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1985 RETARDED CHILDREN'S WEEK

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

1. Every year Retarded Children's Week is observed from February 14 to 20 conformably to Proclamation No. 1385, dated February 12, 1975.
2. The theme of this year's celebration will be "Growing in Wisdom". All schools are enjoined to observe the Week by giving stress on activities designed to develop the handicapped. Efforts should be directed in providing assistance to enable them to avail themselves of opportunities for suitable work and to ensure their active integration in society.
3. The suggested activities hereunder may be undertaken during the Week.
 - a. Encourage out-of-school mentally handicapped children of school age to attend classes, sheltered workshops, pre-vocational training, etc., available in the country.
 - b. Disseminate information on work capabilities and potentials of the mentally handicapped/retarded.
 - c. Launch a survey of job opportunities for the mentally retarded the result of which will serve as guide in organizing short-term vocational training classes.
 - d. Hold community assemblies, symposia and/or panel discussions on topics geared to the theme.
 - e. Conduct a day camp, an open house, exhibits of finished products, a field day, film shows and/or cultural shows involving mentally retarded children/youth.
4. All schools are enjoined to cooperate with other government and non-government agencies in the observance of the Week.
5. Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

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Minister

Reference: MECS Memorandum No. 19, s. 1984

Attachment: 1-2-3-4-(D.C. 1-76)

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