August 4-5, 2022



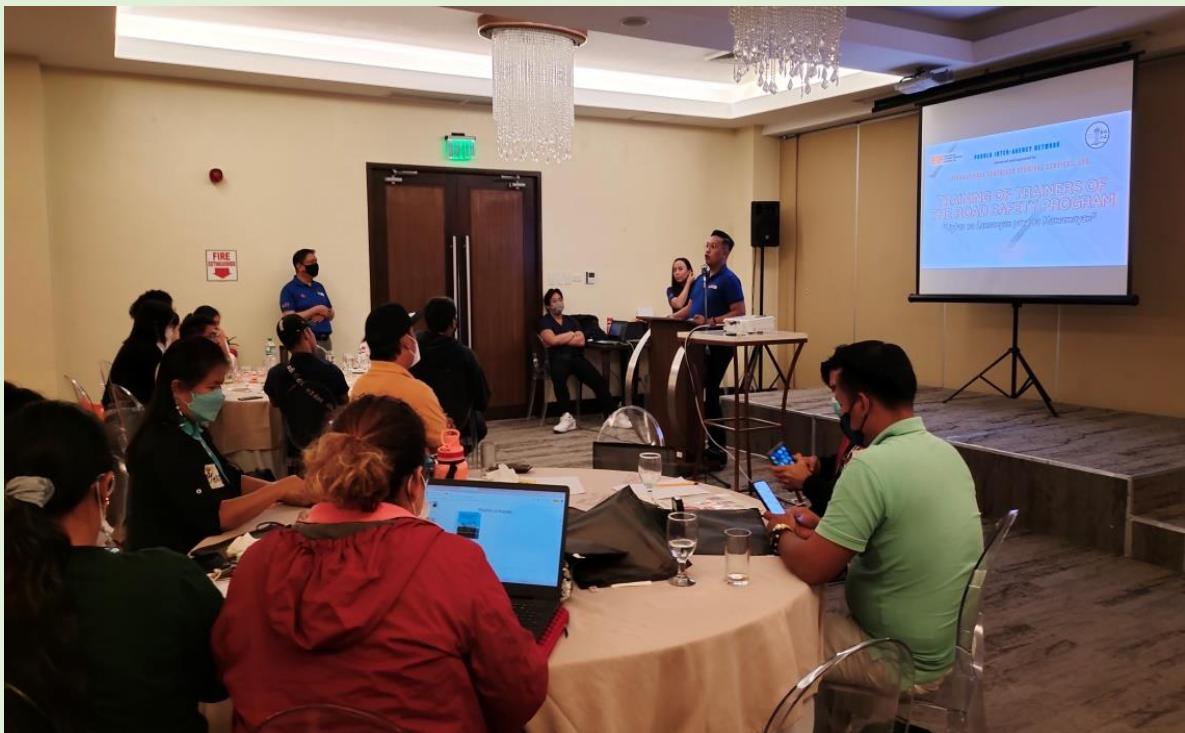
Road Safety methods and measures aimed at reducing the likelihood or the risk of persons using the road network getting involved in a collision or an incident that may cause property damages, serious injuries and/or death. Road Safety awareness plays an important role in shaping the attitudes and behaviors of children and motorists, ensuring they will become responsible drivers, passengers, and pedestrians in the future.

On the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> of August, in partnership with the International Container Terminal Services, Inc. and Parola Inter Agency Network (PIAN) the Training of Trainers of Road Safety Program took place at Victoria-Isabela Function Hall Hotel Monticello Tagaytay City. It was attended by different PIAN partners and new participants and members.

The Puso Sa Puso Staff Mr. Darren M. Ilarina- Learning Facilitator of Parola Center was one of the Trainers and resource speakers during the training with the theme: “Ligtas na Lansangan Para sa Mamamayan”. In the said training, the speakers tackled the different modules which is Module 1- Kalagayan ng Parola, Module 2-Traffic Signs and Symbols, Module 3- Pangkalahatang Kaligtasan sa Daan, and module 4- Mga Hakbanging Pangkaligtasan. Aside from giving important informations, participants also demonstrated the safety measures.

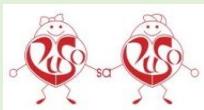
The two (2) day event was truly informative and enjoyable to all participants as they learned while having fun in different prepared activities. It made all possible with the collaboration and active participation of PIAN members with their Road Safety materials.

## Inside Photos:



First day of Training in Tagaytay City together with PIAN Partners.





### **Thanksgiving Mass**

August 8, 2022



Moving Up Ceremony for School Year 2021-2022 has come to an end. Another fruitful hardships and stories to tell to conclude very soon. Thanksgiving Mass was celebrated for all the success and failures that these learners experienced for the whole school year. The mass was presided by the Puso Assistant Director, Fr. Christopher Osares, SDS, along his side is the acting Puso Assistant Director, Fr. Florencio Ompad, SDS. It was concluded at Payatas Center and attended by the Puso staff and learners who were invited to attend the Mass through zoom video meeting.

This thanksgiving mass offers to the Almighty God who guides and leads these learners to surpass the challenges of education amidst the pandemic. Learners were reminded to keep on striving and dreaming amidst of all life's challenges they may encounter. They just need to believe on themselves, pray to the Lord and trust His plans for them.

Everyone partook with blessings and guidance from the Lord above. Learners were ready to face new challenges from their journey.

## Inside Photos:





**Moving Up Ceremony 2022:  
K to 12 Graduates: Pursuing Dreams and Fostering Resilience  
in the Face of Adversity**

August 10, 2022



At last! The day that these learners waited was about to come and an open opportunity for a new beginning. A new beginning that offers, new learnings, new journey, and new experiences. Moving Up Ceremony 2022 with a theme: K to 12 Graduates: Pursuing Dreams and Fostering Resilience in the Face of Adversity, indeed! These learners showed resiliency and eagerness to surface their ALS journey.

After three consecutive online ceremony, a face-to-face ceremony was held at Good Shepherd Cathedral Church. Everyone was excited to walk along in the aisle with their parents, receive their diploma and special awards on stage, this was a humble feeling as they end the School Year 2021-2022. Puso staff and admin exerted effort and prepared for this memorable ceremony.

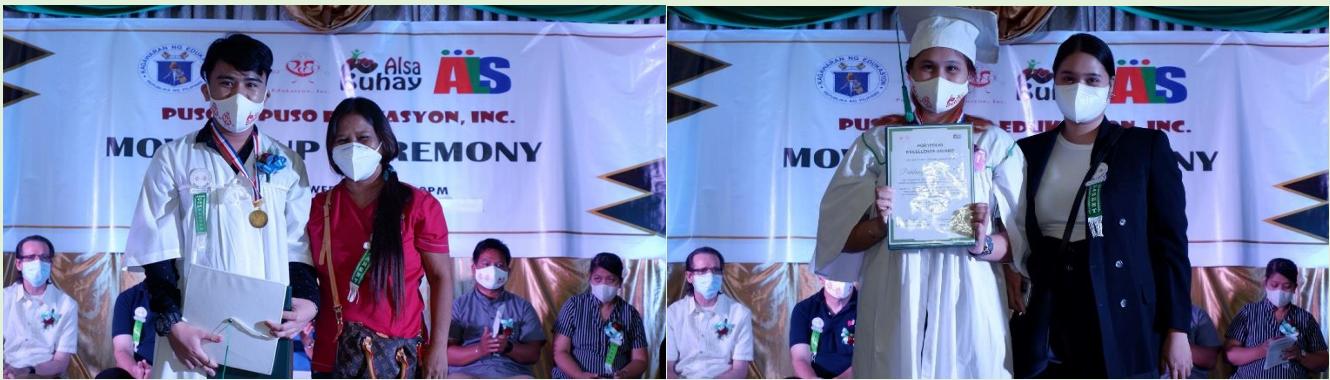
Everyone was invited and attended the ceremony. The Barangay Official of Payatas and SK Chairman, Fe Guarin and Lester Pangilinan, the Educational Program Specialist of Division of City Schools, Quezon City, Dr. Victoria Magdaong-Dela Cruz, and other special guests and speakers shared their time and leave an uplifting word of wisdom to these completers and graduates.

Everyone went home with a joyful smile and grateful heart. Definitely, these are memories to cherish and experience to treasure.

**Inside Photos:**



Parola and Payatas graduates and completers





Payatas and Parola ExcellenceAwardees



Guests and speakers



Graduates and completers dance performance

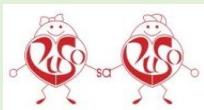


Instructional Managers, Livelihood Coordinator, and Social Workers



Mr. Errol Rodel and Mr. Edwin Guevarra – Masters of Ceremony

Congratulations batch 2021-2022 of Payatas and Parola Center! God bless you all! Soar high. Dream big.



## **Parola Center: Brigada Eskwela 2022**

August 22,23, and 24, 2022



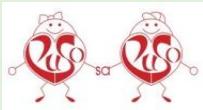
The Department of Education officially kicked off the nationwide Brigada Eskwela 2022 to promote collaboration and resiliency in basic education. This year theme; “Tugon sa Hamon ng Ligtas na Balik-Aral” highlights the country’s collective efforts from various partnership engagements, creating a safe learning environment while delivering quality of education.

Last August 22,23, and 24, 2022, the Brigada Eskwela or clean-up drive event of Puso Sa Puso ALSA-BUHAY- PAROLA center conducted with the participation of Parola staff , 4Ps parents, the Basic Literacy Program learners, Elementary and Junior High School learners. They lend their helping hands to clean and fix everything needed inside and outside the center for the conducive and better ambiance of having educational experience. A total of 50 Parents and learners from all level participated and exerted their time and effort to maintain the cleanliness and orderliness of the center.

Indeed, the three day event was successful! It was a reminder for all that helping one another makes things easy and fast. It also taught them to become responsible and by the virtue of bayanihan (cooperation) which we need to continue this custom of being a Filipino tradition.

## Inside Photos:





**ALSA BUHAY Learners' General Orientation**  
September 5 and 12, 13 and 14, 2022



General orientation is an annual activity of Puso Sa Puso Edukasyon, Inc. for the new batch enrolled learners. The objective of this orientation is to inform learners about the organization, its mission and vision, the program in which the learners were enrolled, and what they will expect while they were enrolled in the organization.

Parola Center conducted their orientation for three (3) days, dividing the enrolled learners based on the capacity of the center. Meanwhile, Payatas center conducted their learners' orientation for 1 day, scheduling the new enrolled learners for morning and afternoon orientation.

It was attended by the Basic Literacy Program (BLP) learners, Elementary level and Junior High School learners of Parola and Payatas centers. The event would never be possible without the support and guidance of Parola Supervisor Sr. Mila P. Singap, FLP and Payatas Supervisor and Program Coordinator Sr. Frances Mangabat, SDS. Puso staff and teachers divided the task for the said orientation.

This orientation will help and guide the new batch for the school year 2022 – 2023. Again, Welcome to Puso Sa Puso Edukasyon, Inc.! All Glory to God.

## Inside Photos:



Payatas Center General Orientation



Parola Center General Orientation



## **Opening Mass for Batch 2022**

September 12 and 16, 2022



Puso Sa Puso Edukasyon, Inc. Payatas and Parola Centers welcome the 9<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> batch of learners through an Opening Mass. It was held at Our lady of Lourdes Chapel in Payatas B, Quezon City while in Parola center it was held at Nuestra Señora de la Soledad de Manila Parish at Tondo Manila. Fr. Florencio Ompad SDS, acting Assistant Director of PSPEI officiated the mass. The mass was attended by the staff, admin, scholars, and learners from the current batch.

In the Homily, Fr. Florencio reminded the learners to never surrender in achieving their dreams. Also, to keep on trying and be responsible because in the end, they will achieve their goals in life. The Homily centered to the three blessings from our Lord namely (1) talents and abilities, (2) unity, (3) holiness. These gifts are something that we should ponder and use in our day to day living and as we embark the journey of learning and finding our true purpose in life.

Meanwhile, in Parola Center the mass was spearheaded by Fr. Florencio Ompad SDS, together with Fr. Sunil Thomas, SDS, Fr. Ferdinand Lukoa, SDS, and Fr. Hubert Kranz SDS. The mass served as their realization to keep chasing their dreams for the betterment of their future path. Everyone needs to continue what they have started.

## Inside Photos:



Payatas Center Opening Mass



Parola Center Opening Mass



## **ALS Gawad Parangal 2022**

September 17, 2022



A huge congratulations to Puso Sa Puso Edukasyon, Inc. - Payatas Center in a recently concluded ALS Gawad Parangal 2022 held at Benigno Aguino Elementary School in Quezon City. It was attended by ALS Teachers, Community ALS Implementors, and Learning Facilitators from both public schools, private institutions, and NGOs from Quezon City.

Certificate of Appreciation was awarded to the three teachers from Payatas center namely; Mr. Jeremie Cruz, Ms. Ma. Rika Estabillo, and Mr. Edwin Guevarra. On top of that, PSPEI - Payatas Center received an award of Certificate of Recognition for producing 2nd highest number of passers in Congressional District 2 among NGOs during the Portfolio Assessment SY 2021-2022!

This acknowledgement would like also to share to the very hardworking Social Worker of Payatas center - Ms. Jennifer Basconcillo and to the support and guidance given by Sr. Frances Mangabat, SDS (Program Coordinator and Payatas Supervisor) and Fr. Christopher Osares, SDS (Assistant Director).

Definitely, this recognition and appreciation had gone too far! All Glory to God for His guidance to this mission.

## Inside Photos:







## **School Supplies Distribution**

September 28, 2022



Since December 2021, Puso Sa Puso Edukasyon, Inc. has been receiving school materials from the Missionary Community of Saint Paul the Apostle, MCSPA to assist the ALSA BUHAY learners. Their generosity is helping the Puso beneficiaries to have their own school supplies to use for every day's lessons. MCSPA brothers has been partner of Puso for a year and their big heart and helping hands touch a lot of Puso beneficiaries.

On September 28th, school supplies distribution was carried out in collaboration with the seminarians of the Missionary Community of Saint Paul the Apostle at Payatas center. It was headed and supervised by their superior, Fr. Francis, and present also in the distribution was the acting Assistant Director of PSPEI, Fr. Florencio Ompad, SDS, as well as the Puso Program Coordinator, Sr. Frances R. Mangabat, SDS and Puso staff.

This partnership has a long way to go. Thank you very much MCSPA brothers and Fr. Francis. God bless us all.

## Inside Photos:

