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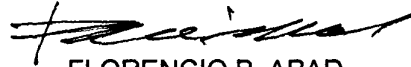
**METROBANK FOUNDATION SEARCH FOR OUTSTANDING TEACHERS 2005**

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

1. The Metrobank Foundation, Inc. (MBFI), in cooperation with the Department of Education (DepED), announces the launching of the Search for Outstanding Teachers 2005. Now on its 21<sup>st</sup> year, the Search has awarded a total of 236 outstanding teachers from public and private schools all over the country.
2. This Search aims to recognize Filipino teachers who devote their lives to the teaching profession through exemplary competence and dedication to the development of the youth, and who best serve as models of excellence and morality.
3. The Search is open to all teachers with full-time status and with full load in the elementary schools, secondary schools and colleges/universities or higher education institutions (colleges and universities), who have been actively teaching in the Philippines for the last 10 years (inclusive of leaves not exceeding two years, provided it is not during the nomination period). For the 10-year period, actual teaching experience should be more than five (5) years. For both elementary and secondary categories, the basic educational requirement is bachelor's degree. Performance ratings should at least be "Very Satisfactory" for the last five (5) years.
4. Each school is entitled to one nominee for each category and nominees must be officially endorsed by principals, head teachers or school heads, who are the only ones authorized to nominate teachers to the Search. For DepED Schools without principals, the Teacher-in-Charge (TIC) can nominate, but the Schools Division/City Superintendent (SDS) must endorse the nomination. Head Teachers (HTs) and TICs are eligible to join the Search, provided they carry a teaching load of at least 50% of the total load required by the nominating school for full-time faculty. However, they should be endorsed by any of the Division Supervisors, but the SDS shall be the official nominator.
5. The nominators are required to accomplish and sign the nomination forms with the complete required attachments (one original copy and three (3) photocopies with attached original 2X2 colored photos) and submit them directly or send them by registered mail to Metrobank Foundation, Inc., 15<sup>th</sup> Floor, Metrobank Plaza, Sen. Gil J. Puyat Avenue, Makati City, or to any Metrobank or PSBank Branches nearest to the nominee's school. "Please do not send the supporting documents yet". The deadline for submission of the nomination forms shall be on or before February 14, 2005. Nominations sent by mail should be postmarked on or before the same date.

6. For more information, please address your concerns, questions and suggestions and requests for additional forms to MBFI through tel. nos. (02) 898-8898, (02) 898-8855; (02) 750-0837; telefax: (02) 818-5656 or e-mail at [idlabitad@mbfoundation.org.ph](mailto:idlabitad@mbfoundation.org.ph). Other details are contained in the Search guidelines together with official Search nomination forms, brochures, and primers, which can be obtained from the Metrobank Foundation, Inc. Office, any Metrobank and PS Bank branch, DepED regional and division offices nationwide starting December 2004.

7. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.



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Secretary

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