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DECS MEMORANDUM

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NATIONAL CHILDREN'S MONTH

To Bureau Directors
Directors of Services/Centers and Heads of Units
Regional Directors
Schools Division Superintendents
Elementary and Secondary School Principals

1 The month of October is celebrated as the National Children's Month pursuant to Presidential Proclamation No 267 This year's theme 'Batang Filipino sa Bagong Siglo Kalusugan, Karapatan, Kinabukasan – Sigurado!' focuses on our vision for the Filipino children in the 21st century

2 To celebrate the occasion, all schools are enjoined to conduct any of the following child-focused activities

- a Hang a streamer carrying the theme
- b Conduct symposia discussions seminar workshops and other related activities on current issues and concerns on the Filipino child to concerned audiences particularly parents and guardians
- c Organize child friendly activities for employees dependents and other audiences (e g) art contests kiddie fairs, essay writing etc)
- d Support photo or art exhibits and film showing
- e Organize parades children's march caravans and field trips
- f Sponsor free mobile services to less fortunate children and their families (e g medical and dental needs food and nutrition play and leisure activities and the like)
- g Conduct/sponsor contests where children can freely express their views and ideas
- h Integration of the celebration in different subject areas
- i Giving of recognition award to outstanding children that have made significant contributions in the school or in the community and
- j Other relevant activities

3 Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum to all concerned is desired

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Secretary

Reference DECS Memorandum No 328, s 1998

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