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 Office of the Secretary*

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DECS ORDER
No. 10, s. 2000

**IMPLEMENTATION OF THE JOURNALISM PROGRAM AS AN INTEGRAL PART
 OF COMMUNICATION ARTS (ENGLISH AND FILIPINO) EFFECTIVE
 SY 2000-2001**

To: Regional Directors
 Schools Division/City Superintendents

1. Section 2 of R.A. 7079 (An Act Providing for the Development and Promotion of Campus Journalism and for Other Purposes) states: "It is the declared policy of the State to uphold and protect the freedom of the press even at the campus level.... In furtherance of this policy, the State shall undertake various programs and projects aimed at improving the journalistic skills of students and promoting responsible and free journalism".

2. One effective avenue for enhancing the journalistic competence of students is the purposeful development of these writing skills in the curriculum, specifically in the communication arts subjects where writing is taught as a basic skill.

3. Inasmuch as the language writing competencies reflected in the Philippine Secondary Schools Learning Competencies (PSSLC) are included among the macro skills, the implementation of the Journalism Program as an integral part of the English and Filipino Communication Arts curriculum is in order.

4. The grade in Communication Arts (English and Filipino) will be based on certain criteria weighted accordingly as follows:

Periodical Test	25%
Projects	15%
(Theme writing, Home Reading Report, Mini Research Work, Book Review/Critique, Journalistic Writing, Student's Journal)	
Class Recitation/Interaction	30%
(Group Discussion, Role Play/Simulation, Debate/Argumentation, Extemporaneous Speech, Journalistic Reporting)	
Quizzes	20%
Unit/Summative Test	10%
TOTAL	100%

5. All prior DECS issuances which are inconsistent with this Order are hereby amended and/or rescinded.
6. Immediate and prompt dissemination of this Order to all concerned is desired.

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Secretary

Reference:

DECS Order: No. 94, s. 1992

Allotment: 1—(D.O. 50-97)

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index
under the following subjects:

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