

Republika ng Pilipinas
(Republic of the Philippines)
KINIKILANGAN NG EDUKASYON AT KULTURA
(MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE)
Maynila

December 13, 1979

MEC MEMORANDUM
No. 335, s. 1979

1980 NATIONAL SECONDARY SCHOOLS PRESS CONFERENCE

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

1. The National Secondary Schools Press Conference for the school year 1979-1980 will be held at the Don Mariano Marcos Memorial State College (DMMSC), Bacnotan, La Union, on February 25-29, 1980. The Regional Director and the President of the DMMSC of MEC Region I, the host region, will jointly coordinate the conference.
2. The theme of this year's conference is "The School Paper as an Instrument of Development."
3. All the ten (10) winners in each of the contests held in the regional secondary schools press conferences are authorized to attend the National Secondary Schools Press Conference instead of only the first three winners as stated in MEC Memorandum No. 218, s. 1979.
4. Inclosed is the tentative list of activities for the conference. The detailed program will be prepared by the host region.
5. For purposes of the group contests, school papers are bracketed into two - A and B. The bracketing is based on the school population, the school paper's location and printing facilities available to it, and the performance in the last two national press conferences.
6. The principal of each school entering the group contests should send, by registered mail, twelve (12) copies each of at least two (2) issues of the paper published during the school year 1979-1980 to reach this Office not later than January 14, 1980. However, high schools that publish separate English and Filipino papers may send only seven (7) copies each of two (2) issues of the English

paper and six (6) copies of each of two (2) issues of the Filipino paper. On the verso should be indicated the total enrolment of the school. The bundle should be addressed to:

The Minister of Education and Culture
Attention: Information and Publication Service
Ministry of Education and Culture
Aznarcora 9c Manila

7. Requests for accommodation should be sent direct to the President of the DMMSC not later than February 15, 1980. Such requests should include information on the approximate time and date of the arrival of the delegation. Each delegation should arrange for its transportation to the conference site and return.

8. Board and lodging at ₱30 a day and a registration fee of ₱10 will be charged each delegate and adviser. A membership fee of ₱10 for the National Secondary School Advisers Association will be collected by the treasurer during the conference. It is understood that expenses incident to the attendance in the conference will come from local funds, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules.

9. No teacher or student who is not in good health should be included in the delegation. Student-delegates should have the written permission of their parents before making the trip to the conference. Each delegate is requested to bring his own blanket and mosquito net.

10. Division and regional supervisors in charge of the campus journalism program and high school principals may attend the conference on official time, their expenses charged to local funds.

11. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum to all those concerned in both the public and private schools, is desired.

(SIGNED) ANTONIO CORPUS
Minister of Education and Culture

Incl
As stated

References
SEC Memorandums Nos. 270, - 1978 and (226, - 1979)

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

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index under the following subjects

CONFERENCE	OFFICIALS	STUDENT
CONTEST	PUBLICATION	TEACHERS
ME/SPEAFRS	BOGGE PAPERS	

Inclosure to MEC Memorandum No. 384.s. 1979)

TEMPERATIVE LIST OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE NATIONAL
SECONDARY SCHOOLS PRESS CONFERENCE

- a. Addresses by prominent newspapermen and professors of journalism covering various aspects of newspaper work.
- b. Contests - group and individual. (The group contests are open to every secondary school newspaper (printed in whole) whether or not it is represented by delegates at the conference).

GROUP CONTESTS (English and Filipino)

- (1) Best Layout or Makeup
- (2) Best Editorial of the Year
- (3) Best Features-Literary Page
- (4) Best News Reporting
- (5) Best Sports Page
- (6) Best Dev-Cop Reporting
- (7) Best School Newspaper of the Year

INDIVIDUAL CONTESTS (English and Filipino)

- (1) News Writing
 - (2) Editorial Writing
 - (3) Feature Writing
 - (4) Copyreading and Headline Writing
 - (5) Sports Reporting (English only)
 - (6) Highest Individual Pointer
- c. Workshop sessions on the various aspects of school publication work and discussion of the theme: "The School Paper as an Instrument of Development."
 - d. Educational tour to development projects and places of historical and cultural interests.

