



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education

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DepEd MEMORANDUM
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123rd ANNIVERSARY OF THE MARTYRDOM OF DR. JOSE P. RIZAL

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

1. Pursuant to Presidential Proclamation No. 126, s. 2001 titled **Declaring the Month of December of Every Year as Rizal Month**, the Department of Education (DepEd) and the National Historical Commission of the Philippines (NHCP), in collaboration with other government agencies, local government units (LGUs) and the private sector shall conduct the simultaneous Rizal Day Flag Raising and Wreath Laying Rites on December 30, 2019 at 7:00 a.m. in celebration of the **123rd Anniversary of the Martyrdom of Dr. Jose P. Rizal** at the following regions and venues:

Region	Venue	Attendees from DepEd
National Capital Region (NCR)	Rizal National Monument Rizal Park, Manila	Secretary or her representative, NCR regional director (RD), schools division superintendents (SDS) (all schools divisions) DepEd officials, principals, teachers, and learners from nearby schools
Region IV-A CALABARZON	Rizal Shrine Calamba City	RD, assistant regional director (ARD), SDS Calamba City, other officials, teachers, and learners from nearby schools
Region IX	Rizal Shrine, Dapitan City	RD, ARD, SDS of Dapitan City, other officials, teachers, and learners from nearby schools
	Various Cities and Municipalities	The RD, ARD, SDS, through the Division Special Events coordinators, may coordinate with their respective LGUs regarding the participation of DepEd in various programs.

2. The Department, as member of the National Steering Committee on National Observances, enjoins the attendance, participation, and support of the regional, schools division, and school officials, teachers, and learners to the different programs, events and commemorative activities:

Activity	Date/Time/Venue	Other Details
<i>Ang Huling Paalam</i>	December 12, 2019 2:00 p.m. <i>Museo ni Jose Rizal</i> Fort Santiago Intramuros, Manila	This lecture puts into limelight the <i>Ang Huling Paalam</i> an oil painting by Rody Herrera which won the 1960 Rizal Centennial International Contest. In more contemporary sense, the lectures explore the sociological impact of trials and executions to the immediate family and relatives of the persecuted. Learner-participants from nearby schools to be identified by the SDS/school principals
Martyrdom of Dr. Jose P. Rizal: A Light and Sound Presentation and Guided Tour	December 28–30, 2019 6:00 a.m. to 6:30 a.m. Rizal Park, Manila	National Parks Development Committee (NPDC) is in charge of this activity. Admission is free.
Short Prayer and Floral Offering	December 29, 2019 6:00 a.m. to 6:30 a.m. Rizal National Monument, Rizal Park, Manila	The <i>Pananampalataya ng Kapatiran ang Litaw na Katalinuhan</i> (KALK) is in charge of this activity.
Reenactment of Rizal’s Walk from Fort Santiago to Luneta and Commemorative Rites	December 29, 2019 5:00 a.m. Fort Santiago to Luneta	
Ayala Foundation Culmination of 2019 Flag Distribution	December 30, 2019, after the Flag Raising and Wreath Laying Ceremonies at the Rizal National Monument, Rizal Park, Manila	Ayala Foundation/DepEd is in charge of this activity.

3. The celebration aims to

- a. give the youth a chance to fully recognize the value of historical events, especially the martyrdom of Dr. Jose P. Rizal, which shaped the nation and constituted the soul of the people, giving meaning to their collective life and aspirations;
- b. inspire the Filipino people to keep the lofty ideals and teaching of the national hero to stay alive in their hearts and minds;



- c. teach the significance of Rizal's life and the lessons on nationalism, civic consciousness, and the importance of education for Filipino youth of today; and
 - d. utilize artistic and cultural activity to promote and educate the learners on the essence of Filipino literacy classics in their lives.
4. To make this commemoration more meaningful, all public and private schools are encouraged to carry out activities integrated in related subject areas such as: *Araling Panlipunan*, *Edukasyon sa Pagpapakatao*, Music, Arts, Physical Education and Health (MAPEH), Filipino and English, among others during classroom discussions.
5. The travel allowance and per diem of the DepEd Technical Working Group (TWG) members shall be charged to the 2019 Building Partnerships and Linkages Program (BPLP) Current Funds, subject to its availability, and to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.
6. Teachers shall receive appropriate service credits as stipulated in DepEd Order (DO) No. 53, s. 2003 titled Updated Guidelines on Grant of Vacation Service Credits to Teachers, and DO 84, s. 2003 titled Addendum to DepEd Order No. 53, s. 2003 (Updated Guidelines on Grant of Vacation Service Credits to Teachers), while nonteaching personnel should attend programs and activities on **official time only**.
7. For more information, please contact:
- National Historical Commission of the Philippines
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Telephone Nos.: (02) 8254-7482 local 131 and (02) 8523-1019
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7. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.


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Secretary

References:

DepEd Order Nos.: (53, and 84, s. 2003)

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index
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