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AFS INTERCULTURAL PROGRAMS PHILIPPINES SELECTION CAMPS

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

1. AFS is an international, voluntary, non-governmental and non-profit organization providing intercultural learning opportunities to help people develop the knowledge, skills and understanding needed to create a more just and peaceful world. AFS Philippines, in partnership with the Department of Education-Center for Students and Co-Curricular Affairs (DepED-CSCA), will hold the AFS Selection Camps nationwide on June 22-26, 2009 for Luzon, July 11-15, 2009 for Visayas and July 22-26, 2009 for Mindanao regions.

2. The AFS Selection Camps aims to choose, screen and orient deserving Filipino high school students and teachers to represent the country in various AFS scholarship programs for School Years 2009-2010, 2010-2011 and pre-screening for 2011-2012; namely:

- a. Partners for Learning Youth Exchange and Study (YES) Program

This is open to forty (40) third year high school students per school year. Qualifiers will be sent to the United States of America for one year.

- b. Year Program (YP)

This is open to 30-50 high school students per school year. Qualifiers will be sent to their country of choice for one year.

- c. Japan-East Asia Network of Exchange for Students and Youths (JENESYS) Program

This is open to sixty (60) fourth year students and six (6) teachers who will be sent to Japan for two (2) weeks, and four (4) fourth year students for one year to Japan per school year.

d. Educators' Program

This is open to teachers. Qualifiers will be sent to Egypt for one academic year.

3. Interested applicants are encouraged to visit the website of AFS Philippines thru www.afs.ph or email info.philippines@afs.org for the details of the scholarship programs, qualifications and application procedures, including particulars on the venue and exact times of the selection camps. Expenses for the participation in the selection camps shall be charged against local funds, local school board funds or sourced from solicitations from private organizations.

4. Regional Directors, Schools Division/City Superintendents and School Heads are requested to give full support to the selection camps. The Division and Regional Supervisors in-charge of the Student Government Program or *Araling Panlipunan* shall be responsible for disseminating the contents of this Memorandum to the schools and for coordinating participation of interested students and teacher-applicants.

5. For queries and coordination, please contact AFS Philippines thru office address 2/F UP ISSI Bldg. (Virata Hall), E. Jacinto St., University of the Philippines, Diliman, Quezon City and contact nos. (02) 928-3432 or 929-5750 or the DepED-CSCA c/o Executive Director Joey G. Pelaez at tel. nos. (02) 636-3603 or 631-8495 or log on to www.deped-csca.com.

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


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Undersecretary

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