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1981 NATIONAL SECONDARY SCHOOLS PRESS CONFERENCE

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

1. The National Secondary Schools Press Conference for the school year 1980-81 will be held at Teachers Camp, Baguio City on February 10-14, 1981.
2. The theme of this year's conference is "The School Paper and Its Supportive Role in Educational Development in the 1980s."
3. All the ten (10) winners in each of the contests held in the regional secondary schools press conferences and their school paper advisers are authorized to attend the National Secondary Schools Press Conference. These winners shall participate in the same contests as those where they won on the regional level.
4. Inclosed is the tentative list of activities for the conference.
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 1980-81 to reach this Office not later than January 12, 1981. However, high schools that publish separate

English and Filipino papers may send only seven (7) copies of each of two (2) issues of the English paper and six (6) copies each of two (2) issues of the Filipino paper. On the wrapper should be indicated the total enrolment of the school. The bundle should be addressed to:

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE
Attention: Information Division, IPS
Ministry of Education and Culture
Arroceros, Manila

7. Requests for accommodation should be sent direct to the Superintendent, Teachers Camp, Baguio City not later than January 30, 1981. Such requests should include information on the approximate time and date of the arrival of the delegation in Baguio City. 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 ₱20 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. The private schools may have their own arrangements regarding the expenses of their delegates.

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.

10. Division and regional supervisors in charge of the campus journalism program and high school principals may attend the conference on official time. Expenses incident to their attendance at the conference may be charged against local/division/regional funds.

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

(SGD.) ONOFRE D. CORPUZ
Minister of Education and Culture

Incl.: As stated

Reference:
MEC Memorandum: No. 305, s. 1979

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

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

CONFERENCES	SCHOOLS
CONTESTS	SCHOOL PAPERS
NEWSPAPERS	STUDENTS
OFFICIALS	TEACHERS
PUBLICATIONS	

(Inclosure to MEC Memorandum No. 233, s. 1980)

TENTATIVE LIST OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE NATIONAL
SECONDARY SCHOOLS PRESS CONFERENCE

- a. Addresses by practicing journalists and professors of journalism covering various aspects of newspaper work.
- b. Contests - group and individual. (Two 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 Pilipino)

- 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 Reporting on Development Communication

INDIVIDUAL CONTESTS (English and Pilipino)

- 1. News Writing
 - 2. Editorial Writing
 - 3. Feature Writing
 - 4. Copyreading and Headline Writing
 - 5. Sports Reporting (English only)
- c. Workshop sessions for teacher advisers, supervisors and principals, and for the student delegates.