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TENTH NATIONAL YOUTH CONGRESS

To: Bureau Directors
Regional Directors
Schools Division/City Superintendents
Heads, Public and Private Secondary Schools
Vocational High School Principals

- 1. The Philippine Association of Secondary School Administrators (PASSA), announces the holding of its Tenth National Youth Congress on July 12-14, 2004 at Teachers Camp, Baguio City. This year's theme is "Kabataan, Saan Ka Patungo? (Towards Academic and Moral Excellence and Leadership)." This milestone youth congress is a complementary sequel to the current efforts at education reform, which views education in its totality of formation of the mind and heart not only academic affairs, but, even more important, in moral decisions that shape the future of the high school youth.
- 2. The congress aims to help top student leaders in academics, and examine the issues facing them at home, in school, with their friends, and in their relations. Specific moral issues shall be presented with the aim of providing universal criteria for decision-making for life. The theme shall be developed through plenary conferences on four topics: Academic Excellence, Moral Excellence, Understanding Parents and Teachers, and Managing Friends and Relations. This is preceded by a session on establishing priorities and posteriorities in accordance with the age and maturity level of the students. There will be a breakout session on moral questions and two planning workshops. There will also be several cultural interventions, including competitions among the delegates in music, writing, reading, speaking and indigenous cultural dance.
- 3. Participants to this congress are the following: two (2) student academic leaders, preferably from the senior and junior years, from the different PASSA member high schools nationwide, master teachers and guidance counselors, and the present PASSA board of directors of the federated organization. The

PASSA board of directors shall manage the congress and act as resource persons. Attendance to this congress shall be on official business.

- 4. A registration fee of Three Thousand Nine Hundred Pesos (Php 3,900.00) shall be charged each participant to cover board and lodging, honoraria of resource speakers and staff, conference materials, and other related conference expenses. Meals shall be served from the supper of July 11 until breakfast of July 14. Members of the different committees, as well as the present PASSA officials and Board of Directors are authorized to travel two days before the congress. Traveling expenses and registration fee shall be charged against local funds or local school board funds subject to its availability and the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.
- 5. Participants are requested to bring documentary reports on Student Council activities and accomplishments for school year 2003-2004. This will serve as initial basis for a national student council recognition exercise.
- 6. For more details, contact Mr. Reynaldo L. Guiling at PASSA Office with tel. no. 631-06-50.
 - 7. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum to all concerned is desired.

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Reference:

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