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2003 PRESIDENT GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO
ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS (PGMA-AA)

To: Regional Directors
Schools Division/City Superintendents
Heads, Public and Private Secondary Schools

1. The Office of the President announces the 2003 President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo Achievement Awards (PGMA-AA) which envision to recognize the outstanding achievements and contributions of graduating students in all private and public high schools.
2. These awards will serve as inspiration and challenge to the Filipino youth who aim to achieve academic excellence, to develop their leadership abilities to the fullest and to contribute innovations in science and technology. Thus, high school students who possess these potentials are encouraged to participate in this activity. See enclosure for mechanics and guidelines.
3. Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.


EDILBERTO C. DE JESUS
Secretary

Encl.:
As stated

Reference:
None

Allotment: 1—(D.O 50-97)

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index
under the following subjects:

PRIZES or AWARDS
SECONDARY EDUCATION
STUDENTS

A. Rationale

The PGMA-Achievement Award (PGMA-AA) aims to give recognition to the outstanding achievements of graduating students in both public and private high schools all over the country.

The PGMA-AA will also serve as inspiration and challenge to all Filipino youth to aim equally for academic excellence, outstanding qualities and achievements as leaders, and contribute in a significant way to Science and Technology that will propel the advancement of the country in all aspects. This is to highlight the goal of developing a new breed of leaders and Filipino citizenry imbued with intellectual superiority, sensibility and the heart or compassion for the welfare of the country and the Filipino people.

The PGMA-AA is the highest form of award system in the academic community to recognize exemplary achievements and the critical role of the youth in national development towards the building of a strong Republic as envisioned by Her Excellency, President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo.

B. Coverage

The PGMA-AA has three categories for each level: Secondary Schools Leadership, Academic Excellence, and Science & Technology.

C. Process of Selection and Screening

- General Qualification Requirements
 1. A Filipino citizen
 2. Enrolled in a secondary school duly recognized by the Philippine Government through the Department of Education.
- Documentary Requirements
 1. Duly accomplished nomination form with 2x2 color picture
 2. Certificate of the Institutional Heads (Department Head, School Registrar) as to be the authenticity/veracity of records/documents submitted (grades, awards/recognition received)
 3. Certification of good moral standing from the Guidance and Counseling Office
 4. Duly certified/recommended by the School Search Committees (for each category or for all categories) the final list or names of awardees.
- Selection/Screening Committee/s
 - a) All participating institutions (high School) will organize and identify the composition of their respective Selection/Screening Committee/s. The suggested composition of the Selection/Screening Committee is as follows:
 - Chairman: President/School Head/Principal
 - Vice-Chairman: Asst. School Head
 - Members: Guidance Counselor
 - Faculty/Association President
 - Alumni Association President
 - Student Association/Body representative

b) The respective institutions will approve or certify to the veracity/correctness of the results of the selection/screening done and fill up the certification forms to be provided for this purpose for submission to the National Awards Committee, for documentation and records

- **Deadlines**

a) February 28, 2003 shall be the submission of individual institutions' (high school) letter of notice/assurance of having nominees in the three categories or any of the categories; and date of graduation program. This will be the basis for the distribution or allocation of the corresponding awards per institution/school.

b) March 31, 2003 shall be the submission by the President/School Head or Principal of the participating Institutions (high school) to the National Awards Committee/Steering Committee the final list or names of awardees for each category with the corresponding duly certified/authenticated documents and/or results of the selection/screening.

D. Criteria for evaluation for each category:

Over all, the institution (high school) is given the leeway to add to the minimum criteria herein stated for each category and re-assign corresponding rating.

- **Leadership**
 - a) Leadership Qualities 50%
 - b) Personal Qualities and Character 10%
 - c) Community Involvement and Extra-Curricular Activities 20%
 - d) Academic Achievements 20%
- **Academic Excellence**
 - a) Consistent honor student 50%
 - b) Recipient of awards for Academic Excellence 25%
 - c) Evidence of Intellectual and communication skills 25%
- **Science & Technology**
 - a) Developed invention or innovation in S & T adjudged as meritorious by professional organizations as having prospects or bearing or impact on national/regional development, technology advancement, etc.) 50%
 - b) Recipient of Award in an S & T competition (Regional, National, International) 20%
 - c) Academic performance/publications 15%
 - d) Outstanding membership & contribution in S & T organizations/club 15%