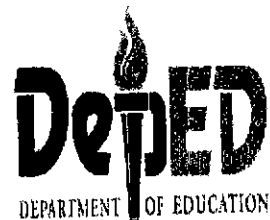




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**NATIONAL POPULATION QUIZ (POPQUIZ) 2004**

To: Bureau Directors  
Regional Directors  
Schools Division/City Superintendents

1. The Bureau of Secondary Education, Department of Education, in coordination with the Commission on Population, shall conduct the National Population Quiz (POPQUIZ) for SY 2004-2005 on October 19-21, 2004 at the Top Plaza Hotel, Echavez St., corner Quezon Avenue, Dipolog City, Zamboanga Del Norte, DepED Region IX (being the Champion Region in the 2003 National Pop Quiz), with the theme "Young Adolescents: Making Choices, Building Voices".
2. A planning meeting with the regional PopED coordinators and BSE staff will be held a day after the contest to plan programs and projects on Population Education based on the 2002 BEC.
3. The objectives of the contest, the participants, timetable, mechanics of the contest, and management of activities at various levels are indicated in the enclosure.
4. The board and lodging expenses of the regional contestants, coaches, regional PopED coordinators and BSE staff shall be charged against BSE funds. The transportation expenses of BSE staff shall be charged to BSE funds while those of regional contestants, coaches and regional PopED coordinators shall be charged to local funds, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations. The POPCOM delegates shall charge their transportation and board and lodging expenses against POPCOM local funds.
4. The Division PopED coordinators, principals and others who will join the official delegation shall charge their registration fee to cover board and lodging in the amount of Two Thousand Four Hundred Pesos (Php2,400.00) and their travel expenses to school/division funds or other sources of funds. Payment should be made in cash.
5. The Regional PopED Coordinators shall send the names of the participants to the Bureau of Secondary Education (Attn.: Ms. Melinda P. Rivera/Ms. Rosalie B. Masilang, at telefax no. 632-7746 or 632-7586) not later than October 15, 2004.
6. Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

  
EDILBERTO C. DE JESUS  
Secretary

Encl.: As stated

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CONTESTS  
POPULATION EDUCATION  
STUDENTS

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## NATIONAL POPULATION QUIZ (POPQUIZ) 2004

### 1. Objectives

The contest aims to:

- 1.1 sustain among in-school youth and the general public awareness of and interest in population issues and matters;
- 1.2 convey population and development concepts/messages to students which are essential to making informed decisions on family life and responsible parenthood, poverty, adolescent sexual and reproductive health and rights; and
- 1.3 promote among in-school youth, values supportive of population and development education.

### 2. Participants

- 2.1 The contest is open to all Fourth Year high school students of public and private schools as well as laboratory schools of state colleges and universities nationwide.
- 2.2 Official delegation

The members of the regional delegation to the national contest are the following:

- 2.2.1 the regional contestants
- 2.2.2 the official coach of the regional contestants
- 2.2.3 the DepED Regional PopED Coordinators
- 2.2.4 the Regional POPCOM Officer (RPO)
- 2.2.5 the DepED Division PopED Coordinators
- 2.2.6 Principals
- 2.2.7 SED Chiefs/Asst. Chiefs

Members of the official delegation are expected to register at the venue on the afternoon of October 19, 2004.

### 3. Management

- 3.1 At the national level, the activity shall be managed by an Executive Committee composed of officials from DepED and cooperating agencies such as POPCOM, CHED, TESDA, DOH, NEDA, DILG, PIA/KBP and others. A Technical Working Group composed of selected BSE shall assist this committee and POPCOM staff that shall oversee program implementation at all levels. To ensure the

success of the activity, the regions are encouraged to set up a structure of similar composition.

- 3.2 The division and regional level contests shall be the responsibility of the divisions and regions concerned while the national level contest shall be the responsibility of the BSE.

#### 4. Timetable

The POPQUIZ 2004 shall be conducted according to the following timetable:

- School level - between July 26 and August 20, 2004
- Division level - between August 23 and September 15, 2004
- Regional level - between September 15 and October 11, 2004
- National level - October 20, 2004

#### 5. Contest Guidelines

##### 5.1 Selection and Elimination

###### 5.1.1 School/Division/Regional Level Contest

- 5.1.1.1 The regional committee shall determine the mode of conduct and contest mechanics at these levels
- 5.1.1.2 The regional winner shall represent the region at the national level contest.

###### 5.1.2 National Level Contest

- 5.1.2.1 A national champion shall be declared from among the competing regional participants.

##### 5.2 Contest Questions

- 5.2.1 Local contest committees shall prepare the questions that shall be used in their respective contest levels in accordance with the general test construction principles.

- 5.2.2 The content of questions shall be based on the Population Education Core Messages/Key Concepts as follows:

- 5.2.2.1 Family Life and Responsible Parenthood
- 5.2.2.2 Gender and Development
- 5.2.2.3 Population and Reproductive Health
- 5.2.2.4 Population, Environment, Resources and Sustainable Development

- 5.2.3 Review materials shall be provided by DepEd/POPCOM

## 6. Rules and Mechanics: National Level

- 6.1 Contestants shall be provided with pen and numbered and color-coded writing sheets for their use during the contest. The monitor shall collect writing sheets after every round.
- 6.2 English and Filipino shall be used as the official languages in the conduct of the quiz.
- 6.3 There shall be a total of twenty (20) questions to be given, 6 of which are "easy questions", 7 are "average", and 7 are "difficult"
- 6.4 Points for every correct answer shall be given as follows:
  - One (1) point - for an "easy" question
  - Two (2) points - for an "average" question
  - Three (3) points - for a "difficult" question
- 6.5 The quizmaster shall read each question twice. Countdown shall start after the question has been read for the second time.
- 6.6 Contestants shall be given a maximum of thirty (30) seconds to answer questions that require computation. Other questions shall only be given ten (10) seconds.
- 6.7 Should a contestant wish to change an answer that he/she has written down, this answer should be crossed out with one horizontal line and the new answer written clearly above the crossed out answer. A contestant is allowed to change his/her answer within the time allotted for a particular question.
- 6.8 A national champion shall be proclaimed based on a cumulative scoring system.
- 6.9 All ties shall be broken by the tiebreaker questions from the "difficult" category.
- 6.10 The following procedure shall be observed in case of a protest or inquiry during the actual quiz proceedings:
  - 6.10.1 Only the official coach of the contestant is allowed to raise a protest or inquiry at the earliest appropriate time during the contest.
  - 6.10.2 The protest or inquiry shall be addressed orally to the Chairman of the Board of Judges who shall recognize the protest or inquiry.
  - 6.10.3 The Chairman of the Board of Judges shall announce decisions resulting from the protest or inquiry at the earliest appropriate time during the contest.

7. Board of Judges: National Level

The Board of Judges shall be composed of three experts in population, adolescent sexual and reproductive health and rights and other development concerns. A chairperson shall be selected from among the members of the Board. The decision of the Board shall be final.

8. Contest Prizes

8.1 National Level

Champion - P10,000.00 and a trophy  
Other contestants (non-winners) - P2,000.00 and a plaque of recognition

8.2 Regional Level

The first prize winner shall be awarded an institutional trophy from the Population Commission.