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Department of Education

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DepEd MEMORANDUM
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**119TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE PROCLAMATION
OF PHILIPPINE INDEPENDENCE**

To: Bureau and Service Directors
Regional Directors
Schools Division Superintendents
Public and Private Elementary and Secondary Schools Heads
All Others Concerned

1. Pursuant to DepEd Memorandum No. 48, s. 2017 entitled *2017 Conduct of National Observances and Commemorations of Historical Events and Related Activities*, the **119th Anniversary of the Proclamation of Philippine Independence** will be commemorated from May 28 to June 30, 2017 with the theme *Kalayaan 2017: Pagbabagong Sama-samang Balikatin*. All the departments, bureaus, offices, government agencies, and government owned and controlled corporations are enjoined to give full support, assistance, and cooperation to the National Steering Committee (NSC), chaired by the National Historical Commission of the Philippines (NHCP) in the exercise of its responsibilities and functions to achieve the objectives of the celebration.

2. This year's Celebration aims to:

- a. commemorate the heroism, patriotism, nationalism, and self-sacrifice of the forefathers in the struggle of independence;
- b. instill in the hearts and minds of the youth the greatness of the Filipino race, the legacy of their national heroes, and ideals of their nationhood; and
- c. show unity and strength during challenging times.

3. The Exhibit on Government Programs and Services (*Pampamahalaang Programa at Serbisyo*) offered by the different agencies will be held from June 10 to 12, 2017, between 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. at the Rizal Park, Roxas Boulevard, Manila. The Department of Education (DepEd) Offices which will be invited to participate are the following:

- a. Bureau of Curriculum Development (BCD);
- b. Bureau of Learning Delivery (BLD);
- c. Bureau of Education Assessment (BEA);
- d. Bureau of Learning Resources (BLR);
- e. Bureau of Learner Support Services (BLSS);
- f. External Partnerships Service (EPS);

With assistance from:

- g. Administrative Service (General Services Division and Security Unit); and
- h. Special Events Unit of EPS (as National Technical Working Group/Coordinator).

4. To commemorate the 119th Anniversary of the Battle of Alapan, and to observe the National Flag Day, the following activities are suggested to be undertaken by the Central Office (CO), regional offices (ROs), schools division offices (SDOs), and schools:

- a. Display and raise Flag from **May 18 to June 30, 2017**;
- b. Military and Civic parade;
- c. Flag reverence and advocacy activities;
- d. Cultural presentations;
- e. Classroom discussions of the significant events in history which led to the Proclamation of Philippine Independence especially in *Sibika at Kultura*, *HEKASI*, *Araling Panlipunan*, Values Education, Music, Arts, Physical Education and Health (MAPEH), Filipino and English;
- f. Conduct of inter-school campus essay-writing, drawing, storytelling, debate and oratorical contests;
- g. Conduct of symposium, round table discussion to raise awareness in the event, the values, nationalism, patriotism and love of the country which were exhibited by the Filipinos during the trying periods of this country;
- h. Conduct of a simple campus program to be participated in by the pupils and students to be spearheaded by the Social Studies Department;
- i. Putting up of a Bulletin Board or a venue within the campus and display informative materials concerning the commemorative events;
- j. A month-long sharing of insights on the same topic is encouraged during the Flag Ceremony at the ROs, SDOs, and schools; and
- k. Other creative and fitting activities.

5. All the DepEd CO, ROs, SDOs, and school levels officials, teachers, pupils and students are encouraged to actively participate in the scheduled activities.


6. The Department is requesting the support, assistance and cooperation of the ROs in the *Simultaneous Flag Raising and Wreath-Laying Ceremonies* on **June 12, 2017, 7:00 a.m.** at the different historical sites and venues contained in the Enclosure. Cabinet Secretaries and/or their representatives (Undersecretary or Assistant Secretary level) are enjoined to attend the Flag Raising and Wreath-Laying Ceremonies where the President is attending.

7. Teachers who will attend the activity scheduled on weekends (Saturday and/or Sunday) or holidays will be given one day service credits depending on the number of weekends/holidays the activity falls on, as stipulated in Item 1.d.k of DepEd Order (DO) 53, s. 2003 entitled *Updated Guidelines on Grants of Vacation Service Credits to Teachers*; and in DO 84, s. 2003 entitled *Addendum to DepEd Order No. 53, s. 2003*. While non-teaching personnel from Central and field offices are entitled to avail the compensatory time-off (CTO) as per Civil Service Commission and Department of Budget and Management Joint Circular No. 2, s. 2004.

8. The travel expenses of the TWG, meals, communication, documentation, supplies and carpentry materials, preparatory and other incidental expenses, from May 28 to June 30, 2017, shall be charged to 2017 MOOE Funds, while the travel expenses of the exhibitors from different DepEd offices and participating schools, production materials such as flyers, tarpaulins and other materials shall be charged to local funds, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

9. For more information, all concerned may contact **Mr. Romeo B. Parayno**, Head External Partnerships Service–Special Events Unit, Department of Education (DepEd) Central Office, DepEd Complex, Meralco Avenue, Pasig City at telephone nos. (02) 637-5832 and (02) 637-5834 or through mobile phone nos. 0922-463-6626, 0918-689-3158, and 0929-598-9089.

10. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.



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Undersecretary
Officer-in-Charge

Encl:

As stated

References:

DepEd Memorandum Nos.: 100, s. 2013; (48, s. 2017)
DepEd Order (Nos.: 53, s. 2003; 84, s. 2003)

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119th Anniversary of the Proclamation of Philippine Independence**119th National Flag Day Celebration**

May 28, 2017, 7:00am

REGION/DIVISION CONCERNED	PARTICIPANTS	VENUE	GUEST OF HONOR
Region IV- CALABARZON – Division of Cavite	Attendance of concerned officials (Central Office, Region, Division) supervisors, principals, teachers and students from nearby schools.	Heritage Park, Miguel Santo, Alapan II-B, Imus, Cavite	Usec. Janet Abuel

Simultaneous Flag Raising and Wreath-Laying Ceremonies

June 12, 2017, 7:00am

REGION/DIVISION CONCERNED	NO. OF PARTICIPANTS REQUESTED {composed of concerned officials (Central Office, Region, Division) supervisors, principals, teachers and students from nearby schools}	VENUE	GUEST OF HONOR
Region III – Division of Malolos City	200	Museo ng Republika ng 1899, Malolos, Bulacan	Senate President Aquilino Pimentel III
Region III – Division of Angeles City	200	Museo ng kasaysayang Panlipunan ng Pilipinas, Angeles City, Pampanga	DENR Secretary, Regina Paz L. Lopez
Region IV-CALABARZON – Division of Cavite	200	Museo ni Emilio Aguinaldo, Kawit, Cavite	Pampilo Lacson
Region VII - Division of Cebu City	200	(for coordination with the Local Government Unit of Cebu City)	c/o: LGU Cebu City
Region XI - Division of Davao City	200	(for coordination with the Local Government Unit of Davao City)	c/o: LGU Davao City
☆ Region NCR - All 16 Divisions	500	Rizal National Monument, Roxas Blvd., Manila	President Rodrigo Roa Duterte
Region NCR - Division of Caloocan City	200	Bonifacio Monument, Caloocan City	Chief Justice Maria Lourdes PA Sereno
Region NCR Division of Manila	200	Mausoleo de los Veteranos dela Revolucion, Manila North Cemetery	DND Secretary Delfin Lorenzana
Region NCR - Division of San Juan City	200	Museo ng Katipunan, San Juan City	Speaker Pantalion Alvarez
Region NCR - Division of Quezon City	200	(for coordination with the Local Government Unit of Quezon City)	c/o: LGU Quezon City
Region 1, II, IV-MIMAROPA, V, VI, NIR, VIII, IX, X, XII, CARAGA, CAR, ARMM	200	(for coordination with the local Government Unit)	c/o: LGU