

Republic of the Philippines Bepartment of Education



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DepED MEMORANDUM No. 757, s. 2007

2007 NATIONAL OBSERVANCE OF DEAF AWARENESS WEEK

To: Bureau Directors
Regional Directors
Schools Division/City Superintendents
Private Elementary and Secondary School Principals

- 1. Pursuant to Presidential Proclamation No. 829 dated November 8, 1991 (copy enclosed), the 2007 National Observance of Deaf Awareness Week will be observed on November 10-16, 2007 with the theme "Silence Speaks Beyond Barriers through...Collaboration for Advocacy and Empowerment" (Mga Hadlang Buwagin... Mga Hinaing ay Dinggin).
- 2. The observance aims to strengthen public awareness on deafness, its prevention and rehabilitation and ensure the integration of the hearing impaired in the mainstream of the society.
- 3. All public, private, special schools with programs for the deaf and SPED Centers are encouraged to undertake any of the following activities provided that the Engaged Time-on-Task policy of the Department shall be observed as stipulated in DepED Order No. 9, s. 2005:
 - a. hanging of streamers;
 - b. academic competitions;
 - c. arts and crafts competitions;
 - d. visual and performing arts competitions;
 - e. sports competitions with hearing students;
 - f. open house;
 - g. leadership training;
 - h. free hearing screening;
 - i. parent symposia on the early detection, intervention and education of the deaf; and
 - j. tree planting.
- 4. For further queries, please contact the following: Dr Yolanda T. Capulong, Special Schools Principal II, Philippine School for the Deaf, # 2620

F.B. Harrison, Pasay City at tel. no. 831-67-32 or cellphone number 0916-237-7713 or Ms. Mirla R. Olores, Chief, Special Education Division, BEE, DepED, 2/F Bonifacio Building, Meralco Avenue, Pasig City, at tel. no. 631-99-93 or 632-13-61 (70) local 2054.

5. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

TEODOSIO C. SANGIL, JR.
Undersecretary
Officer-in-Charge

Encl.:

As stated

Reference:

DepED Memorandum: No. 351, s. 2006

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PRESIDENTIAL PROCLAMATION NO. 829

DECLARING THE PERIOD FROM NOVEMBER 10 - 16 OF EVERY YEAR AS

"DEAF AWARENESS WEEK"

WHEREAS, the deaf, a vital segment of our society, can be transformed into a significant force in the efforts for national development; and

WHEREAS, consistent with the foregoing, there is need to focus public gwareness on deafness, its prevention and rehabilitation.

NOW, THEREFORE, 1, CORAZON C. AQUINO, PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby declare NOVEMBER 10 to 16 of every year as "Deafness Awareness Week" under the auspices of the Philippine Institute for the Deaf and the Philippine School for the Deaf and other concerned organizations.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Republic of the Philippines to be affixed.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 8th day of November, in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety one.

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