



**Tanggapan ng Kalihim**  
Office of the Secretary

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DepED MEMORANDUM  
No. 420, s. 2004

60<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE LEYTE LANDING

to: Bureau Directors  
Directors of Services, Centers and Heads of Units  
Regional Directors  
Schools Division/City Superintendents  
Heads, Public and Private Elementary and Secondary Schools

1. Administrative Order No. 102 issued by President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo directs the Secretary of Foreign Affairs to spearhead the preparation for the celebration of the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Leyte landing. It will be co-chaired by Senator Richard Gordon and the Executive Director of the National Historical Institute (NHI). This will be in coordination with all the government agencies and non-government organizations and associations for the duration of the celebration.
2. The objectives of the celebration are to :
  - a. commemorate the historic Leyte Landing which initiated the liberation of the Philippines during Word War II; and
  - b. memorialize the ideals and deeds of the World War II Veterans as a means of enhancing patriotism among Filipinos and fortifying the ties of friendship among freedom-loving nations
3. As a member of the National Operational Group (NOG), DepED encourages all regional, division and school officials to hold meaningful and fitting activities with the participation of students in both public and private schools. The teachers in Makabayan, Filipino and English are also encouraged to conduct a lesson-centered activity on the significance of the Leyte Landing in the lives of the Filipinos yesterday, today and tomorrow.
4. Region VIII, with the Divisions of Leyte and Tacloban City is requested to coordinate with the Office of the Provincial Governor regarding their participation to the scheduled programs and activities.
5. Expenses incurred by the region, divisions and schools concerned are chargeable against local funds (Parent-Teacher Association, Local School Board Fund, or from NGOs, civic spirited clubs and associations) subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

6. For further information, please contact the Special Events Unit, DepED Complex, Meralco Avenue, Pasig City at tel. nos. (02) 637-5832, (02) 637-5834, (02) 632-1361 local 2074, DepED Region VIII at tel. no. (053) 323-6075; Division of Leyte, (053) 323-8881; Division of Tacloban City, (053) 325-9201; and the Office of the Provincial Governor at tel. no. (053) 325-5156.
7. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

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