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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, CULTURE AND SPORTS  
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**OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY**

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**DECS MEMORANDUM**

No. 251, s. 1997

**1997 PIGGY BANK  
CONTEST FOR CHILDREN**

To: Regional Directors  
School Superintendents  
Heads of Public and Private Elementary Schools

1. The Philippine Postal Savings Bank (PPSB) in cooperation with the National Commission on Savings of which the Department of Education, Culture and Sports is co-chairman announces the conduct of the Piggy Bank Contest of Children. This is part of a worldwide competition being sponsored by the World Savings Institute and the Japanese Postal Savings Bureau.

2. The contest is one of the many events being launched in conjunction with the celebration of Savings Consciousness Week from June 30 - July 6, 1997. It shall kick-off an aggressive thrift and savings campaign for children in recognition of the sector's potential in raising the level of domestic savings and reinforce the value of saving in all sectors of society especially the children, youth and student sector.

3. The contest is open to all children from Grades I to VI, who are presently enrolled in public and private schools, aged six (6) to twelve (12) years old. Participants may submit their entries to the Regional Committee not later than July 23, 1997. The prize winners should be selected not later than July 30, 1997. Regional winner entries to the national contest should reach the PPSB, Manila not later than August 15, 1997. Details of the competition and entry form are enclosed as Annex A.

4. It is desired that regional office organize a task force in the elementary division to coordinate the activities of the contest. The suggested specific activities of the task force are listed in Annex B.

5. Inquiries should be addressed to:

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6. Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

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Undersecretary and  
Officer-in-Charge

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As stated

Reference:

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under the following subjects:

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CELEBRATIONS & FESTIVALS  
CONTESTS  
PUPILS

Annex A

MECHANICS OF THE PIGGY BANK CONTEST

1. Conduct of Regional Contest

All piggy banks (entries) shall compete at the regional level where two (2) winners from each category shall be determined. Venue of the competition shall be set by the National Commission on Savings.

2. Conduct of National Search

The two (2) winning regional entries from each category shall be sent to Manila where five (5) winners from each category shall be judged on August 23, 1997 during the National Workshop on Savings. The national contest will be conducted during the 1st Anniversary of the Commission in September 15, 1997, venue of which will be set by the NSC. The overall winning entry shall be sent to Japan as the Philippine official entry to the 1997 World Piggy Bank Contest in October 1997.

3. Program Evaluation

Program monitoring and evaluation shall be constantly conducted.

IMPLEMENTING GUIDELINES

1. What the participants shall do

1.1 Participants shall make piggy banks of their own design subject to the criteria as set in these guidelines.

2. Who may participate

2.1 The contest is open to all children from grades I to VI who are presently enrolled in public and private schools aged six to twelve years old.

3. Category

3.1 Participants shall be categorized into the following:  
(Elementary Level Only)

Category	Grades
A	I to III
B	IV to VI

**4. Standards**

- 4.1 Materials. Participants may use any type of inexpensive material/materials for his/her entry.
- 4.2 Size. Total dimension (length plus width plus height) of entries must not exceed 25 cms.
- 4.3 Feature. Entries must somehow depict Filipino culture and must be sturdy enough to withstand transportation.

**5. Submission of Entries**

- 5.1 Interested participants may submit their entries to the regional committee (Task Force). All entries must be accompanied by the following:
  - 5.1.1 Duly accomplished application form/entry form
  - 5.1.2 Certification of enrollment by the school principal/school head
- 5.2 All entries must be accompanied with an accomplished entry form available at the DECS Regional Office.
- 5.3 The Regional Panel of Judges shall select two (2) winning entries from each category and shall send the same to the National Contest.
- 5.4 The National Panel of Judges shall select from among the regional entries five (5) winning entries from each category (A & B). It shall also select an overall winner from among these winning entries.
- 5.5 The overall winning entry shall be sent to the World Savings Bank Institute (WSBI) as the Philippine national entry to the 1997 World Piggy Bank Contest.

**6. Prizes**

- 6.1 Winners in the Regional Contest shall receive a Medal and Cash Prize amounting to ONE THOUSAND PESOS (₱1,000.00) for each winner.
- 6.2 Each winning entry in the National Contest shall receive a cash prize amounting to THREE THOUSAND PESOS (₱3,000.00).
- 6.3 The overall winner will receive TEN THOUSAND PESOS (₱10,000.00) plus a trophy.
- 6.4 Prizes will be underwritten by the National Commission on Savings.

7. Panel of Judges

7.1 Panel of judges from the regional and national levels shall be composed of five (5) members: one (1) from the DOF, one (1) from DECS, one (1) from DILG, one (1) from PSB, and one (1) from BSP. They shall designate a chairman from among themselves.

8. Decision of the Panel of Judges shall be final and non-appealable.

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**OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM**

NAME OF PUPIL: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Family Name) \_\_\_\_\_ (Given) \_\_\_\_\_ (Middle)

COMPLETE HOME/MAILING ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ TEL. NO.: \_\_\_\_\_

SEX: \_\_\_\_\_

AGE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BIRTH: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF SCHOOL: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

REGION: \_\_\_\_\_

GRADE: \_\_\_\_\_ SECTION: \_\_\_\_\_

TITLE OF PIGGY BANK ENTRY: \_\_\_\_\_

MATERIALS USED: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE OF PUPIL

**CERTIFICATION**

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Pupil)  
is presently enroled in grade \_\_\_\_\_, in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name and address  
of school)

Name of Principal/School Head

Signature of Principal/School Head

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Annex B

**FUNCTIONS OF THE REGIONAL TASK FORCE  
ON THE PIGGY BANK CONTEST**

1. Check entries to the contest as to accomplishment of forms and certification of schoolhead
2. Sets venue of contest and awarding of prizes
3. Sends winning regional entries to the national contest to NCS through PPSB
4. Sends to DECS Central Office the names of winners in the regional contest c/o Dr. Graduacion R. Acosta, Office of Planning Service, Department of Education, Culture and Sports, Pasig City
5. Convenes the board of judges to select the regional winners

**Note:** The selection and awarding of winners at the national level and the overall winner to the 1997 World Piggy Bank Contest are undertaken by the PPSB and the NSC.

DECS Central Office will coordinate with the NCS and PPSB for the sending of the prizes to the Regional Task Force.