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SEARCH FOR OUTSTANDING SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS TEACHERS

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

1. The National Science Technology Administration (NSTA) and the Ministry of Education, Culture and Sports are jointly sponsoring a search for outstanding science and mathematics teachers on the elementary and secondary levels. The competition will be formally launched during the school year 1982-1983. **Awarding will be done on July 1983 to coincide with the celebration of National Science and Technology Week**
2. The aim of the Search is to award teachers who, through their own initiative and efforts, have contributed to the promotion of better science and mathematics education in their respective areas of responsibility.
3. The competition is in two categories for each of the elementary and secondary levels, one for science and one for mathematics. It is open to all science and mathematics teachers in both public and private schools. **Inclosed are the guidelines for the Search which must be followed as closely as possible**
4. To facilitate a systematic and fair selection of awardees, it is suggested that committees be formed at each level, from school through national levels. The progress of committee work at each level should be a part of the Regional Director's Annual Report.
5. It is desired that this Memorandum be given the widest publicity to enable as many teachers as possible to participate in the contest.

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Minister

Incl.:  
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(Inclosure to MECS Memorandum No. 216, s. 1982)

GUIDELINES IN THE SEARCH FOR OUTSTANDING ELEMENTARY  
AND SECONDARY SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS TEACHERS

1. The search for outstanding elementary and secondary science and mathematics teachers sponsored by the NSTA and the MECS will continue this school year 1982-1983. The awarding will be done during the observance of National Science and Technology Week in July, 1983.
2. The competition is open to all classroom teachers who do actual teaching of elementary science and mathematics and secondary science and mathematics in both public and private schools.
3. The selection will be done from the school level through the national level. The outstanding science and math teachers in the school will therefore vie for the district competition, the district winners for the division competition, the division winners for the regional competition, and the regional winners for the national competition. Six outstanding science and mathematics teachers for each of the elementary and secondary levels will then be chosen from among winners on the regional level.
4. The general criteria on which the selection at each level will be based are as follows:
  - The science teacher must have:
    - a. demonstrated competence in the use of effective approaches to science teaching as evidenced by any of the following:
      - (1) Number of students who qualify for admission in science-high schools (This will include all the science and mathematics teachers who taught the students in the elementary grades).
      - (2) Number of students who qualify for scholarship in college science/math courses (This will include all the science and mathematics teachers who taught the students in the high school).
      - (3) Number of students who enrolled in college science/math courses (This will include all the science and mathematics teachers who taught the students in the high school).

(4) Must have been adviser in any of the following on the division, regional and/or national levels:

- Winner in the science fair (project)
  - Winner in the science and/or math quiz
- b. Written and produced instructional materials and/or equipment in science/math that have contributed to the improvement of teaching.
- c. introduced and/or demonstrated an innovative science/math project that has contributed to the improvement of the quality of life in the community.
- d. conducted an action research on any of the aspects of science and/or math teaching.
- e. Written a paper on science/mathematics.
- f. been the recipient of an award or recognition for services rendered in the field of science/mathematics.

A winner at any level need not satisfy all the above items but should meet the greatest number of the items in the criteria.

5. The selection of awardees at each level shall be made by a board of judges or selection committee composed of the following:

a. School level

- Elementary

Principal

2 ranking Classroom Teachers

Secondary

Principal

Science/mathematics Department Head

A ranking Classroom Teacher

- b. District level:
  - District Supervisor  
A ranking Principal  
The Science/Math Coordinator  
if there is any
- c. Division level
  - Division Superintendent  
Division Science Supervisor  
Division Math Supervisor  
(Any Division Supervisor if  
there is only one super-  
visor for science and math)
- d. Regional level
  - Regional Director  
Regional Science Supervisor  
Regional Math Supervisor  
(Any Regional Supervisor if  
there is only one super-  
visor for science and math)
- e. National level
  - A representative from NSTA  
The Director of BEE  
The Director of BSE

6. Each outstanding science/math teacher at each level shall be awarded by the NSTA. These awards, by levels, shall be as follows:

<u>Level</u>	<u>Award</u>
Division	- A certificate each to the Most Outstanding Science and Math Teachers from the elementary and secondary schools
Region	- A plaque each to the Most Outstanding Science and Math Teachers from the elementary and secondary schools
	- Cash Prize of Two Thousand pesos (P2,000.00)

National

- To the Most Outstanding Science and Math Teachers from the elementary and secondary schools
  - a. The President's Trophy
  - b. Cash prize of Five Thousand pesos (₱5,000.00)
  - c. For provincial winners residing outside Metro Manila, round trip expenses as determined by immediately available transportation facilities and current fares
  - d. Free one-day stay at one of the first class hotels
  
- To the 2nd Most Outstanding Science and Math Teachers from the elementary and secondary schools
  - a. The Minister's Trophy
  - b. Cash prize of four thousand pesos (₱4,000.00)
  - c. and d. same as first Prize Winner
  
- To the 3rd Most Outstanding Science and Math Teachers from the elementary and secondary schools
  - a. The Minister's Trophy
  - b. Cash prize of three thousand pesos (₱3,000.00)
  - c. and d. Same as First Prize Winner.

7. The selection of candidates for the Search shall be done during the school year 1982-1983. The following timetable should guide the selection committee at each level.

<u>Level</u>	-	<u>Inclusive Dates of Selection</u>
School )		
District )	-	September - October, 1982
Division	-	November - December, 1982
Regional	-	January - March, 1983
National	-	April - June, 1983

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