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Department of Education

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2018 NATIONAL OBSERVANCE OF DEAF AWARENESS WEEK

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

1. The Department of Education (DepEd), through the Bureau of Learning Delivery-Student Inclusion Division (BLD-SID) will celebrate the **2018 National Observance of the Deaf Awareness Week** with the theme Through Sign Language, Everyone is Included. This is pursuant to Presidential Proclamation No. 829 dated November 8, 1991 entitled Declaring the Period from November 10 to 16 of Every Year as the Deaf Awareness Week,
2. The observance aims to raise awareness and consciousness on deaf persons, and their important role in contributing to nation-building.
3. As member of the Governing Board created by the National Council on Disability Affairs (NCDA), DepEd supports the observance of the said celebration by undertaking the following activities:
 - a. hanging of advocacy streamers in conspicuous places of schools or offices, and
 - b. participation to activities organized by the Local Government Units (LGUs) and Disabled People's Organizations (DPOs) are provided in the enclosure for the calendar of activities.
4. All public, private and special education (SPED) centers and schools with SPED programs for the deaf are encouraged to observe the Deaf Awareness Celebration with appropriate activities.
5. All the activities shall be in accordance with DepEd Order No. 9, s. 2005 entitled Instituting Measures to Increase Engaged Time-on-Task and Ensuring Compliance Therewith.
6. For more information, contact the **Bureau of Learning Delivery-Student Inclusion Division (BLD-SID)**, 4th Floor, Bonifacio Building, Department of Education Central Office, DepEd Complex, Meralco Avenue, Pasig City at telefax no. (02) 631-9993 or email at bld.sid@deped.gov.ph.
7. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.


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Secretary

Encl.:

As stated

References:

DepEd Order: (No. 9, s. 2005)

DepEd Memorandum No. 208, s. 2016

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(Enclosure to DepEd Memorandum No. 177, s. 2018)

DEAF AWARENESS WEEK
November 10-16, 2018
Theme: "With Sign Language, Everyone is Included"

Nov. 10	Saturday	Nov. 11	Sunday	Nov. 12	Monday
<p>Opening Ceremonies A.M – Kick off Activities - Opening Amenities (1) Fun Run & Sportfest for the Deaf (2) Launching of Mr. & Ms. Deaf Phils. (For 2019) Venues: Pasig City Hall & Marikina Sports Complex Time: 9:00am – 2:00pm Lead Agencies: Philippine Federation of the Deaf (PFD), PNP-NCRPO, DepEd, Phil. School for the Deaf & Deaf Manila Districts Org., Inc.</p>		<p>Holy Mass Family Day Time: 8:00am – 2pm Lead Agencies: AMMPD & Handicapped Care Association, Inc.</p>		<p>(1) Flag Raising Ceremony of NGAs & LGUs (Simultaneous Singing of National Anthem in Sign Language) (2) Deaf Tour Guiding Time: 8:00am- 4:00pm Venue: Deaf Tour Guiding sites - TBA Lead Agencies: DOT, PSD & NCDA Skills Competition of PWDs Time: 9:00am-3:00pm Lead Agencies: DENR, NVAP & TESDA</p>	
Nov. 13	Tuesday	Nov. 14	Wednesday	Nov. 15	Thursday
<p>(1) Deaf Awareness & Sensitivity on Sign Language (for employees) (2) Job Fair (for Deaf persons) (3) Time: 8:00am-3:00pm Venue: TBA Lead Agencies: PFD, Hard of Hearing Group of the Phils., Leonard Cheshire Disability Foundation Phils., DOLE & UNILAB Foundation</p>		<p>Dialogue with Deaf People on Access to Justice Time: 9:00am-12NN Venue: CHR & UP Hall Lead Agencies: PNP, NCRPO NCDA & PFD</p>		<p>Auditory Screening in Batangas Lead Agencies: Better Hearing Phils. & PED</p>	
Nov. 16	Friday	Other DAW Activities		Weeklong Activities	
<p>Closing Ceremonies Skills Competition of Deaf Persons – A.M. Cultural Presentation – PM Venue: Tanghalang Pasiguero Lead Agencies: DepEd, PFD, PSD, TESDA, AMMPD & NCDA</p>		<p>Hanging of DAW streamers Text blasts on DAW Celebration Lead Agency: PIA Media Announcements & guestings/press releases Lead Agencies: PIA & NCDA</p>		<p>Hearing Assessments Lead Agencies: UST-Auditory Department, Better Hearing Phils. & EarAccess, Inc.</p>	