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**FLAGSHIP PROGRAMS FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF READING  
AND THINKING SKILLS**

To Bureau Directors  
Regional Directors  
Schools Superintendents

- 1 The Professional Skills Enrichment Center (PROSEC) Inc is offering flagship programs on reading and thinking skills
- 2 The PROSEC's two programs are Academic Proficiency for grade school and Speedreading for high school. These programs aim to a) enhance appreciation of reading as an essential skill, b) increase reading speed from 6 1/2 to 10 times (3 1/2 to 5 times for grade school), c) improve comprehension/retention by 10 to 12%, and d) serve as foundation for analytical reading and critical thinking
- 3 These also include a study method that reduces study time by half and test taking tips or ease in examinations
- 4 In line with the Department's efforts at improving the reading skills of elementary and secondary schoolchildren, public and private schools may adopt these programs depending on their needs and the availability of their resources. Those who are interested may contact Dr Rodolfo A Delos Reyes, Director, Professional Skills Enrichment Center Inc (PROSEC) at tel nos 897 2060, 895 7439 and 896 2459 and fax no (632) 896 24595
- 5 Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired

  
ANDREW GONZALEZ, FSC  
Secretary

Reference None

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