SCHOOL: STRONG TOWER ACADEMY

SUBJECT: CIVIC EDUCATION

TOPIC: RESPONSIBLE PARENTHOOD

CLASS: SS2

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NOTE FOR WEEK TWO

### STYLES/PATTERNS OF RESPONSIBLE PARENTHOOD

- 1. Authoritarian style or pattern: Here, parents are expected to assert and exert their control on the children/wards in order to make them responsible children/adults
- 2. Harmonious (democratic) style: Here, parents allow their children to have input into the situation of things at home. Children's opinions are welcome.
- 3. Authoritative style: Here parents, due to their wealth of knowledge and experiences, use it to instruct, inform and direct the child's behavior, mission and knowledge.
- 4. Permissive style: Here, a parent is largely non-directive as regards the behavior of the child. It is a show of nonchalant and care-free attitude. This is the worst style of parenthood.

#### **ROLES OF RESPONSIBLE PARENTS**

- 1. Provision of formal and informal education for the children.
- 2. Providing good and sound moral training for the children
- 3. Upholding the virtue of care and love for their children
- 4. Good economic modeling to prevent reckless spending

- 5. Sound social modeling to indicate the trait of humanity, simplicity and respectfulness
- 6. Effective and prompt discipline
- 7. Provision of basic needs for the household
- 8. Provision of safe environment and protection
- 9. Guiding the children spiritually
- 10. Learning to respect the opinion and feelings of their children. Mutual respect is a necessity

# IMPORTANCE OF RESPONSIBLE PARENTHOOD IN NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- 1. There will be reduction in crime and other social vices that are prevalent among the youths
- 2. The future of the nation will be sustained and predictable.
- 3. It encourages and enhances the development of responsible citizenry
- 4. It helps to develop a healthy and useful citizenry
- 5. It encourages a balanced society, emotionally, and economically

# FACTORS THAT LEAD TO THE SUCCESS OF RESPONSIBLE PARENTHOOD

- 1. Physical and emotional maturity of parent
- 2. Educational literacy level of parents (educated parents are better prepared to face the challenges of parenthood)
- 3. Happiness and understanding among married couples
- 4. Extended family relationship

- 5. Emotional adjustment
- 6. Knowledge on child bearing
- 7. Financial stability
- 8. Good environment
- 9. Level of cooperation from other family members

#### **CONSTRAINTS OF RESPONSIBLE PARENTHOOD**

- 1. Poor financial strength
- 2. Unemployment
- 3. Death of either parent
- 4. Unconducive environment
- 5. Unguided external family interference
- 6. Spouse unhealthy rivalries
- 7. Absence of cooperation between the husband and wife
- 8. Peer pressure
- 9. Unguided busy schedule of parents