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Office of the Secretary*

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DECS MEMORANDUM
No. 35, s. 1998

**NATIONAL ESSAY WRITING CONTEST
ON THE CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION**

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

1. The Rotary Club of Manila (RCM) will be holding a National Essay Writing Contest in line with the Centennial Celebrations for all Filipino students under 18 years old nationwide.
2. The theme of the essay is *"If Dr. Jose Rizal Were Alive Today, Would He Be Happy With The State Of Our Nation?"*
3. The objective of the contest is to strengthen cultural understanding and to inculcate patriotic and moral values among our students.
4. Since this is a national contest, participants need not be recommended by a school principal to join this contest, nor would they need to pass through local, district or regional eliminations.
5. RCM will start accepting entries from January 15 until February 15, 1998. Students who wish to join this contest may send their entries directly to the:

National Essay Writing Committee
Rotary Club of Manila
2/F Delgado Building, corner of 25th Street and Bonifacio Drive
Port Area, Manila

6. Entries may either be in Filipino or English (no mixing of Filipino and English), not more than ten (10) pages of 8" x 11" bond paper, double spaced.

7. Entries shall be judged according to:

Relevance of the topic	-	40%
Correctness of grammar	-	30%
Presentation of idea	-	30%
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8. The Panel of Judges shall be composed of members of the RCM Board, academe, business sector and prominent leaders of today.

9. Only three winners will be declared/awarded:

First Prize -	Scholarship Fund worth	P 50,000.00
	Cash Prize	P 15,000.00
	Gift Certificates for textbooks worth	P 10,000.00
	Trophy	
Second Prize-	Scholarship Fund worth	P 35,000.00
	Cash Prize	P 8,000.00
	Gift Certificate for textbooks worth	P 5,000.00
	Trophy	
Third Prize -	Scholarship Fund worth	P 25,000.00
	Cash Prize	P 4,000.00
	Gift Certificate for textbooks worth	P 2,000.00
	Trophy	

10. Immediate dissemination of the contents of this Memorandum to all concerned is desired.

Reference:

None

Allotment: 1--(D.O. 50-97)

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index
under the following subjects:

CONTESTS
STUDENTS


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