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Department of Education



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NATIONAL HEROES DAY

To: Bureau Directors

Directors of Services/Centers and Heads of Units

Regional Directors

Schools Division/City Superintendents

Heads, Public and Private Elementary and Secondary Schools

All Others Concerned

- 1. By virtue of Republic Act No. 3827, the nation will celebrate the **National Heroes Day** on the last Sunday of August. This is in commemoration of the known and unknown heroes of the Philippine Revolution, the Philippine-American War and World War II. The National Historical Commission of the Philippines (NHCP), in cooperation and coordination with other government agencies and non-government organizations/associations, will lead the undertaking of various historical and cultural activities to observe this event.
- 2. This significant occasion in Philippine history will be highlighted by the Wreath-Laying Ceremonies to be held at the *Libingan Ng Mga Bayani* (LNMB), Fort Bonifacio, Taguig City on August 29, 2011. The Wreath-Laying Ceremonies will also be replicated in different cities and municipalities nationwide to be spearheaded by the local government units (LGUs).
- 3. In support of the celebration, the Department of Education (DepEd) will join in the commemorative program and activities at the LNMB. The DepEd National Capital Region (NCR)-Division of Taguig-Pateros shall be the lead division.
- 4. To make this year's celebration more meaningful, all public and private schools are encouraged to carry out activities integrated in related subject areas such as *Sibika at Kultura*, *Hekasi*, *Araling Panlipunan*, Values Education, Music, Arts, Physical Education and Health (MAPEH), Filipino and English during classroom discussions to highlight the courage and patriotism of these national heroes.
- 5. Likewise, during the week of August 22-26, the teachers may conduct classroom essay writing, drawing, storytelling, debate and oratorical contests on the values, heroism, nationalism, patriotism and love of country, which were exhibited by the heroes during the trying periods of this country. To end the week, the Social Studies Department may spearhead the conduct of a simple campus program to be participated in by the students.
- 6. School heads with the Social Studies department heads are requested to submit a report/documentation on the activities undertaken by the schools in relation with the celebration addressed to **Dir. Anna Cristina M. Ganzon**, Director III, Office of the Secretary, DepEd Complex, Meralco Avenue, Pasig City (Attn.: **Ms. Luzviminda F. Dela Rosa**, Head, Special Events Unit), copy furnished the Regional Director and Schools Division/City Superintendent.



- 7. For more details, please visit the Office of Special Events Unit (SEU) located at Room 505 Bonifacio Bldg., DepEd Complex, Meralco Avenue, Pasig City or contact this Office at telephone nos.: (02) 637-5832; or (02) 637-5834.
- 8. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

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Secretary

Reference:

DepEd Memorandum: No. 304, s. 2007

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