



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES  
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, CULTURE AND SPORTS  
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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

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DECS MEMORANDUM  
No. 67, s. 1998

**CENTENNIAL GRADUATES**

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

1. Pursuant to Inclosure No. 6 of DECS Memorandum No. 328, s. 1997 entitled "DECS Centennial Way of Life", the Department of Education, Culture and Sports will launch its *Search for Centennial Graduates* in both public and private elementary and high schools.
2. The *Search for Centennial Graduates* aims to:
  - a. recognize outstanding students in specific areas where our heroes excelled;
  - b. deepen one's pride in being a Filipino among our pupils/students;
  - c. raise the level of cultural consciousness of school children relative to the significance of the Centennial of our Philippine Independence; and
  - d. relearn the values of our historical struggle and use them for future development.
3. The Search shall consist of the following awards:
  - a. Philippine Centennial Heroes Award
  - b. Apolinario Mabini Award
  - c. Gregoria de Jesus Award
  - d. Juan Luna Award
  - e. Marcelo H. del Pilar Award
  - f. Gen. Gregorio del Pilar Award

4. The qualifications of the Centennial Graduates are as follows:
- a. *Philippine Centennial National Heroes Award (Rizal, Aguinaldo and Bonifacio Awards)* - to be given to the most outstanding graduating student who has excelled in leadership and overall academic achievement.
  - b. *Apolinario Mabini Award* - to be given to the graduating student excelling in the academic achievement.
  - c. *Gregoria de Jesus Award* - to be given to the female graduating student outstanding in leadership and academic achievement.
  - d. *Juan Luna Award* - to be given to the graduating student excelling in the visual arts.
  - e. *Marcelo H. del Pilar Award* - to be given to the graduating student excelling in literary writing.
  - f. *Gen. Gregorio del Pilar Award* - to be given to the graduating student outstanding in leadership in CAT/Boy or Girl Scouts.
5. A school centennial award board shall be created for the implementation of these awards.
6. Diplomas to be given to the graduating students in both public and private elementary and secondary schools must have the Centennial logo (see inclosure).
7. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

  
ERLINDA C. PEFIANCO  
Secretary

Incl.:

As stated

Reference:

DECS Memorandum: (No. 328, s. 1997)

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

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