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DECS MEMORANDUM  
No. 351, s. 1997

LAUNCHING OF THE NATIONWIDE SEARCH FOR YOUNG ART SCHOLARS  
BY THE PHILIPPINE HIGH SCHOOL FOR THE ARTS

To: Bureau Directors  
Regional Directors  
Schools Superintendents  
Private Elementary School Principals

1. The Philippine High School for the Arts (PHSA), the first and only state-funded secondary school for young artists in the Philippines and in Asia in its search of exceptionally gifted and talented students in Visual Arts, Dance (Ballet and Folk), Music (Voice and Instrument), Theater Arts and Creative Writing, is once more accepting applications for full secondary education scholarship.
2. Successful applicants will be given special education and training in their art field of interests to ensure the continuing source of artists of excellence and leaders in the preservation and promotion of the Filipino national culture. Free tuition fee, free loan of books, board and lodging and a monthly stipend await the successful applicants plus a chance for a yearly renewal of scholarship when criteria are satisfactorily met.
3. Successful graduates of PHSA must be willing to pursue a college degree in Architecture, Fine Arts, Music, Dance, Theater Arts, Journalism or any related course.
4. Inclosed are reproducible application form and brochure of the search for PHSA scholars. Fully accomplished application form and other requirements sent directly to the Screening and Identification of Scholars Committee are still subject to preliminary evaluation. Qualified applicants will be notified to report for examination and live audition slated in February and March 1998 in any of the sixteen (16) Regional Test and Audition Centers nationwide.

5. All applications are to be addressed to The Chair, Screening and Identification of Scholars Committee, PHSA, National Arts Center, Mt. Makiling, College 4031 Laguna. Deadline for application is on January 30, 1998. For further inquiries, contact Mr. Rey Wong during office hours at Tel/Fax (049) 5362862 or call Nos. 09182600 554 and 09123280 826.

6. The assistance of Elementary Education Division (EED) and/or Physical Education and School Sports (PESS) Division Chiefs or their duly appointed coordinator is requested to enable the Screening and Identification of Scholars Committee of PHSA to identify the most accessible and equipped (e.g. piano, rehearsal space, conference room, etc.) school to be converted into a Regional Test and Audition Center or RTAC. This is to ensure that all talented and gifted children in arts are given proper attention and extra recognition by the state through said scholarship grant. Likewise, the name of the coordinator per DECS Regional Office to PHSA are to be submitted to expedite the flow of communication and other pertinent information between your office and PHSA.

7. Travel and other incidental expenses incurred thereat by the coordinator, applicants, and their mentors and/or parents shall be charged against local funds subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

8. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is expected.



RICARDO T. GLORIA  
Secretary



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Reference: DECS Memorandum: No. 430, s. 1996

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