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REGIONAL TEACHER TRAINING PROGRAM IN SIGN LANGUAGE

To: Bureau Directors
Regional Directors
Schools Division/City Superintendents

1. The Department of Education (DepEd)-Bureau of Elementary Education (BEE), Special Education (SPED) Division in coordination with the LINK Center for the Deaf, and in partnership with the Boeing Global Corporate Citizenship will conduct the **Regional Teacher Training Program in Sign Language** for public elementary school teachers in Luzon, Visayas and Mindanao.

2. The training program aims to:

- a. upgrade teachers' competencies in teaching elementary pupils who are deaf and hard of hearing;
- b. address preparation of teachers in the inclusion of pupils with hearing impairment in general education by training them in sign language;
- c. provide teachers with competencies in establishing and maintaining viable SPED programs; and
- d. empower children and youth with special needs to lead a more and fulfilled lives by providing them with equal educational opportunities for development.

3. The program is comprised of Sign Language training and seminars in Special Education as well as formal Sign Language Evaluation in the Basic and Intermediate Levels by the Philippine Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf (PRID). The training program is tentatively scheduled as follows:

Luzon Area:

Venue: Teachers Camp, Baguio City
Participants: SPED Teachers in Regions I, II, III, IV-A, IV-B, V, and CAR
Schedule: April 7-16, 2011

Visayas Area:

Venue: ECOTECH, Cebu City
Participants: SPED Teachers in Regions VI, VII and VIII
Schedule: May 1-10, 2011



Mindanao Area:

Venue: RELC, Cagayan de Oro City/Davao City

Participants: IX, X, XI, XII and XIII (Caraga)

Schedule: May 10-19,2011

4. Participants to this training are ten (10) regular public school teachers from different divisions throughout the regions. They must have identified school-aged children who are deaf for possible enrolment for school year 2011-2012. Teachers who are presently handling deaf children in special education or integrated classes, and those teachers who had attended the trainings provided by LINK Center for the Deaf are excluded in this training.

5. Meals for the participants, travel and honoraria of consultants, seminar kits and Sign Language Manuals will be provided by the LINK Center for the Deaf while the lodging and travel expenses of participants will be provided by the Regional Offices through the Division Local Funds or SPED Downloaded Funds only for those SPED Centers having program for children with hearing impairment.

6. For more information, please contact the Special Education Division at telephone no.: (02) 631-99-93 or Ms. Carolyn C. Ui, President, LINK Center for the Deaf, 2nd Floor MQI Bldg., 42 Esteban Abada cor. Rosa Alvero Sts., Loyola Heights, Quezon City at telephone nos.: (02) 426-0382 or (02) 436-5725, mobile phone nos.: 0916-657-2033/0922-825-7753 or at e-mail address: linkdeaf@yahoo.com.

7. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.


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Secretary 

Reference:
None

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