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In the Philippines, schools often give families little notice of ceremonies or celebrations due to several cultural and logistical factors. Firstly, Philippine culture places a high value on spontaneity and adaptability, which extends to educational institutions. While in some cultures, planning events well in advance is the norm, in the Philippines, there's a tendency to embrace flexibility and seize opportunities as they arise. This cultural inclination towards spontaneity may result in shorter notice periods for school events, as decisions are often made closer to the date of the ceremony or celebration. This then has a flow on effect to giving reasonable notice when requesting leave (something that is not encouraged within AUS).

Secondly, the educational system in the Philippines faces various challenges, including limited resources and administrative constraints. With schools managing large student populations and often operating with limited staff and funding, organising events can be a complex and demanding task. Consequently, schools may prioritize immediate concerns and logistical arrangements over providing extensive advance notice to families. This can result in shorter lead times for notifying parents and guardians about upcoming ceremonies or celebrations.



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Filipino culture emphasises communal involvement and strong community ties. As such, there's an expectation that families will actively participate in school events and functions, regardless of the notice period provided. This cultural mindset fosters a sense of unity and cooperation within the school community but may also contribute to the practice of giving shorter notice for ceremonies or celebrations.

Ultimately, while the short notice may pose challenges for some families in terms of planning and attendance, it reflects the dynamic and adaptable nature of Philippine culture and its educational institutions.

Australian culture appreciates notice when it comes to events, absences and other situation's where we may need to step away from work. This has mostly been instilled in our culture as it is the norm due to the luxury of having strong healthcare, schooling, governments and more.