## Southville International School and Colleges

# STUDENTS AND PARENTS' BULLELE TILL

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### **Yearend Message of Principal**



At the end of each school year, I reflect on what a fantastic community we have here at Southville International School and Colleges (SISC) and this year confirmed that more than ever. In spite of the very challenging circumstances that this year has brought, we remain a learning and caring community as we connect in new ways and find a new normal for learning. I am pleased to say we have not allowed the pandemic to stop us from doing what we do best!

What I have most learned this year is how much I appreciate the extraordinary resolve, flexibility and positivity of our students who have adapted very well to these unique circumstances. I won't dwell too much upon their unprecedented challenges and instead celebrate their ability to seize hold of the opportunities in their virtual classrooms and achieve their academic aspirations. I know I call you amazing all of the time but I really mean it and none more so than over the past months.

I am proud to serve with the SISC faculty and staff who have moved proverbial mountains to create and fashion new ways of teaching and learning, and champion students from afar. Your drive, passion and determination, combined with your skill, knowledge and empathy, have seen the school's Virtual Online Learning and Teaching (VOLT) Program raise student progress. Nobody has worked harder or longer and I

thank each and everyone of you for all that you have done for our learners.

I am also appreciative of all SISC parents and families who have been so much a part of the online educational journey of their children. Because of you, we have seen great attendance in our live classes and our students are regularly engaging with and submitting school work. Thank you for everything you have done to support learning from home. We never take for granted the huge sacrifices you make, especially of late, to send your children to be educated here.

In this current climate, it has been both humbling and inspiring to see the ways in which SISC students, parents, teachers and staff took steps to turn a deeply worrying situation into one of hope, optimism and care for others. When I look back on academic year 2020-2021 after 'normality' arrives, it will be with a sense of pride recognizing it was a point in our history when our community spirit had never burned brighter to transcend all adversity. I wish everyone well and count down the days until we meet again.

# New students gain sense of belonging in online orientation

The Basic Education Division held its New Student and Parent Orientation (NSPO) last July 17 and July 24, 2021 to ensure that the newest members of the SISC family are given the necessary information about the school. Although changed to a virtual format, the NSPO gave a complete orientation experience by covering students' academic requirements and expectations, and the resources and opportunities available to them so they can thrive and be successful in their first year.

The parents, meanwhile, were welcomed as partners in promoting their children's success, and gained understanding of what their children will be experiencing. The online event gave participants an important head start in preparing for the new school year as they connected with current students and teachers in their grade level, and asked them questions on how to become a successful Monarch.

Up next for new students is the Virtual Online Learning & Teaching (VOLT) Power Tools Orientation slated for August 13, 2021 from 2:00 to 4:00 pm. Discover the ways to optimize VOLT's distance learning tools for effective learning. Please see the invitation for Meeting ID and Passcode.

#### **VOLT Power Tools Orientation for New Students**

Date and Time: August 13, 2021 at 2:00-4:00 PM

Zoom Link: <a href="https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJwuceCrqD0pHdwlJ-yoR64L7-zjod1O54KB">https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJwuceCrqD0pHdwlJ-yoR64L7-zjod1O54KB</a>

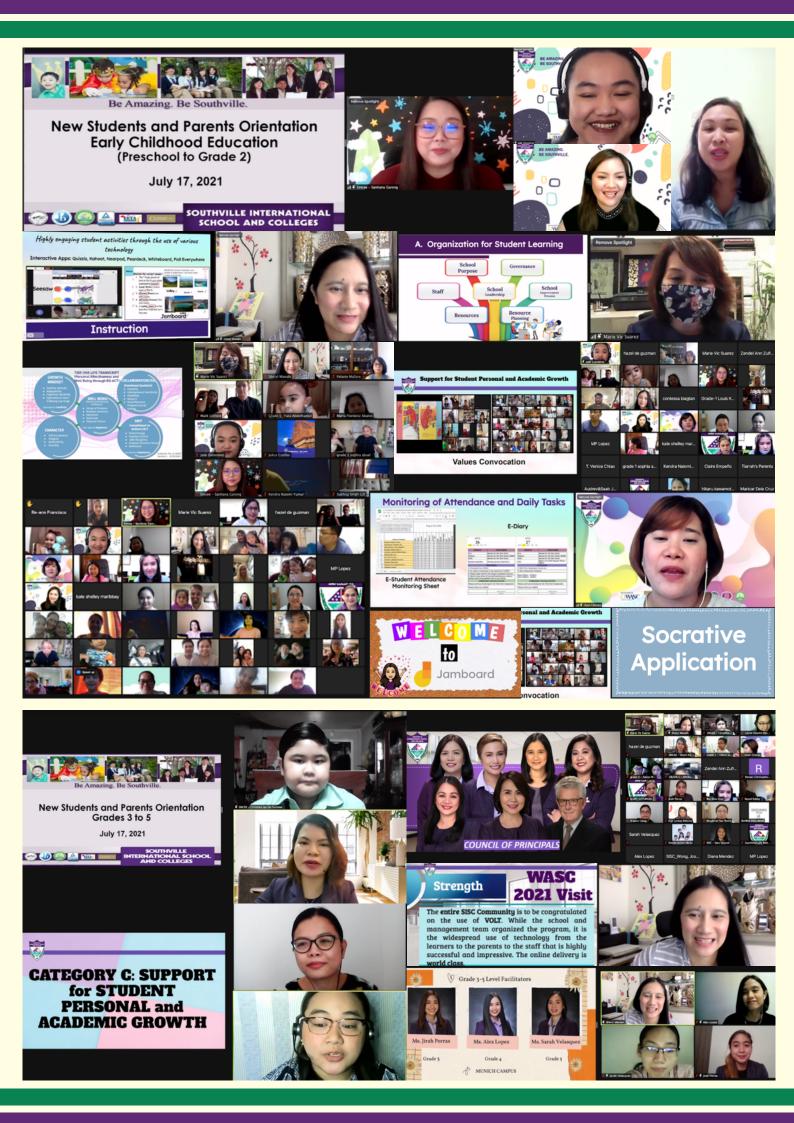
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Passcode: 199268



#### Photos during the New Students and Parents Orientation









NEW STUDEN



MUFTI – This activity took its name from the word's actual definition – ordinary clothes worn by people who usually wear uniforms. On MUFTI Days, students are asked to dress up according to theme. Students are not required, but encouraged to participate.

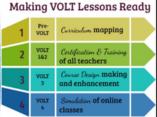
PASS — Portfolio Assessment for Students of SISC is a training ground for grade 6 an 12 students in the field of research. Aside from their PASS subject cached; a research adviser is assigned to each "grade 6 student for consultation and assistance. This is a graduation requirement. A separate orientation will be conducted for parents of graduating students.





PARE







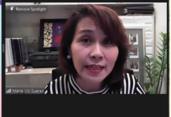




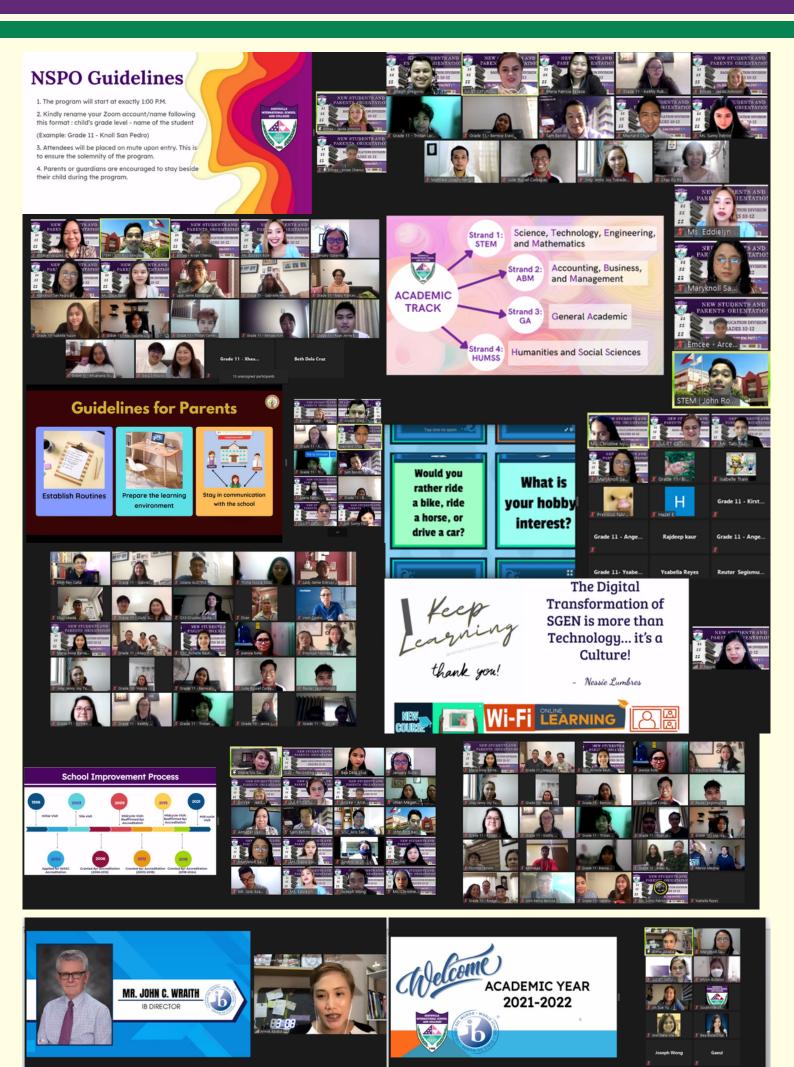
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SISC is committed to develop lifelong learners who are equipped with the 5Cs through technology enhanced educational progams to ensure student success in the 21st century.





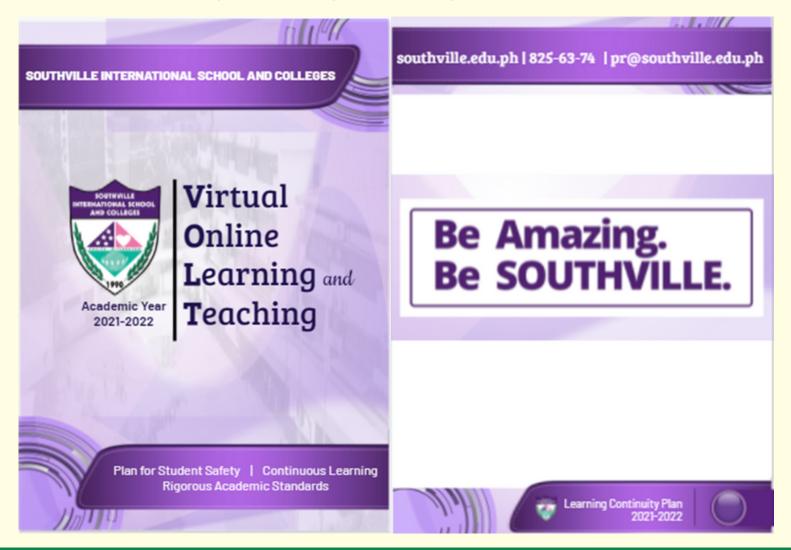


# SISC releases primer for navigating AY 2021–2022

SISC will begin academic year 2021-2022 with distance learning to balance its commitment to provide high quality education with minimizing health risks for all students, teachers, staff and their families. It is natural to have a lot of questions as a return to campus will likely take a little more time due to the limited vaccinations and constantly mutating pandemic virus.

We are pleased to share with you the Southville Basic Education Primer which is designed to give you background information on our online learning methodology for the coming school year, class schedules, learning activities and assessments, responsibilities for students, teachers and parents, and other important information on what schooling during the pandemic will look like. It contains everything you need to know regarding achieving academically from a distance.

View or download the primer at: <a href="https://online.flipbuilder.com/crkhi/wdtk/">https://online.flipbuilder.com/crkhi/wdtk/</a>



### Share a Southville experience



For the Academic Year 2021-2022, we are launching our Share a Southville Experience to students and parents who have friends, relatives, and family members who wish to join the Southville Community. Share with us their names and contact information through the Share the Southville Experience Form, and we will reach out to them to explain the Southville programs. We will also acknowledge you through a token of Gratitude for sharing your pride in the Southville experience.

For any inquiries about the program, please contact Elyds Reyes or Gerlie Montellano of our Public Relations Team via pr@southville.edu.ph.



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**Acknowledgment Form** 

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**Basic Ed Bulletins**