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Department of Education



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SPECIAL PROGRAM IN FOREIGN LANGUAGE: FRENCH

To: Undersecretaries
Assistant Secretaries
Bureau Directors
Regional Directors
Schools Division/City Superintendents
Heads, Public and Private Secondary Schools

1. The Department of Education (DepED), through the Bureau of Secondary Education (BSE) in coordination with the Embassy of France to the Philippines, is expanding the Special Program in Foreign Language so as to include French, starting school year 2009-2010.

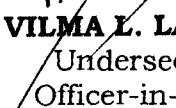
2. This Special Program in Foreign Language is for schools whose students have demonstrated competence in English and are capable of learning another foreign language. This program aims to:

- a. develop students' skills in listening, reading, writing, speaking and viewing as fundamental to acquiring communicative competence in a second foreign language;
- b. prepare students for meaningful interaction in a linguistically and culturally diverse global workplace; and
- c. develop understanding and appreciation of other people's culture.

3. In line with this, an additional eleven (11) Science High Schools will be identified by NCR and Region VII at two (2) teachers per school. **Four (4)** from NCR (this is in addition to the three (3) Science High Schools - -Makati, Quezon City and Manila that have been originally conducting French classes); and **seven (7)** Science High Schools from Region VII based on the criteria provided in Enclosure No. 1. **Note: Except for Quezon City Science HS, schools that are already participants in the pilot test of Spanish as a foreign language need not participate in the pilot test of French (see Enclosure No. 2).**

4. Please fax to (02) 633-7242 or (02) 635-9826 or e-mail: capacityb_unit@yahoo.com.ph names of schools and teachers together with contact details not later than April 20, 2009.

5. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.


VILMA L. LABRADOR
Undersecretary
Officer-in-Charge

Encls.:

As stated

Reference:

DepED Memorandum: No. 560, s. 2008

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

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Criteria in the Selection of Schools

1. Public Secondary Science School with highest MPS in English in the whole region.
2. Can provide substitute teachers who will takeover the classes of the two teachers while on training
3. A dedicated room for the French classes and support facilities and equipment (a speech laboratory or a computer lab to support speech lessons)
4. High School's commitment to allot 4 hours of French classes per week

Criteria in the Selection of Teachers

1. Must at least possess a bachelor's degree in English
2. Has been a permanent teacher for at least 3 years
3. Has a performance rating of very satisfactory (VS) or higher
4. Age limit: 30-45 years old with exception from those who have genuine interest to learn the language or have been speakers of the French language or resident in France or in a francophone country.
5. Has been certified by a government physician to be physically and mentally fit.
6. Possesses a positive attitude, commitment, willingness and interest to learn French.
7. Can communicate effectively in English.
8. Committed to complete a crash course and Certificate Program in Teaching French for one (1) month (100 hours) on basic French + 20 hours in pedagogy, 5 days a week starting May 4, 2009; and willing to attend 'follow through' face to face training at an identified French Language School (in Manila or Cebu) once a week on Saturdays from June 2009 to March 2010.

**LIST OF PILOT SCHOOLS FOR THE SPECIAL PROGRAM IN
FOREIGN LANGUAGE: SPANISH**

Region	Pilot School	Names of teachers
I	Ilocos Norte NHS	1. Mr. Joefrey dela Cruz 2. Mrs. Veronica Guerrero
II	Lemu National High School (Cagayan)	1. Jorex Tomas Talosig 2. Pacita Baccay
III	Honorato Perez Mem. Science HS (Cabanatuan City)	1. Gladys Sison 2. Julie Pineda
IV-A	Cavite Science HS	1. Maricar Ligsa 2. Mildred Atendido
IV-B	Dolores NHS, Sta. Cruz, Marinduque	1. Ms. Nolita Arellano 2. Ms. Beverly Roldan
V	Naga City Science High School	1. Baby Ruby F. Laurente 2. Jaimito de Leon
VI	Capiz National HS	1. Mrs. Rizalina Barruela 2. Mr. Francis Russel Varon
VII	Tanjay City Science HS	1. Christine Parane 2. Judee Rose Tada
VIII	Tagapulan NHS	1. Felicitas R. Ablaza 2. Yolanda Cangayao
IX	Don Pablo Lorenzo Memorial HS	1. Ethel Medallo 2. Joseline S. Alvarez
X	Regional Science HS (Gusa National High School)	1. Cristina Ganas 2. Mrs. Jasmin I. Tiempo
XI	Davao City Special School	1. Mrs. Tessie Fernandez 2. Rosemarie Atencio
XII	Tupi National HS (RSHS)	1. Mrs. Julieta B. Javier 2. Mrs. Leticia S. Sunga
CARAGA	Agusan National HS	1. Gemma B. De Chavez 2. Maribel C. Buco
CAR	Ifugao Provincial Science HS	1. Rachel G. Khayad 2. Brenda Ducusin
NCR	Quezon City Science HS	1. Ms. Liza R. Gapas 2. Mrs. Zenaida G. Nicolas
ARMM	ARMM Science High School	1. Evelyn Burlat 2. Mary Ann Lidasan