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1979 FAMILY WEEK CELEBRATION

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

1. This year Family Week will be observed on December 2-8.
2. The theme of this year's celebration is: "The Development of the Child in the Face of Changing Family Patterns."
3. The thrusts for each day of the week which should focus on the development of desirable values, are as follows:

Sunday, December 2	- Spiritual Development
Monday, December 3	- Education and the Media (Parents Day)
Tuesday, December 4	- Social Development
Wednesday, December 5	- Economic Development
Thursday, December 6	- Political Development (Community Day)
Friday, December 7	- Cultural Development
Saturday, December 8	- Parent Congress

4. Inclosed is a suggested program of activities along which local programs may be planned and enriched and which leads itself to the development of values relevant to the thrusts above.

5. To highlight the observance of Family Week, the schools may revive the tradition of wearing on Monday, Parents Day, flowers of appropriate color, i.e., colored flowers, preferably pink or red by non-orphans, white flowers by total orphans, and colored and white flowers by partial orphans.



6. The cooperation of all concerned is hereby enjoined for the success of the celebration.

7. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

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Minister of Education and Culture

Reference:

MEC Memorandum No. 304, s. 1978

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1979 Family Week Celebration
December 2-8, 1979

Theme: "The Development of the Child in Face of Changing Family Patterns"

SUGGESTED PROGRAM OF ACTIVITIES

Sunday, December 2 - Spiritual Development Day

1. Family Prayer Breakfast
2. Interfaith Spiritual Exchange for Children
3. Interchurch Visitation
4. Debate/Oratorical Contest
"Freedom of Worship: Child/Family
Viewpoints"

Monday, December 3 - Education and Media Day

1. School-Community Field Day preferably managed by parents, where parents actively participate in field events, ball games, folk dances, etc. versus school pupils and teachers.
2. Radio and TV Programs/Interviews with children from different families.
3. Essay Writing Contest: "What we Get from Education and Media"

Topic: "Who Should Decide on a Child's Education: The Child/The Family/Society?"

4. Art Contest: Painting and Poster Making on the Concept: Equal Educational Opportunities

Tuesday, December 4 - Social Development Day

1. Radio and TV Programs/Interviews on Child Rearing Practice in Different Cultures (Philippine and Foreign)
2. Research and Writing Contest on how children are socialized in and through the family, e.g., "Transition Rites from Childhood to Adolescence"

3. Mini-Social Research and Reporting by Children:

The Social Organization (using charts) of
Selected Families in the community

4. Stage Presentations Play or Pageant

What the Government Has Been Doing for the
Social Development of Children

Wednesday, December 5 - Economic Development Day

1. Children visit the place of work of their parents.
2. Radio and TV interviews with children who are engaged in trade of some sort, e.g., newspaper boys, bootblacks, itinerant vendors, jeepney "starters," etc.

3. School and Community Assemblies

Resource Speakers/Open Forums on

- a. Gross National Product and Per Capita Income/Expenditure.
- b. Burden of Dependency: Population Profiles of the Philippines and Other Countries.
- c. Children and the World of Work: PD 603

4. Scenario Building Contest

"The Year 2000 Begins With Us Today: What to Do Now in Order to Survive Then?"

5. Field Trips to Places of Economic Development:

Factories, Dairy Farms and Plants, Piers and Wharfs, Fishing Industries, Mining Industries, etc.

Thursday, December 6. - Political Development Day

1. School and Community Review and Discussion Forums on Ferdinand E. Marcos' Key publications -
Notes on the New Society
Today's Revolution: Democracy
Other publications.

2. Mini-Political Research and Report by Children:

Political Organization (chart) and function
of Families/the Community/Borongan/Town/barrio

3. Boys' and Girls' Day in the Government

Children serve as Governor/Veoyor/Chief of Police/
School Superintendent/Borongan Captain or other
socio-political services.

4. Role Playing - The Batasang Pambansa in Action

Friday, December 7 - Cultural Development Day

1. Literacy-Musical Programs

2. Organize School Bandilla, Choir, Dance Troupes,
Artist Groups, Writers Guild for a School Paper, etc.

3. Children make "Cultural Continuum or Cultural Lines
from Year 1900 to year 2000, "one each for: Folk
Music, Folk art, Clothing, Housing, Food Gathering/
Production and Preservation

4. Radio-TV Presentations by the Philippines Arts High
School and selected school/College/University Dance
Troupes

5. Visits to the Cultural Center of the Philippines,
Folk Arts Theater, museums, art galleries, etc.

6. Children's Film Review, Analysis and Critique of
the Culture Traits in "Ganito Kani Ko, Paano
Kaya Ngayon"

7. Multi-Media art Contest on the year's theme.

Saturday, December 8

- Parent Congress

1. Keynote speech on the year's theme
2. Talk: Changing Family Patterns Here and Abroad
3. Reactions to the Talk
 - a. Parents' viewpoints
 - b. Children's viewpoints
4. Wrapping-up session: Parents and children plan ways of helping every Filipino child develop in the face of changing family patterns.
5. Awarding of Prizes for all the contests during the week
6. Closing Talk

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