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Department of Education

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2012 PHILIPPINE YOUTH GAMES (PYGs) - BATANG PINOY

To: Undersecretaries
 Assistant Secretaries
 Bureau Directors
 Directors of Services, Centers, and Heads of Units
 Regional Directors
 Schools Division/City Superintendents
 Heads, Public Elementary and Secondary Schools
 All Others Concerned

1. Pursuant to Executive Order No. 44 from the Office of the President dated December 2, 1998 entitled *Declaring the Philippine Youth Games-Batang Pinoy as the National Sports Development Program for Children*, both the Department of Education (DepEd) and the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG) being co-chairmen of the National Physical Fitness and Sports Development Program (PFSDC) shall assist the Philippine Sports Commission (PSC) in planning, information dissemination, coordination, monitoring and actual implementation of the program. The **2012 Philippine Youth Games (PYGs) - Batang Pinoy** shall be held on the following dates/schedule, areas and venues:

Date	Cluster	Venue
September 17-21, 2012	NCR Leg Metro Manila Cities	Marikina City
October 10-13, 2012	Northern Luzon Leg Regions I-III and CAR	Lingayen, Pangasinan
October 24-27, 2012	Southern Luzon Leg Regions IV-A, IV-B and V	Oriental, Mindoro
November 21-24, 2012	Visayas Leg Regions VI-VIII	Tacloban City
November 7-10, 2012	Mindanao Leg Regions IX-XII, Caraga and ARMM	Cagayan de Oro City
December 5-8, 2012	National Championships	Iloilo City

2. The Philippine Youth Games (PYGs) aim to address the country's need for a comprehensive grassroots program centered on values formation inherent in the practice of sports and play such as patriotism, nationalism, self-discipline, respect for law and order, hard work, team work, camaraderie, sportsmanship and fair play. Thus, these games eliminate the child's chances of becoming a juvenile delinquent.

3. The DepEd through its regional and division offices shall extend its support to the successful staging of *2012 PYGs - Batang Pinoy*.

4. The guidelines for the participation of public school pupils and students as athletes, and the involvement of school officials and personnel, teachers, as well as coaches and officiating officials are as follows:

4.1. Expenses of the student-athletes and school coaches relative to their participation in the *2012 PYGs - Batang Pinoy* activities shall be shouldered by the local government units (LGUs) which they represent. *No funds coming from the DepEd shall be used for the 2012 PYGS - Batang Pinoy. There shall be no fund raising activity by field officials, public school administrators, or teachers for the same purpose.*

4.2. The LGUs shall coordinate with the division/city Schools Physical Education and School Sports (PESS) Supervisors regarding the identification, recruitment and participation of the student-athletes, and the designation of coaches. It is desired that they be guided by the performance standards set in their last/previous district/division athletic meets on deciding the events in which their athletes can compete.

4.3. Physical Education (PE) and other DepEd teachers and non-teaching employees selected by the National Sports Associations (NSAs), as confirmed by the PSC and approved by DepEd, through the respective schools division/city superintendents (SDSs) or head of office, to serve as officiating officials in the *2012 PYGs - Batang Pinoy* shall be allowed to serve on **official time**.

4.4. Make-up classes shall be held after each cluster and the national championships for all participating student-athletes to be arranged accordingly by their respective advisers and principals.

4.5. PSC shall allocate funds for the *2012 PYGs - Batang Pinoy*, which shall include, but not limited to food, accommodations, honoraria and transportation expenses of all DepEd technical officials to and from the host city.

4.6. Public school premises shall not be used as sports competition venues, billeting areas, and other related purposes; unless otherwise approved by DepEd through the Office of Undersecretary for Regional Operations.

5. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.


BR. ARMIN A. LUISTRO FSC
Secretary

Reference: None

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