



# Communiqué

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Dear Lasallians,

Welcome to SY 2018 - 2019!

This year promises to be another year of growth and opportunity for our university, as we welcome the next generation of Lasallians into the growing De La Salle Araneta University community as well as many of our students and partners back with renewed commitment to resolutely push toward our goal of becoming the GREAT university of Northern Manila.

For the past year, the university has focused heavily on creating a conducive learning environment that aims to support teaching and learning across all levels—specifically, we have completed the air-conditioning of all our classrooms for the Tertiary Education Department as well as the air-conditioning of Grades 1 & 10 classrooms of our Basic Education Department. Aside from these significant changes, we also continue to undertake subtler yet equally important initiatives that are geared towards ensuring that the foundations of succeeding projects are firmly in place. This year, in particular, we shall see the initial implementation of our 5-year rolling institutional strategic plan which aims to strengthen government and industry partnerships for the development of skilled and knowledgeable graduates, and build and expand fiscal resources for the provision of better and wider access to Lasallian education—among others.

As we move forward to the next chapter of our history, I also encourage all of us to actively take part in and support this year's upcoming institutional activities: in September of this year, in our second outing in the National Athletic Association of Schools, Colleges, and Universities; in January 2019, in the celebration of our 73rd Foundation Anniversary; and in May 2019, in the commemoration of the 300th year death anniversary of St. John Baptist de La Salle, our patron and the founder of the Institute of the Brothers of the Christian Schools. I ask that we celebrate all these activities together, so that we can fuel the ANIMO spirit as one community.

The tasks that lie ahead of us do not become easier, but I am sure that through our collective hard work and perseverance, we will be able to remain a university that not only educates, but transforms and empowers the next generation of Filipinos.

Live Jesus in our hearts, forever!

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*Dr. Bjorn S. Santos*

President