



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education



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DepED MEMORANDUM
No. **452**, s. 2008

7TH NATIONAL TEACHERS CONGRESS ON VISUAL IMPAIRMENT

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

1. The Department of Education (DepED) through the Special Education Division (SPED) of the Bureau of Elementary Education (BEE), in cooperation with the Resources for the Blind, Inc. (RBI) and Christoffel Blindenmission will hold the **7th National Teachers Congress on Visual Impairment** at the Apo View Hotel, Davao City on December 4-7, 2008. The theme of the Congress is "Facing the Challenges of Inclusive Education for Learners with Visual Impairment".

2. The Congress aims to:

- a. improve the skills of specialized and general classroom teachers to facilitate access for all children with visual impairment in appropriate programs;
- b. identify means to effectively facilitate the necessary educational provision to all children with visual impairment; and
- c. identify strategies to overcome the different challenges of providing effective educational program to children with visual impairment.

3. Special education teachers, school administrators with special education programs from public and private schools, supervisors in-charge of special education from the regional and sub-regional levels, schools division superintendents, assistant schools division superintendents, chiefs/assistant chiefs of the Elementary and Secondary Divisions, other Government Organizations and Non-Government Organizations working for children with special needs are invited to attend. Participants from public schools are allowed to attend **on official business**.

4. Transportation, registration fees, per diem and other allowable expenses incident to the participation of those coming from the government institutions shall be charged against local funds subject to its availability and the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations. Participants from private

institutions shall make their own financial arrangements with their respective schools/offices.

5. The registration form and the program of activities are found in Enclosures Nos. 1 and 2.

6. Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.



JESLI A. LAPUS
Secretary

Encls.:

As stated

Reference:

DepED Memorandum: No. 464, s. 2004

Allotment: 1- -(D.O. 50-97)

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index

under the following subjects:

CONFERENCES
SPECIAL EDUCATION
TEACHERS

Maricar/DM-Visual Impairment
09-12-08

7th National Teachers Congress on Visual Impairment

Theme: **Facing the Challenges of Inclusive Education for Learners with Blindness and Visual Impairment**

The Apo View Hotel, Davao City
December 04 - 07, 2008

REGISTRATION FORM

PLEASE SUBMIT COMPLETED
FORM ON OR BEFORE
21 November 2008

Resources for the Blind, Inc.
Box 80540 DCCPO 8000 Davao
City, Philippines
Tel. Nos. 082- 225-8937 to 38
Fax: (082) 225-8938
Email:

davao@blind.org.ph
jasmin@blind.org.ph

I. Contact Details

Title: Prof. Dr. Mr. Ms. Mrs.
Last Name: _____ Middle Name: _____ First Name: _____
Designation: _____ School/Organization/Institution: _____
Address: _____
Region: _____ Telephone: _____ Fax: _____ Email _____
Name that should appear in the conference ID: _____

II. Registration Notes

- Special Diet:
Please identify any special dietary requirements such as vegetarian meals _____
- Special requirements:
Please identify any special requirements such as mobility assistance, Braille or large print program

III. Registration Fees

- Inclusion of conference fee:
Live in participants - Full board and lodging for 3 nights and conference kit
Live out participants -3 lunch and am/pm snacks and conference kit
- Check in time: **starts at 2:00 pm, 04 December 2008**
- Check out time: **12:00 noon, 07 December 2008**

1. Early Bird Paid Registration

- **SPED Teachers for the blind – first 150 participants fully paid before Nov. 3**
 - Triple Occupancy - P 4, 000. 00/head
- **School Administrators – first 100 participants fully paid before Nov. 3**
 - Triple Occupancy - P 5, 000. 00/head

2. At the Conference

A. All participants

- Double Occupancy - P 6, 700. 00/head
- Triple Occupancy - P 6, 000. 00/head
- Live out - P 2, 200.00/head

IV. Mode of Payment

- Check or money order payable to Resources for the Blind, Inc.
- Bank transfer should be made at Banco de Oro Rustans Cubao Branch
Account Name: Resources for the Blind, Inc.
Account Number: 403-000-4965
- Please email or fax your duplicate deposit slip with your name, date deposited to davao@blind.org.ph fax number (082) 225-8938 for recording and issuance of official receipt

For more information, contact:

Congress Secretariat:

Resources for the Blind, Inc. Davao Office

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Enclosure No. 2 to DepED Memorandum No. 452, s. 2008

7th National Teachers Congress on Visual Impairment
Theme: Facing the New Challenges of Inclusive Education for
Learners with Visual Impairment
The Apo View Hotel, Davao City
December 04 - 07, 2008

PROGRAMME AT A GLANCE

Thursday 04th December

12:00 Registrations
2:00 Committee Meeting
4:00 Welcome Address
6:00 Dinner

Friday 05th December

7:30 Registration
9:00 **Plenary Session 1: Keynote Address**
10:00 Coffee Break
10:30 **Concurrent Sessions 1**
A. Access to Literacy
B. Professional Collaboration
C. Multi-Disabilities and Visual Impairment
D. Early Childhood Intervention
12:00 Lunch
1:30 **Concurrent Sessions 2**
A. Low Vision
B. New Service Models
C. Research
D. Families
3:00 Coffee Break
3:30 **Concurrent Sessions 3**
A. Personnel Preparation
B. Access and Information Technologies
C. Professional Collaboration
D. Curriculum
6:00 Dinner

Saturday 06th December

8:30 Exhibition
9:00 **Plenary Session 2 – Equality of Access to Education**
10:00 Coffee Break

10:30 **Concurrent Sessions 4**

- A. Low Vision
- B. New Service Models
- C. Research
- D. Families
- E. Personnel Preparation

12:00 Lunch

1:30 **Concurrent Sessions 5**

- A. Personnel Preparation
- B. Access and Information Technologies
- C. Professional Collaboration
- D. Curriculum
- E. New Service Models

3:00 Coffee Break

3:30 **Concurrent Sessions 6**

- A. Transition
- B. Professional Collaboration
- C. New Curriculum
- D. New Service Models

6:00 Dinner

Sunday 07th December

8:30 Exhibition

9:00 **Plenary Session 3 – Keynote Address**

10:00 Coffee Break

10:30 **Plenary Session 4 -Closing Ceremony
Awarding of Outstanding Teacher for the Blind**

12:00 Lunch