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DepED MEMORANDUM
No. **121** . s. 2009

67TH COMMEMORATION OF THE ARAW NG KAGITINGAN
AND PHILIPPINE VETERANS WEEK

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

1. Pursuant to Executive Order No. 203, s. 1987, declaring April 9 of every year as the Araw Ng Kagitingan and the Presidential Proclamation No. 466, s. 1989 declaring the period of April 5-11 of every year as the Philippine Veterans Week, all government agencies including government-owned and controlled corporations, non-government organizations, private associations and institutions, and individuals are enjoined to assist, cooperate, and participate in this historic commemoration. The theme of this year's celebration is **"Beteranong Pilipino: Kabalik Sa Pagsulong Ng Matatag na Republika"**.
2. The commemoration aims to promote, preserve, and memorialize the principles, ideals and deeds of the war veterans as a means to enhance patriotism and love of country, especially among the youth.
3. This Department, being a member of the Multi Agency Task Force (MATF) encourages all DepED regional, division, and school officials to hold a Panayam and Talakayan and other meaningful and fitting activities with the participation of students in both public and private schools.
4. A Panayam at Talakayan will be conducted for the 15 Divisions of DepED National Capital Region (NCR) in the morning of April 2, 2009, Thursday at DepED-Bulwagan ng Karunungan, DepED Complex, Meralco Avenue, Pasig City to be followed by the Paligsahan sa Pagsulat ng Sanaysay (Essay Writing) in the afternoon to be participated in by the high school students of the said region (1 delegate per division).
5. As one of the highlights of the said commemoration, this Department in coordination with the Department of National Defense (DND) will conduct the First National Creative Painting Competition on April 4, 2009, Saturday at DepED-Bulwagan ng Karunungan.
6. Enclosed with this Memorandum are the following:
 - a. Enclosure No. 1 - Program of Activities (March 30 to April 11, 2009) with the DepED Participation in the program.

- b. Enclosure No. 2 – Contest Mechanics of the Paligsahan sa Pagsulat ng Sanaysay; and
- c. Enclosure No. 3 – General Guidelines/Contest Rules and Regulations for the Creative Painting Competition.

7. For more details, please contact the DepED-Special Events Unit (SEU), DepED Central Office located at 505 Bonifacio Building, DepED Complex, and Meralco Avenue, Pasig City with tel. nos.: (02) 637-5832, (02) 637-5834, and mobile nos.: (0919) 516-4759, (0927) 220-4951, and (0928) 607-5533.

8. Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.


RAMON C. BACANI
Undersecretary

Encls.: As stated

Reference: DepED Memorandum: No. 138, s. 2008

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**THE 67TH COMMEMORATION OF THE
ARAW NG KAGITINGAN AND PHILIPPINE VETERANS WEEK**
with the theme **"Beferanong Pilipino: Kabalikat Sa Pagsulong Ng Matatag na Republika"**

PROGRAM OF ACTIVITIES

Schedule of Activities	DepED Participation	Output
March 30, 2009 (Monday) Film Showing: "Gerilya ng Powel Street" 5:00PM-7:00PM at AFP Theater Book Launching Roving Museum Exhibit	Tickets will be given by the MATF-Secretariat	Enrich and instill the values of patriotism, nationalism, love of country and freedom.
April 1-3, 2009 (Wednesday- Friday) Regional, Division Schools may conduct a One-day "Panayam at Talakayan" on the said event	Regional, Division and School-Based	
April 2, 2009 (Thursday) 9:00 AM- Panayam at Talakayan 15 Division of NCR will have a "Panayam at Talakayan" at DepED- Bulwagan ng Karunungan	(15 Division of NCR) 4 students/ 4 teachers/ Secretariat/ Guest/ Speakers	To promote, preserve, & memorialize the deeds, principles and ideals of the Filipino People as a means of enhancing patriotism and love of country, freedom, & democracy especially among the youth of the land
PM- Paligsahan sa Pagsulat ng Sanaysay (NCR only 1 per Division)	One (1) student/coach will represent each division	
April 3, 2009 (Friday) Arrival of the 17 regional representatives for the National Painting Contest (contestants 17, Chaperones 17, and TWC (45 pax)		
April 4, 2009 (Thursday) Creative Painting Competition Nationwide (17 Regions)	17 Regions (1 representative each Region)	To increase awareness on the significance of Commemorating the Araw Ng Kagitingan, the shining moment of courage & commitment to freedom by our World War II Veterans
National Oratorical Contest , at 9:00AM-5:00PM, Veterans Museum, Taguig City	100 Students/ teachers from Division of Taguig City nearby schools to grace the occasion	To increase awareness on the significance of Commemorating the Araw Ng Kagitingan, the shining moment of courage & commitment to freedom by our World War II Veterans
April 5, 2009 (Sunday) * departure of 34 delegates of the Painting Competition at 12NN		
* Winners of the competition will stay (12 pax) for the awarding (APRIL 5,6,7,8 and 9- departure)		
Sunrise Ceremony , 6:00 am at the Libingan Ng Mga Bayani, Taguig City. Host - VFP	Div. of Taguig City 150 teachers & students from Western Bicutan, Signal Village, Taguig NHS, & Pateros NHS, will grace the occasion with DepED officials and MATF Members The valedictorian of the Taguig NHS will lead the Panunumpa sa Katapatan sa Watawat (Henrica F. Malay)	To memorialize the deeds, principles and ideals of the Filipino People as a means of enhancing patriotism and love of country, freedom, and democracy especially among the youth of the land.

Enclosure No. 1 to DepED Memorandum No. 121, s. 2009

Schedule of Activities	DepED Participation	Output
	RMHS Chorale (Manila) to sing the National Anthem	
Wreath Laying Ceremony, 7:00 am at Libingan ng mga Bayani, Taguig City	Division of Taguig City 150 teachers & students from Western Bicutan, Signal Village & Pateros NHS, Taguig NHS will grace the occasion with DepED Officials and MATF Members will attend the ceremonies A Youth (2) will join the wreathlayers Youth will offer flowers to the veterans	To memorialize the deeds, principles and ideals of the Filipino People as a means of enhancing patriotism and love of country, freedom, and democracy especially among the youth of the land.
Review in the Honor of the Veterans 9:00 am at the GHQ Grandstand, Camp General Emilio Aguinaldo, QC Host - MATF	MATF Members will attend the ceremonies	
April 6, 2009 (Monday) Tribute to All Filipino Heroes, 9:00AM at the Filipino Heroes Memorial, Corregidor Island	50 pax allotted for the DepED participation (Essay Writing Contest/ Painting Contest Winners with their Coaches (30 pax) are included Youth will join the wreathlayers	
April 7, 2009 (Tuesday) Paggunita sa Capas, 9AM at Capas National Shrine, Capas, Tarlac	Division of Tarlac, District fo Capas should send 100 teachers and students to grace the historic occasion. NCR Essay and Painting Contest Winners and TWG with Guests will join the Patriotic Tour The three (3) top pupils of Aranguren Elementary School will join the veterans/ VIP's during the wreath laying ceremonies	Deepens one's understanding and awareness in promoting the heroic deeds of our Filipino Veterans
April 8, 2009 (Wednesday) Araw Ng Kagitingan, 9:00 am at Mt. Samat Shrine, Pilar Bataan; Host: MATF, Provincial government of Bataan, & LGU's. Simoultaneous replication in other cities/ municipalities	DepED MATF Members will attend and oversee the program. Selected students and teachers will attend the occasion NCR and Painting Contest / winners and coaches (30pax) Painting Contest with TWG and 10 guests will join the Patriotic Tour Winners for the Essay and Creative Painting Competition will be awarded on before the formal ceremony with the President of the Republic of the Philippines.	Enrich and instill the values of patriotism, nationalism, love of country and freedom.
April 11, 2009, (Saturday) Sunset Ceremony, 5:00PM at Libingan ng mga Bayani, Taguig City	100 school officials and teachers from the Division of Taguig City will grace the occasion RMHS (Manila) will sing the National Anthem/ Lighting of Candles	Enrich and instill the values of patriotism, nationalism, love of country and freedom.

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Essay Writing Contest

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GENERAL GUIDELINES

Rules and Regulations

1. The Essay Writing shall be choose from among the students who attended the Panayam at Talakayan in the morning of April 3, 2009 at the DepED-Bulwagan ng Karunungan, DepED Complex, Meralco Avenue, Pasig City.
2. Each division (NCR only will be represented with one representative who is presently enrolled in the public or private Secondary schools in Metro Manila.
3. The contestant should express his/her ideas and feelings on the theme: **"Beteranong Pilipino: Kabalikat Sa Pagsulong Ng Matatag Na Republika"**
4. The organizers will provide materials for the contestants.
5. All the entries must be written in Filipino with the maximum of 1,500 words and a minimum 1,200 words.
6. The criteria for judging include:

Substance and Originality	-	50%
Style and Language	-	30%
Organization	-	<u>20%</u>
		100%

7. The organizers have the right (DND and DepED to publish the winning entries.
8. The contest shall be manage by the DepED- Special Events Unit and sponsored by the Department of National Defense (DND), the lead agency of the celebration. Expenses incurred during the conduct of the contest such as prizes, honoraria of the judges, and facilitators shall be charged to the DND Araw ng Kagitingan funds while the food during th Panayam and Talakayan and the Essay Writing Contest shall be charge to DepED funds subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations
9. The prizes are:

1 st Prize	-	P5,000.00
2 nd Prize	-	P4,000.00
3 rd Prize	-	P3,000.00

10. The decision of the Board of Judges is final and irrevocable.

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Creative Painting Contest

GENERAL GUIDELINES

Rules and Regulations

1. The Creative Painting Competition shall be open to all high school students nationwide. Each Region is entitled to one (1) entry to the national level competition.
2. The theme of the competition is: **"Beteranong Pilipino: Kabalikat Sa Pagsulong at Matatag Na Republika"**
 - a. It should be in a poster type and should have a poetic caption in two, three, or four lines, free verse or with rhyme and meter, typewritten at the back of the painting (Filipino or English);
 - b. The painting should be done on a illustration board to be given by the managing committee.
 - c. The contestant can use any medium or coloring materials.
3. The criteria for judging include:

a.	Originality	40%
b.	Visual Impact	30%
c.	Message	30%
Total		100%
4. The competition aims to increase awareness of the significance of the Araw Ng Kagitingan, as a shining moment of courage and commitment to freedom by our World War II Veterans.
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6. The contestants with their advisers will bring their painting paraphernalia except the illustration board of which it will be given by the managing committee.
7. The prizes are:

1 st Prize	-	P20,000.00+trophy & certificate for the coach/school
2 nd Prize	-	P15,000.00+trophy & certificate for the coach/school
3 rd Prize	-	P10,000.00+trophy & certificate for the coach/school
8. The DND and DepED have the right to publish the entries and has the right to own the paintings.
9. The decision of the Board of Judges is final and irrevocable.