



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education

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DepEd MEMORANDUM

No. **032**, s. 2023

125th FOUNDING ANNIVERSARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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

1. Pursuant to Administrative Order No. 322, s. 1997 titled Authorizing Certain Government Agencies to Undertake Activities in Preparation for their Centennial Anniversary Celebrations in 1997, 1998, and 1999, the Department of Education (DepEd) announces its **125th Founding Anniversary** with the theme, DepEd@125: *Isang Pamilya para sa MATATAG na Kagawaran.*

2. The theme expresses the Department's commitment to support the *MATATAG: Bansang Makabata, Batang Makabansa* education agenda by working as one family in solidarity to achieve the common goal. Further, it relates to the DepEd commitment to provide Filipino learners with quality basic education that is accessible, inclusive, and liberating.

3. In view of the foregoing, DepEd will have its weeklong celebration from June 19 to 23, 2023, for its 125th Founding Anniversary. To promote public awareness of this momentous event, DepEd Central Office (CO) enjoins all DepEd officials, personnel, and learners at the regional, schools division offices, and schools to:

- a. display/hang the Department's 125th Founding Anniversary official streamer in offices and schools;
- b. participate the online celebration by joining the following DepEd national activities which will be live-streamed via DepEd Philippines' Official Facebook page:
 - i. June 19 - Simultaneous Flag Raising Ceremony and Thanksgiving Mass
 - ii. June 21 - Nationwide DepEd Chorale Competition
 - iii. June 23 - National Celebration of DepEd Anniversary
- c. organize activities at the CO, RO, SDO, and schools based on the theme; and
- d. use the official anniversary frame for profile photos on Facebook.

4. A detailed activity matrix is provided in the enclosure.
5. For the Department Chorale Competition, a separate memorandum on the mechanics and guidelines will be released.
6. The copy of the official streamer, logo, and other materials may be accessed through this link: bit.ly/DepEd125.
7. For more information, please contact **Ms. Marge Latosa or Ms. Karen Martija** of the Bureau of Human Resource and Organizational Development-Employee Welfare Division, Department of Education Central Office, DepEd Complex, Meralco Avenue, Pasig City, through email at margery.latosa@deped.gov.ph or katherine.martija@deped.gov.ph or telephone numbers (02) 8633-7229 and (02) 8635-3760.
8. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

By Authority of the Secretary:


GLORIA J. MAMIL-MERCADO
Undersecretary

Encl.:
As stated

Reference:
DepEd Memorandum No. 055, s. 2022

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under the following subjects:

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EMPLOYEES
LEARNERS
OFFICIALS
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Annex A

DepEd@125: Isang Pamilya para sa MATATAG na Kagawawan DepEd 125th Anniversary Celebration

Bulwagan ng Karunungan, DepEd Central Office with Live Streaming via the Official Facebook Page of DepEd Philippines
June 19-23, 2023

June 19 – Flag Raising and Thanksgiving Mass

Time	Activity	Remarks
7:30am	Assembly	
8:00am	Flag Raising Ceremony	
8:20am	Anniversary Message from the Secretary Ceremonial hitting of the pot (<i>Pukpok Palayok</i>) to officially launch the week-long celebration	Nationwide simultaneous activity via FB live streaming
10:00am	Thanksgiving Mass	

June 21 – National DepEd Chorale Competition

Time	Activity	Remarks
9:00am	Opening Program	Nationwide simultaneous activity via FB live streaming
9:20am	Chorale Presentation <i>* Mechanics and Guidelines to be released soon</i>	
12nn	End of Program	
1:00pm	Tabulation of Scores	End Live. Judges only

June 23 – DepEd Anniversary Celebration

Time	Activity	Remarks
8:00am	Parade of Colors <i>Please wear shirt/clothes according to the assigned color:</i> <i>* Central Office – White</i> <i>* Luzon ROs, SDOs, and Schools – Yellow</i> <i>* Visayas ROs, SDOs, and Schools – Red</i> <i>* Mindanao ROs, SDOs, and Schools – Blue</i>	Nationwide simultaneous activity via FB live streaming
8:30am	Opening Program Anniversary Message from the Secretary	
9:00am	Announcement of Chorale Competition Winners Presentation of the winner's entry	
9:30am	End of simultaneous activity <i>* After the nationwide simultaneous activity, the CO and the field offices may start their own Anniversary activity/program</i>	