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**Department of Education**

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**2015 NATIONAL INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY WEEK**

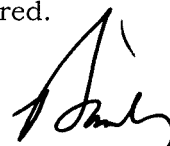
To: Bureau Directors  
Regional Directors  
Schools Division Superintendents  
Heads Public and Private Elementary and Secondary Schools  
All Others Concerned

1. The Department of Education (DepEd), in collaboration with other government and non-government organizations (NGOs), will celebrate the **2015 National Intellectual Disability Week** from February 14 to 20, 2015 pursuant to Presidential Proclamation No. 1385, s. 1975. This year's theme is *Inclusion in Action*.
2. This Department encourages all schools among those implementing the Special Education (SPED) programs, to conduct any of the following suggested school-based activities during the week:
  - a. inviting the public to visit schools and other classes or other educational service providers for children and youth with intellectual disabilities;
  - b. holding cultural shows, sportsfest, photo and work exhibits, advocacy campaign in radio and television shows and other activities, which will feature success stories and showcase the potential capabilities of children and youth with intellectual disabilities;
  - c. conducting dialogues with parents, service providers and other stakeholders on the theme of the celebration;
  - d. discussing best practices and systems approach to better improve inclusion of children with intellectual disabilities in the classroom, school and community during meetings of teachers and parents in regular classes or school program; and
  - e. organizing a day camp to provide opportunities for children and youth with disabilities to explore and learn while having fun and to highlight the celebration of the National Intellectual Disability Week.
3. At the National Capital Region (NCR), the Quezon City Government (QCG), in coordination with the Special Education (SPED) Division, Bureau of Elementary Education-Department of Education (BEE-DepEd), Philippine Association for Intellectual Disability Inc., Jaycees Capitol Inc. (JCI)-Quezon City, Manila Water (MW) and the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage System (MWSS) will sponsor the *Annual Camp Pag-ibig* at the Balara Filter Plant, Quezon City on **February 15, 2015**. Children enrolled in special classes, including teachers, administrators and supervisors are encouraged to join the activity. Conduct of the same activity in all regions is encouraged.
4. All activities to be undertaken should not disrupt classes nor compromise their supervision pursuant to DepEd Order No. 9, s. 2005 entitled *Instituting Measures to Increase Time-on-Task and Ensuring Compliance Therewith*. Activities, which are community-based should be conducted during Saturday and Sunday of the week.

5. All regional officials concerned shall submit a report on the conduct of activities related to the celebration within 30 days after the observance through email at [sped\\_bee.deped@yahoo.com](mailto:sped_bee.deped@yahoo.com).

6. For more information, all concerned may contact the **Special Education (SPED) Division**, Bureau of Elementary Education (BEE), Department of Education-Central Office (DepEd-CO), 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Bonifacio Building, DepEd Complex, Meralco Avenue, Pasig City, at telephone no: (02) 631-9993 or send a message through the abovestated email address.

7. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.



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Secretary

Reference:

DepEd Memorandum No.: 8, s. 2014

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