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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. 125, s. 1998

1998 NATIONAL MUSIC COMPETITIONS

To: Bureau Directors
Regional Directors
Schools Superintendents
Divisional Leader School Principals (Secondary)
District Supervisors

1. The Department of Education, Culture and Sports in cooperation with the Cultural Center of the Philippines announces its co-sponsorship of the National Music Competitions for Young Artists organized by the NAMCYA on November 21-28 to be held at the Cultural Center of the Philippines. This showcases the participation of the DECS in celebration of the Philippine Centennial.

2. Per Presidential Proclamation No. 1173, s. 1973, the last week of November of each year has been designated National Music Week during which the NAMCYA competitions comprise the main focus of the celebration.

3. The 1998 NAMCYA competitions which shall focus on the theme "Kalayaan ng Diwang Pilipino" will be in two phases:

Phase I - Regional music competitions and auditions to be held in the month of October in the following categories: a) children's choir; b) piano; c) winds; d) chamber music wind ensemble; e) elementary school rondalla; f) family ensemble - vocal and instrumental; and g) ethnic groups and solos in string and gong instruments.

Phase II - Final competitions and traditional music concerts will be held at the Cultural Center of the Philippines in Manila to be participated in by the first prize winners in the regional competitions who shall pass the auditions. A handbook of competition rules and guidelines are available at the regional NAMCYA secretariat.

4. Expenses incurred by the supervisors, teachers and participants in the division, regional and national level competitions shall be charged against local funds subject to its availability and the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

5. Regional directors assisted by their regional and division supervisors as coordinators are hereby designated heads of the NAMCYA regional committee to oversee the selection and training of participants in their respective areas. The national secretariat shall take care of the national coordination.

6. In compliance with the provisions of Presidential Proclamation No. 1173, this Department enjoins all regional directors to allocate from their respective MOOE funds at least fifty thousand pesos (P50,000.00) to cover part of the expenses to be incurred by the participants for the National Music Competitions subject to the usual accounting and auditing requirements.
7. Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.


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Secretary

Reference:

DECS Memorandum: No. 263, s. 1996

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