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1982 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
Vocational School Superintendents/Administrators

1. The National Secondary Schools Press Conference for the school year 1981-82 will be held in Kalibo, Aklan on January 16-21, 1982.
2. The theme of this year's conference will be "The Pole of the School Paper in Unifying the Various Educational Sectors of the Community."
3. All the ten (10) winners in each of the contests held in the regional secondary schools press conferences and their school paper advisers and officers of the National Secondary Schools Student Editors and Paper Advisers Association (NSSPAA) 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 and other information relative to 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 of one (1) issue of the paper published during the school year 1981-82 to reach

this Office not later than December 1, 1981. However, high schools that publish separate English and Pilipino papers may send only seven (7) copies of the English paper and six (6) copies of the Pilipino paper. On the wrapper should be indicated the total enrollment 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 Schools Superintendent, Division of Aklan, Kalibo, Aklan not later than December 7, 1981. Such requests should include information on the list of delegates, approximate time and date of the arrival of the delegation, and the means of transportation taken to Kalibo, Aklan. Each delegation should arrange for its own transportation to the conference site and return.

8. Board and lodging at ₱35 a day and a registration fee of ₱50 will be charged each delegate. A membership fee of ₱10 for the National Secondary School Advisers Association will be collected by the treasurer during the conference. Expenses incident to the attendance in the conference shall be charged against 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/guardian before making the trip to the conference.

10. Division and regional supervisors in charge of the campus journalism program and high school principals are authorized to attend the conference. Expenses incident to their attendance at the conference shall likewise be charged against local funds, subject to accounting and auditing regulations.

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

(SGD.) ONOFRE D. CORPUZ
Minister

Incl.: As stated

Reference: MEC Memorandum: No. 233, s. 1980

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

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(Inclosure to MEC Memorandum No. 209, s. 1981)

TENTATIVE LIST OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE NATIONAL
SECONDARY SCHOOLS PRESS CONFERENCE

Participation by the NSSPC delegates and their teacher-advisers, supervisors, principals, coordinators, and guests in the Ati-atihan festival and parade.

Cultural presentations by the different regions participating in the NSSPC.

Addresses by practicing journalists and professors of journalism covering various aspects of newspaper work.

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 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 (English only)
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)

Workshop sessions for teacher-advisers, supervisors and principals, and for the student-delegates.

Each delegate/adviser should bring his own bed sheet/blanket, mosquito net, pillow case, towel, plastic glass or cup, toothbrush, toothpaste, and other personal things.