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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, CULTURE AND SPORTS
DECS Complex, Meralco Avenue
Pasig City, Philippines



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sa DECS*

*Tanggapan ng Kalihim
Office of the Secretary*

February 2, 2001

DECS MEMORANDUM
No. 53, s. 2001

NATIONAL SPECIAL OLYMPIC GAMES

To: Bureau Directors
Regional Directors
Schools Division/City Superintendents
Private Elementary and Secondary Schools Principals

1. Recognizing the crucial role of sports in facilitating the integration of children with intellectual disabilities in school and in the society, the Special Olympics Foundation, Inc., in coordination with the Department of Education, Culture and Sports, will hold the National Special Olympic Games at Teachers Camp, Baguio City on March 5-9, 2001. It aims to provide them with excellent avenue to participate actively in sustainable sports.

2. Participants are children with intellectual disabilities enrolled in SPED classes from the cities of Baguio, Manila (2 areas), Quezon City, Davao, Cebu, Iloilo, Bacolod, San Pablo and two areas from the Bicol Region who have joined in local and/or regional games. Each identified area is allowed a maximum number of 35 athletes, one (1) coordinator and seven (7) coaches/chaperons/SPED teachers. The superintendent or supervisor in-charge of Special Education per area is also invited. Areas unable to fill in the complete quota will have to communicate immediately so that other schools/divisions requesting for additional participants will be duly informed. The ratio of athlete to teacher/chaperon is 5:1.

3. Athletic events in this year's games include basketball, volleyball, soccer, bowling, shotput, long jump, track and field (50 m and 100 m dash), and relay (4 x 50 and 4 x 100). Participants are allowed to join in a maximum of 3 athletic events. Sports classification, number of participants, gender and ages for each event can be found in the enclosure.

4. Roundtrip transportation expenses from Manila to Baguio as well as board and lodging of participants will be shouldered by the Philippine Special Olympics Foundation, Inc. Divisions/schools will shoulder the transportation fare from their places of origin/stations to Manila and other incidental expenses charged to local funds and other NGO resources.

5. To facilitate identification of contestants and coaches/chaperons as well as preparation of sports facilities and equipment, please send/fax the following information on or before February 23, 2001.

- a. Names of athlete contestants and their sports events;
- b. Coaches/Chaperons
- c. Total number of delegates.

6. Please address all inquiries to Special Education Division, Bureau of Elementary Education, DECS, Meralco Avenue, Pasig City with tel. no. 631-99-93 and Nicanor Jorge, President, Philippine Special Olympics Foundation, Inc., UP Alumni Center, UP Campus, Diliman, Quezon City with telefax no. 920-69-27.

7. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

R. C. Bacani
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Officer-in-Charge
Undersecretary

Encl.:

As stated

References:

DECS Memoranda: Nos. 411 and 502, s. 1998

Allotment: 1—(D.O. 50-97)

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

ATHLETICS
PUPILS
SPECIAL EDUCATION
STUDENTS

(Enclosure to DECS Memorandum No. 53, s. 2001)

Events	Number of Participants/Gender	Ages
Basketball	8 boys	
Volleyball	8 girls	
Soccer	7 boys	
Bowling	2 boys & 2 girls	
Track & Field	2 boys 2 boys 2 girls 2 girls	8 - 13 14 & above 8 - 13 14 & above
Bowling a. Individual b. double mixed	boy/girl boy/girl	
Athletics a. 50 m run b. 100 m run	girls & boys girls & boys	8 - 13 14 & above
Relay a. 4 x 50 b. 4 x 100	girls boys	
Standing Long Jump	girls girls	8-13 14 & above
Running Long Jump	boys boys	8 - 13 14 & above