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ACTIVITIES OF THE SUPREME PUPIL GOVERNMENTS (SPG), SUPREME STUDENT GOVERNMENTS (SSG) AND OTHER SCHOOL-BASED CO-CURRICULAR CLUBS OR ORGANIZATIONS FOR THE NATIONAL TEACHERS' MONTH AND WORLD TEACHERS' DAY CELEBRATIONS

To: Undersecretaries
Assistant Secretaries
Bureau Directors
Regional Directors
Schools Division Superintendents
Heads, Public and Private Elementary and Secondary Schools
All Others Concerned

1. Pursuant to the Synchronized Programs, Projects and Activities of DepEd Memorandum No. 155, s. 2013, all Supreme Pupil Governments (SPGs), Supreme Student Governments (SSGs) and other school-based co-curricular clubs or organizations shall actively participate in the 2013 National Teachers' Month (NTM) and World Teachers' Day (WTD) Celebrations from September 5 to October 5, 2013 with the theme *My Teacher, My Hero*.

2. In view thereof, the following organizational matters shall be observed and accomplished to achieve a united, synchronized, fun and successful conduct of NTM and WTD activities:

- a. The SPGs and the SSGs in all public and private schools shall lead the planning and implementation of all activities pertinent to the celebrations;
- b. As often as possible, the SPGs, with the guidance of their advisers, shall call all presidents/heads/representatives of school-based co-curricular clubs or organizations to a meeting, while the SSGs shall convene the Coordinating Council of Campus Co-Curricular Organizations in accordance with DepEd Order No. 79, s. 2009, entitled *Revised Standard Constitution and By-Laws of the Supreme Student Governments in Secondary Schools*, or its equivalent for the planning of activities, identification of assignments of each participating school-based co-curricular club or organization and follow-up of updates and progress in the preparations;
- c. Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and other school-based co-curricular clubs or organizations may plan their own NTM and WTD activities, provided these activities are properly coordinated with the SPG or SSG concerned;
- d. The Parents-Teachers Associations (PTAs) officers, Local Government Units (barangay, municipality or city) and other government agencies officials, community, business, socio-civic organizations and non-government organizations leaders, and church leaders shall be invited and engaged in the planning and implementation of activities relative to NTM and WTD celebrations; and,

- e. Coordination with the school heads (SHs), district supervisors, schools division/city superintendents (SDSs) and regional directors (RDs) shall be regularly conducted for the implementation of various activities for the NTM and WTD celebrations.

3. In accordance with the Synchronized Programs, Projects and Activities for the NTM and WTD pursuant to DepEd Memorandum No. 155, s. 2013 entitled *2013 National Teachers' Month and World Teachers' Day Celebrations*, the following shall be included in the plan and shall be actively implemented:

- a. Posting of streamers and banners on the NTM and WTD on bulletin boards and other conspicuous venues;
- b. Conduct of special activities to honor teachers including, but not limited to, tree planting and contests (such as on-the-spot poster-making, essay-writing, Thank You card design and text contests) involving pupils and students;
- c. Invitation for pupils/students and everyone else who has been a student to say "Thank You" to at least one teacher who has made a difference in his or her life;
- d. Publication of feature stories or write-ups on teachers through school papers, websites, social networking sites and other online channels;
- e. Engaging of local televisions and radio stations and local newspapers and publications to participate in various activities;
- f. Posting of comments, greetings, pictures and others to www.facebook.com/depedtmc and/or to www.facebook.com/DepEd.Philippines beginning September 5 until October 5, 2013;
- g. Synchronized ringing/sounding of school and church bells at 10:05 a.m. of October 4, 2013 (Friday) as signal for the World Teachers' Day celebration and simultaneous recitation of the *Panalangin Para sa mga Guro*;
- h. Holding of a culminating activity on October 4 or 5 to be highlighted by a Tribute Program, parlor games, sportsfest, parade and other leisure and fun activities for teachers;
- i. Recognition of teachers' efforts by giving awards to both active and retired teachers during the Tribute Program;
- j. Organizing Grade VI pupils to Fourth Year High School students to handle the classes on behalf of the teachers, while the Tribute Program is being held;
- k. Coordination with business establishments and other private organizations regarding the provision of significant discounts, special rates and special treats for teachers to be availed from September 5 to October 5, 2013, and
- l. Grant teachers' wishes for themselves or for others during the month-long celebration.

4. The activities for the NTM and WTD celebrations shall be undertaken by the SPGs, SSGs and other school-based co-curricular clubs or organizations (such as Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, STEP, YECS, YES-O, Science Club, English Club, Mathematics Club and others) in the most creative, festive and memorable way possible. Expenses for the celebrations shall be charged to SSG Developmental Funds, voluntary contributions and/or donations from local government units, individual and private sponsors.

5. All SHs, SDSs and RDs are encouraged to support all activities to be undertaken by the SPGs, SSGs and other school-based co-curricular clubs or organizations.
6. All activities conducted pursuant to the NTM and WTD celebrations shall be documented with clear pictures and narratives, and posted on www.facebook.com/depedtmc and/or www.facebook.com/DepEd.Philippines starting September 5 to October 31, 2013, including the name of the school and the school-based co-curricular clubs or organizations involved. Compliance to the reports and other requirements shall be monitored by the Office of the Secretary (OSec) through the Department of Education-Center for Students and Co-Curricular Affairs (DepEd-CSCA).
7. For queries and clarifications, all concerned may contact **Atty. Ernesto R. Sotto Jr.**, Officer-in-Charge (OIC), Department of Education-Center for Students and Co-Curricular Affairs (DepEd-CSCA) at 119 Mabini Building, DepEd Complex, Meralco Avenue, Pasig City; telephone nos.: (02) 631-8495; (02) 636-3603 or through email address: cscaportal@gmail.com or the National Teachers' Month Coordinating Council (NTMCC) c/o Metrobank Foundation (MBF), Inc. at telephone no.: (02) 857-0618 or email address: amor.macalalad@metrobank.com.ph.
8. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.


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Secretary

References:

DepEd Order: (No. 79, s. 2009)

DepEd Memorandum: No. 155, s. 2013 and 126, s. 2012

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