

Good afternoon everyone,

Dear Brother Superior General, Brother Robert.
Brother Ricky Laguda our General Councilor for PARC (Pacific Asia Region Conference)
Brother Dodo, our Visitor of LEAD.

Parents, teachers and all staff members of La Salle in Kagoshima.

It is an honor for me to say a few words as a representative of all of you. In advance, thank you for your support to make this moment possible.

Together and by Association. These are the words that have defined our mission ever since La Salle was founded. As part of the great network of the Lasallian World, I can see the passion and devotion of all of the members in our Institution.

I just became a principal in April of this year, but I feel like I have been here for a long time! Not because of hard work but the warm reception and the amazing support that you have given to me and the other Brothers.

Today is a historical day for our School in Kagoshima because the last time the General Superior visited us was 13 years ago, so we feel part of the history not just for this school but for the Lasallian World and for that, in the name of all of the members of this Institution, I want to give a big thank to Brother Bob, as you can see a simple but wise man who has the responsibility to guide not just the brothers but all who have been involved in the Lasallian Spirituality around the world. Thank you brother firstly to be not just our Superior but also our Brother. Thank you for bringing us hope and for encouraging us to share the Lasallian mission with other countries, for telling us that we need to continue exploring new ways of education not just here but going into the global world preparing the future of our students and the new generation as citizens of the world.

Finally Thank you for reminding us that we need to continue embracing the values of La Salle, Faith, Fraternity and Service, not just for us but to create a society where people can live together and serve each other as a big brotherhood.

As Lasallian people we take the commitment to continue touching the hearts of our students, and put it to them to continue the spirit of La Salle, bringing the joy and the hope to live in a better place, in a better world, with opportunities to increase their abilities to face the future with courage and love.

I hope you are enjoying your time in Japan, and hope this visit is just one of many. Brothers Bob, Ricky and Dodo, once again welcome to La Salle Kagoshima, Welcome to La Salle Japan. God Bless you all. Live Jesus in our Hearts!