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KAGAWARAN NG EDUKASYON AT KULTURA
(DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE)
Maynila

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DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM
No. 129, s. 1977

DEC NATIONAL ORATORICAL CONTEST

To: Bureau Directors
Regional Directors
Chiefs of Services and Heads of Units
Coordinator, State Colleges
and Universities
Schools Superintendents
Heads of Private Schools,
Colleges and Universities

1. The Department of Education and Culture is conducting a nationwide oratorical contest, in English and in Filipino, open to students on the secondary and collegiate levels in all schools, public and private.

2. The first-prize winners on the division level, in each category, will be awarded one-year scholarship covering tuition and book allowances or a total money value not exceeding P1,000. There will be winners of these scholarships in each division as follows:

First prize, high school, English
First prize, high school, Filipino
First prize, collage, English
First prize, collage, Filipino

3. The oration may be on any subject under the broad theme - "Youth and the New Society." Among the suggested subjects are:

<u>Filipino</u>	<u>English</u>
Ang Diwa ng Sagong Lipunan	Youth and National Progress
Isang Bansa Isang Diwa	The Meaning of Commitment
Ang Kabataan at ang Pambansang Kaunlaran	The New Society and Its Challenge to Youth
Ang Hamon sa Kabataan ng Sagong Lipunan	

In preparing for this contest, as in the case of the essay contest announced in Department Memorandum No. 128, s. 1977, students should be encouraged to read publications on New Society programs and thrusts, particularly the Notes on the New Society I, Notes on the New Society II, and Today's Revolution: Democracy.

4. The contest will be conducted on the division, regional and national levels. In this connection, each school division is requested to organize immediately a division contest committee to plan and conduct the contest in the division. Private schools and colleges as well as state colleges and universities located in the division should be represented in the committee. A similar committee shall likewise be organized by the regional office to manage the contest on the regional level. The wide publicity of this contest, its management, including the selection of the board of judges, are the responsibility of the committee.

5. The contest on the division and regional levels should be held not later than the dates indicated below:

Division oratorical contests ---- October 15, 1977
Regional oratorical contests ---- November 11, 1977

6. Winners on the regional and national levels will be awarded medals and special prizes. The names of the division first-prize winners in each category should immediately be submitted to the Office of the Secretary of Education and Culture, Manila, Attention: National Oratorical Contest Committee, together with two copies of each winning oration and a copy of the score or tally sheet duly signed by the members of the Board of Judges. A copy of the certification of winners, in each category, should be kept in the Division Office.

7. Enclosed are the rules and other details of the contest. This contest should be given immediate, wide publicity in all schools in the division.

(SGD.) JUAN L. MANUEL
Secretary of Education and Culture

Incl.:
As stated

Reference:
Department Memorandum: (No. 128, s. 1977)

Allotment: 1-2-3-4--(D.O. 1-76)

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index
under the following subjects:

~~CONTEST~~
~~Course of Study, COLLEGIATE~~
~~" " " " , SECONDARY~~
~~PRIZES~~
~~SCHOLARSHIPS~~
~~STUDENTS~~
~~UNIVERSITIES and COLLEGES~~

RULES FOR THE NATIONWIDE ORATORICAL CONTEST

1. The contest is open to high school and college students in all schools, public and private.
 2. The piece may be in English or Filipino, on the subject indicated in the Department Memorandum, and should be original.
 3. Each oration in English or Filipino should not exceed ten (10) minutes for contestants on the secondary level, and fifteen (15) minutes for contestants on the collegiate level.
 4. Before the day of the contest, all contestants on the division level shall submit to the division contest committee, four clear copies of the oration, typed, double-space on regular-sized bond paper. The name of the contestant should be indicated on the copy.
 5. Orations will be judged on the basis of content, organization, style, and delivery.
 6. There will be four first prize winners in each division:
 - 1 First Prize winner in English Oration, High School
 - 1 First Prize Winner in Filipino Oration, High School
 - 1 First Prize Winner in English Oration, College
 - 1 First prize Winner in Filipino Oration, College
- All the first-prize winners will each receive a tuition, book and school expense scholarship for one year with a money value of P1,000.
7. The first-prize winners in each category and in each group will compete in the regional oratorical contest, the date of which will be announced by the Regional Office concerned.
 8. All orations become the property of the National Contest Committee of the Department of Education and Culture.