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(Republic of the Philippines)
MINISTER NG EDUKASYON, KULTURA AT ISPORTS
(MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, CULTURE AND SPORTS)
Maynila

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MECS MEMORANDUM
No. 183, s. 1985

1985 EDUCATION WEEK

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

1. Conformably to Proclamation No. 2399 dated February 25, 1985, of the President of the Philippines designating the second week of December every year as Education Week, the observance of the Week this year will be from December 6 to 14, inclusive. Inclosed is a copy of the Proclamation. It may be mentioned, in this connection, that until last year Education Week was celebrated during the second week of September.
2. As stated in the proclamation, the celebration will be undertaken through the "initiative of the Ministry of Education, Culture and Sports to recognize the objectives, programs and accomplishments of the education system and to honor and recognize the roles and contributions of public and private school teachers and education support personnel."
3. Accordingly, it is desired that appropriate classroom and other activities be held each day of the Week, which may be designated as follows:

Monday, December 9	- Moral Values Day
Tuesday, December 10	- Academic Excellence Day
Wednesday, December 11	- Physical Fitness/Sports Day
Thursday, December 12	- Culture and Arts Day
Friday, December 13	- Teachers and Staff Day

4. A list of suggested activities is also inclosed. Attention in this connection is invited to MECS Order No. 55, s. 1985, particularly the submission of nominations for Outstanding Teacher Award and Outstanding Employee Award.

5. Brief accounts of the celebration from the field will be appreciated.

(Sgd.) JAIME C. LAYA
Minister

Incls.:

As stated

Reference:

MECS Order: (No. 55, s. 1985)

MECS Memorandum: No. 152, s. 1984

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

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index.

under the following subjects:

CEREMONIES AND FESTIVALS

SCHOOLS

PROCLAMATION
Manila

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

PROCLAMATION NO. 2390

Education
DESIGNATING THE SECOND WEEK OF DECEMBER EVERY YEAR AS ~~TEACHERS' WEEK~~

WHEREAS, the second week of December every year marks the signing of the 1863 Educational Decree which reorganized the Spanish colonial educational system and the establishment of primary instruction and normal schools for Filipino teachers;

WHEREAS, succeeding educational acts during the American Occupation, the Commonwealth Era and the present Republic provided for the same objectives of Educational Act of 1863 and an expanded educational program in the Philippines greatly affecting students and teachers;

WHEREAS, it has been the policy of the Philippine government to develop high-level professions that will provide leadership for the nation and improve the quality of human life, including the establishment and maintenance of a complete, adequate and integrated system of education relevant to the goals of national development;

WHEREAS, actual implementation of these educational reforms and objectives are made possible through the unselish participation and guidance of teachers in the noble task of educating the Filipino youth and these noble efforts have contributed to the progress achieved in providing education and strong Filipino values among the youth;

WHEREAS, this proclamation serves as a fitting honor and recognition to the noble deeds and efforts of the teachers in molding a reliable and strong Filipino citizenry;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FERDINAND E. MARCOS, President of the Philippines, do hereby declare the second week of December of every year as "Education Week," the final day of which shall be designated "Teachers' Day." During "Education Week," appropriate activities shall be undertaken through the initiative of the Ministry of Education, Culture and Sports to recognize the objectives, programs and accomplishments of the education system and to honor and recognize the roles and contributions of public and private school teachers and education support personnel.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Republic of the Philippines to be affixed.

Done in the City of Manila, this 25th day of February, in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and eighty-five, and of the Independence of the Philippines.

By the President:

(SGD.) FERDINAND E. MARCOS
President

(SGD.) JUAN C. TUVERA
Presidential Executive Assistant

CERTIFIED COPY:

A true copy

(SGD.) MELQUILADES T. DE LA CRUZ
Presidential Staff Director
Malacanang Records Office

(Inclosure No. 2 to MECS Memorandum No. 133, s. 1985)

SUGGESTED ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK

1. Ecumenical masses throughout the country.
2. Publicity/information dissemination through newspapers, TV, and radio of accomplishments in the educational field.
3. Exhibits of books, pamphlets, brochures and other materials related to education; vocational education exhibits/activities.
4. Bulletin board display of statistics through pictures, graphs, and charts.
5. Literary-musical programs.
6. Quiz shows on the Philippine educational system; academic contests and related activities.
7. Open house of MECS offices, libraries, etc.
8. Testimonial programs for teachers and non-teaching personnel.
9. Professional educational forums/assemblies (seminars, symposia, open public discussions of educational issues, etc.)
10. Educational/cultural tours, social activities.
11. Recognition/award rites/ceremonies for deserving MECS personnel, parents, students and private individuals and groups.

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