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**Department of Education**



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2008 HI\*STORY\*CAL\* LINKS NATIONAL COMPETITION

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

1. The Ayala Foundation and Fundacion Santiago in cooperation with the Gearing Up Internet Literacy and Access for Students (GILAS) Support Services will sponsor the 2008 Hi\*Story\*Cal\* Links National Competition. This is a national interactive IT competition on Philippine History.
2. The competition is structured along two stages: the Elimination/Selection Stage and the Grand Finals.
3. The contestants to this online competition are 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> year high school students of GILAS schools all over the country. School heads and ICT teachers are invited to encourage their students to join.
4. During the elimination or selection stage on November 20, 2008 at 10:00 am, the students will be gathered in the school's computer laboratory – one student per terminal. On said time and date, Fundacion Santiago will be e-blasting a 10-item historical trivia questionnaire to be answered exclusively by the students with no assistance whatsoever and sent back as soon as it has been duly replied.
5. From all the perfect score entities received, eight (8) finalists will be chosen: Two (2) from Luzon; Two (2) from Metro Manila; Two (2) from Visayas; and Two (2) from Mindanao who will be coming to Manila for the Grand Finals. Four substitute finalists will also be chosen, one each from Luzon, Visayas, Mindanao and Metro Manila.
6. During the Grand Finals, the finalists and their guardians, preferably a school teacher will participate in a Heritage Race within Intramuros and finally test their historical knowledge in front of a PC by playing the Hi\*Story\*Cal\* Links interactive digital CD game developed by Fundacion Santiago.
7. No participant will leave the competition empty handed and special prizes will be awarded to the first, second, and third place winners. While in Manila, they will be indulging in a series of activities that will make their three-day visit meaningful.
8. For more information regarding the contest, contact Choco Molina, Executive Director, Fundacion Santiago or Ms. Aizah Platon, GILAS Support Services at tel. no. 752-1186.
9. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

  
**VILMA L. LABRADOR**  
Undersecretary

Reference:

None

Allotment: 1- -(D.O. 50-97)

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index  
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