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DepED MEMORANDUM
No. 59, s. 2005

2005 YOUTH FOR ENVIRONMENT SEMINAR FOR KIDS
(YES 4K)

To: Regional Directors
Schools Division/City Superintendents
Heads, Public and Private Elementary Schools

1. The Department of Education-Center for Students and Co-Curricular Affairs (DepED-CSCA), the Department of Environment and Natural Resources-Youth Desk (DENR-Youth Desk) and the Science Club Advisers' Association of the Philippines (SCAAP) will conduct the Youth for Environment Seminar (YES) for Kids on April 8-12, 2005 at the DepED Ecotech Center, Lahug, Cebu City.
2. With its theme, *Kabataan: Kasangga ng Kalikasan para sa Kinabukasan* (4K) and its sub-theme, *"Ako, Ako, Kukulay sa Mundo"* the YES for Kids 2005 aims to:
 - a. instill environmental awareness and initiate pupils' active participation and determined action in the protection, preservation and rehabilitation of the environment, and in the conservation of natural resources;
 - b. develop environmental leadership through values development among schoolchildren;
 - c. showcase schoolchildren's talents and skills in various interactive events, friendly competitions and other activities as training for participatory school-based environmental campaign;
 - d. foster a strong sense of brotherhood and camaraderie in nation building with fellow participants regardless of creed, culture, socio-economic status and other factors; and,
 - e. formulate an action plan and pledge of commitment to be implemented in their respective schools and communities through the establishment of a school based environmental clubs and the implementation of relevant projects.
3. Activities during the YES for Kids include plenary sessions, interactive course sessions, outdoor activities and contests, such as but not limited to, essay-writing, on-the-spot poster-making, SAYAWIT (*Sayaw at Awit sa Kalikasan*), comic-strip writing, environmental quiz, environmental games and YES-O exhibits/spotlight featuring success stories on environmental action and initiative. A significant activity for the teachers' session is a training on the Project Water Education for Teachers (WET), of which a separate Certificate of Completion will be given to participants.

4. Participants in the seminar-workshop are incoming Grades IV, V, and VI (including graduating pupils) such as student-leaders, Science Club officers and members, Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, Elementary Pupil Government Officers, Campus Journalists, recognized pupil organizations, teacher-advisors, school principals from different public and private schools nationwide, elementary science education supervisors and other education officials. Regional Directors, Schools Division Superintendents and School Principals are encouraged to send participants to the YES for Kids.
5. A registration fee of Three Thousand Five Hundred Pesos (PhP3,500.00) shall be charged each participant to cover accommodation and meals from dinner of day 0 to breakfast of day 4, training kits, certificates, reproduction of modules and speeches, speakers' honoraria, t-shirts and bags and other incidental expenses of the program, chargeable against local funds/local school board funds or sourced from private organizations.
6. Members of the DepED National Organizing Committee and Secretariat are authorized to travel three (3) days before the start of the YES for Kids.
7. The Division and Regional Elementary Science Education Supervisors are assigned to coordinate the participation of pupils and teachers in the YES for Kids.
8. Participants are required to confirm their participation by sending or faxing the enclosed pre-registration form (PRF) on or before **March 23, 2005** to the CSCA Office, DepED Complex, Meralco Avenue, Pasig City, at telefax nos. 631-8495, or 636-3603.
9. For further details, please contact the CSCA Office c/o Executive Director Joey G. Pelaez, the DENR Youth Desk c/o Ms. Magnolia Q. Danganan at tel. nos. 926-8346 or Mrs. Aurora Catabona, President, Science Club Advisers' Association of the Philippines (SCAAP) at tel. No. (02) 637-0492. Enclosed is the program of activities of the Youth for Environment Seminar (YES) for Kids.
10. Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.


FLORENCIO B. ABAD
Secretary

Encl.: As stated

Reference: DepED Memorandum: No. 4, s. 2004

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DENR-Youth Desk
Science Club Advisers' Association of the Philippines (SCAAP)
DepED Ecotech Center, Lahug, Cebu City
April 8-12, 2005

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

Day 0, Friday (April 8, 2005)

AM

8:00	Arrival of Participants Registration and Billeting Course Enrolment (Students)	Contest Registration (Students)
	Green Environment Blue Environment Brown Environment Environmental Theater Arts Ecological Waste Management Environmental Leadership	<i>Essay-Writing (English)</i> <i>On-the-Spot Poster Making</i> <i>SAYAWIT sa Kalikasan</i> <i>Environmental Quiz</i> <i>Comic-Strip Writing</i> <i>YES-O Spotlight/Exhibits</i>

PM

6:00	Dinner	
8:00	Orientation Program Film Showing Theme Capturing Activity	MR. JOEY G. PELAEZ <i>CSCA Executive Director</i> MS. MAGNOLIA Q. DANGANAN <i>DENR National Youth Desk Officer</i> MRS. AURORA R. CATABONA <i>SCAAP National President</i>

Day 1, Saturday (April 9, 2005)

AM

6:00	Breakfast	
8:00	Opening Ceremony	SECRETARY MICHAEL T. DEFENSOR <i>Keynote Speaker (to be confirmed)</i> "Panaghoy ng Kalikasan" <i>(Understanding Environmental Catastrophes and Natural Disasters: Past, Present and Future)</i>
10:00	Plenary Session	"Mga Nawawalang Kulay ng Mundo" <i>(Understanding Man-made Disasters)</i>
11:00	Plenary Session	MS. DONNA REYES <i>Deputy Executive Director, MIRIAM PEACE</i>

PM

12:00	Lunch	
1:30	Breakout Sessions Students Teachers	Various Courses (DENR Training Team) Water Education for Teachers' Training Part I Nestle Philippines CEAE Trainers

3:30	Simultaneous Contests Essay Writing Contest Comic Strip Writing Poster Making Contest Sayawit sa Kalikasan Environmental Quiz YES-O Exhibits/Spotlight	(Elimination) (Finals) (Finals) (Elimination) (Elimination) (Initial Judging)
6:00	Dinner	
7:30	Cultural Night	Abellana National School MS. LULI MACAPAGAL ARROYO <i>First Daughter/Director FIT-ED</i>

Day 2, Sunday (April 10, 2005)

AM

6:00	Breakfast	
8:00	Plenary Session	<i>Environmental Catastrophes and Natural Disasters Response and Preparedness</i> National Disaster Coordinating Council <i>Mitigating the Effects of Natural and Man-Made Environmental Catastrophes and Disasters (What a Youth Can Do)</i> Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR)
9:30	Plenary Session	<i>"Healing the Earth"</i> ATTY. TONY OPOSA <i>Chair, National Environmental Action Team</i> <i>Integrated Bar of the Philippines</i>
10:30	Plenary Session	

PM

12:00	Lunch	
1:30	Breakout Sessions Students Teachers	Various Courses (DENR Training Team) Water Education for Teachers' Training Part II Nestle Philippines CEAE Trainers
3:30	Simultaneous Contests Essay Writing Contest Environmental Quiz YES-O Exhibits/Spotlight	(Finals) (Finals) (Final Judging)
6:00	Dinner	
7:30	SAYAWIT sa Kalikasan (Finals)	MR. DINGDONG DANTES DepED-CSCA Youth Spokesperson HONORABLE CASIMIRO YNARES, JR. DENR Assistant Secretary

Day 3, Monday (April 11, 2005)

AM

6:00	Breakfast	
8:00	Environmental Games Ako, Ako Kukulay sa Mundo!	DENR Training Team

PM

12:00	Lunch	
1:30	Plenary Session	"A Seed of Investment for a Sustainable Environment" – HARIBON Foundation

2:30	Plenary Session	Educating Environmental Leaders MS. MELINDA DE JESUS , <i>Chairperson</i> <i>Media Freedom and Responsibility</i>
3:30	Breakout Sessions Students Teachers	Culmination of Camp Courses <i>National Environmental Education Plan</i> Environment Management Bureau <i>SCAAP Hour</i> MRS. AURORA CATABONA SCAAP President
5:30	Environmental Reflection PANATA SA KALIKASAN	
6:30	Dinner	
8:00	Closing and Awarding Ceremonies and Fellowship Night	DR. FE A. HIDALGO Undersecretary, Department of Education

Day 4, Tuesday (April 12, 2005)

AM

6:30	Breakfast
8:00	Distribution of Certificates

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
 CENTER FOR STUDENTS AND CO-CURRICULAR AFFAIRS
 DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES
 SCIENCE CLUB ADVISERS' ASSOCIATION OF THE PHILIPPINES

YES for Kids

April 8-12, 2005
 DepED Ecotech Center, Lahug, Cebu City

PRE-REGISTRATION FORM (PRF)

Region : _____
 Division: _____

(Please write legibly and complete all data required. All information shall form part of the directory for future use and benefit.)

No.	Name of Participants	Organization/ Affiliation (teacher-advisers should be indicated)	School's Complete Address	Contest (to be participated in) (Optional)	Camp Course (Required)	Contact Number	Billeting Assignment
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(please use separate sheet for additional participants)

Date: _____

 Signature
 Supervisor/Principal/Teacher-Adviser

Send your Pre-Registration Form (PRF) to DepEd-CSCA, ATTENTION: Executive Director Joey G. Pelaez on or before March 23, 2005 (Registration is on a first-come-first-served basis).

Note: Certificate of Recognition from the DepEd Central Office will be awarded to Schools, Principals, Teachers- Advisers with participants to the YES Kids 2005.

2005 Youth for Environment Seminar (YES) for Kids
Contest Guidelines

I. General Guidelines

1. The contest is open to all registered participants to the YES for Kids and who are not more than 13 years of age.
2. A participant is qualified to compete in only one contest, whether individual or group, except the environmental games.
3. Contestants shall indicate their contests of interest in the Pre-Registration Form or Verification Form. In any case, contestants shall also be required to fill up the Contest Registration Form (CRF) and submit the same to the Secretariat during DAY O immediately after camp registration.
4. As a rule, an elimination round shall be conducted for the contests.
5. There shall be a contest briefing 15 minutes before the contest proper, which shall not be repeated by the Contest Administrator. Clarifications, however, may be made.
6. Decisions of the Board of Judges are final.

II. Specific Guidelines

A. On the Spot Poster-Making Contest (Individual Category)

1. The poster should revolve around the theme which will be announced by the contest administrator during the contest proper.
2. The medium for visual artistry shall be water color. The required base paper to be used during the contest, however, is an illustration board.
3. All materials will be provided by the organizers, except the water color. Borrowing of materials from other contestants shall not be allowed.
4. The allotted time for the contest is two (2) hours, after which all entries shall be submitted to the contest administrator. Contestants may decide to submit his/her poster earlier without waiting for the lapse of the allotted time.
5. Each poster shall be identified by a number that corresponds to the number and identity of the contestant for the judging process.
6. Judging shall be based on the following criteria:

Originality of Idea	40%
Relevance to the Theme	40%
Overall Impact	20%
Total	100%

B. Environmental Quiz (Individual Category)

1. A maximum of three (3) contestants per school shall participate in the Quiz, one (1) each from Grade IV, V and VI levels.
2. Contests shall be separate for the different grade levels.
3. English and Filipino shall be used as the official language in the conduct of the quiz.
4. Questions shall focus on environmental facts, laws, current events, initiatives and other subjects pertaining to the environment and ecology, particularly on the areas covered by the curriculum for the respective grade levels.
5. Each question shall be read twice by the quizmaster. The contestants shall only answer as soon as the quizmaster shall have read the question twice and have so indicated their time to write the answer in big bold letters. Countdown shall start immediately thereafter.
6. Contestants shall be given a maximum of twenty (20) seconds to answer questions that require computation. Other questions shall only be allotted ten (10) seconds.
7. The contestants shall bring their own pens, answer sheets shall be provided by the organizers. Should the contestant decides to change an answer, he/she shall cross out the answer so written with only one horizontal line and the new answer shall be written legibly above the crossed out answer. The contestant is allowed to change answer within the time allotted for a particular question.
8. The contestants shall flash/raise their answers as soon as the allotted time to answer is over. The answer shall be read out loud by the quiz assistants and collect each contestant's answer sheet after every question.
9. If applicable, depending on the number of entries, an elimination round shall be held.
10. During the elimination round, failure to answer one (1) question correctly shall disqualify and eliminate the contestant. The elimination round shall involve easy, average and difficult questions.
11. For the elimination round, only fifteen (15) or less qualifiers for every grade level shall advance to the finals regardless of division or regional membership.
12. During the finals, there shall be a total of thirty (30) questions to be given for three rounds, ten (10) of which for the easy round, ten (10) for the average round and another ten (10) for the difficult round.

13. For the easy round, one (1) point shall be given for each correct answer, two (2) points for every correct answer for the average round; and three (3) points for each correct answer for the difficult round.

14. The three highest scoring contestants shall be declared the winners for each level.

C. Essay-Writing Contest (Individual Category)

1. This contest is open only to Grade VI participants.

2. Only one contestant per school shall be eligible to join the contest.

3. It shall be an on-the-spot essay writing contest. As such, the theme/topic shall be announced during the contest proper.

4. The essay must be written in English, handwritten on a bond paper (8.5" x 11") provided by the organizers with one-inch margin on all sides.

5. The essay should be written legibly in black or blue ink only and should not exceed three hundred (300) words.

6. Contestants shall be given two (2) hours to complete their essay. They shall not be allowed to leave the contest venue once the contest has officially started.

7. The contest administrator shall decide if an elimination round is proper and necessary.

8. Only three (3) contestants shall be chosen as winners.

9. Criteria for judging shall be based on the following:

Content	40%
Relevance to the Theme	30%
Unity/Organization of Idea	15%
Grammar	15%
Total	100%

D. SAYAWIT-Sayaw at Awit Para sa Kalikasan (Group Category)

Mother nature is the epitome of life and beauty. It is but befitting that through the grace of our bodily movements in dances and the beauty of our songs and voices, we show our appreciation of nature and the environment. The SAYAWIT is a dance presentation and song interpretation to honor mother nature.

1. A minimum of five (5) performers and a maximum of twenty (20) participants shall perform during the production number.

2. Dancers and singers shall be considered as performers.

3. The performance must consist of a song and dance presentation on the environment. Participants must actually sing and dance at the same time. Any song in English, Filipino or any dialect may be used, or a combination thereof may be utilized.

4. The presentation should last for a maximum of eight (8) minutes, in which period shall be included the introduction and the exit of the performers.

5. The presentation shall be stopped when time is up.

6. Musical accompaniment for the presentation should be in minus-one format and may either be cassette tape or compact disc-generated only. No live accompaniment shall be allowed.

7. The presentation must have environmental relevance and significance.

8. Props should be at the minimum only.

9. Only one (1) group shall represent a school.

10. Depending on the number of entries, an elimination round will be conducted.

11. There shall be a different set of Board of Judges during the elimination and the final round.

12. Judging shall be based on the following criteria:

Environmental Relevance	30%
Voice Quality	20%
Precision of Dance Movements	20%
Originality	20%
Projection and Overall Impact	10%
Total	100%

E. Palaro ng Kalikasan (Group Category)

1. The Palaro ng Kalikasan shall be a team competition based on the camp courses groupings.

2. The Palaro shall consist of several events, which shall be more on environment and indigenous games, including cheering competitions.

3. The organizers shall provide all materials and equipment necessary for the events.

4. The teams with the most number of points shall be declared winner for every event.

F. Comic Strip Making Contest (Individual Category)

1. The comic strip should be relevant to the environmental theme which will be announced by the contest administrator during the contest proper.

2. The organizers shall provide the illustration board, pencil and crayons.

3. The contestants are not allowed to bring any other materials, except their respective persons.

4. Only twelve (12) cells are allowed for the contest.

5. The allotted time for the contest is two (2) hours, after which all entries shall be submitted to the contest administrator. Contestants may decide to submit his/her comic strip earlier without waiting for the allotted time to lapse.
 6. Each comic strip shall be identified by a number, corresponding to the contestant's number for judging purposes.
 7. Judging shall be based on the following criteria:

Story Development	30%
Relevance to the Theme	30%
Design/Physical Appearance	20%
Originality	20%
Total	100%
- G. YES-O Exhibits**
1. The exhibits should touch on the school-based YES-O's implementation of environmental projects as mandated in the YES-O's constitution and by-laws. It shall also feature the organization's plans and success stories on environmental action and initiative.
 2. The exhibits shall consist of pictures appropriately labeled, certifications, approved and implemented project proposals, publications, reports, write-ups and other materials that comply with number 1.
 3. The organizers shall only provide a manila paper measuring 3 feet x 4 feet on which the exhibits shall be mounted.
 4. Other materials shall be provided by the contestants.
 5. The exhibits shall be set up during Day O immediately after the registration of participants. Only those registered and who are members of the school YES-O delegation are allowed to set up the exhibits.
 6. Participants shall inform the organizers in advance of their interest to join this contest.
 7. Judging shall be based on the following criteria:

Compliance with YES-O Mandate	80%
Design/Physical Appearance of Exhibits	20%
Total	100%
- H. YES-O Spotlight**
1. The YES-O spotlight should touch on the school YES-O's implementation of environmental projects as mandated in the YES-O's constitution and by-laws. It shall also feature the organization's plans and success stories on environmental action and initiative.
 2. The spotlight shall consist of pictures appropriately labeled, video clips, certifications, approved and implemented project proposals, publications, reports, write-ups and other materials that comply with number 1 to be presented using MS PowerPoint Presentation or other applicable programs.
 3. The presentation must be saved in a 3.5 diskette or a CD.
 4. The organizers shall only provide an LCD projector and a computer to be used during the actual presentation.
 5. Depending on the number of contestants, an elimination round shall be conducted.
 6. Only those registered and who are members of the school YES-O delegation are allowed to present the spotlight in three (3) minutes. Every minute of extension shall subject the contestant to one point deduction. The presenter shall be subjected to questions by the Board of Judges.
 7. Participants shall inform the organizers in advance of their interest to join this contest.
 8. Judging shall be based on the following criteria:

Compliance with YES-O Mandate	60%
Design of PowerPoint Presentation	20%
Actual Presentation	20%
Total	100%

Note: Cash Prizes and/or Trophies shall be awarded to all individual and group competitions.

2005 Youth for Environment Seminar for Kids (YES for Kids)

April 8-12, 2005

DepED-Ecotech Center, Lahug, Cebu City

REGISTRATION PROCEDURE

1. Only the REPRESENTATIVE of the school, division or region, if delegation is by school, division or region respectively, shall transact business with the REGISTRATION COMMITTEE.
2. Upon arrival, proceed to the Registration Hall with your list of delegation duly written on the Pre-Registration Form (PRF) in four (4) original copies. If you fail to bring the PRF, please secure one (1) set of the Verification Form (VF). VF consists of four (4) copies, namely, the SECRETARIAT'S COPY, CASHIER'S COPY, BILLETING COMMITTEE'S COPY and PARTICIPANT'S COPY. Fill up the VF with the names and other pertinent information of your delegates.
3. Present your four (4) copies of the Pre-Registration Form (PRF) or your accomplished Verification Form (VF) to the personnel assigned to your Region at the Verification Counter for verification. The personnel assigned shall stamp all four (4) copies of your PRF or VF with the word "VERIFIED". The Verification Counter shall get the SECRETARIAT'S COPY of the PRF or VF for record purposes.
4. **DO NOT LOSE YOUR PARTICIPANT'S COPY. Only the Participant's Copy shall be used to claim the kits, meal tickets, IDs, bags, hand-outs, shirts, certificates and other training collaterals.**
5. Pay to the CASHIER. Upon payment, an official receipt shall be given and the three (3) remaining copies of the PRF or VF shall be stamped "PAID" and signed. The Cashier shall get the CASHIER'S COPY of the PRF or VF for record purposes.
6. Present your remaining copies of the PRF or VF to the Billeting Committee Counter for assignment of quarters. The Billeting Committee shall stamp your PRF or VF with the word "BILLETED" and get the Billeting Committee's Copy of your PRF or VF.
7. Upon assignment of billeting quarters, proceed to the **RELEASING COUNTERS** for the bags, shirts, kits, meal tickets, IDs, and others. The personnel assigned shall stamp the word "ISSUED" on your PRF or VF once the camp collaterals have been given. Please countersign on a separate form upon receipt of the camp collaterals.
8. Proceed to the Contest Registration booth. Get a copy of the Contest Registration Form (CRF) and fill it up. Submit/Return the CRF immediately to the booth duly filled up and signed by the contestant himself/herself indicating the contest of interest. **Only those who submitted their CRF on DAY 0 shall be allowed to join the contest.**
9. By now, you are through with the registration. Please prepare for the next activity as indicated in your schedule of activities.

Thank you very much and God Bless!

Youth for Environment Seminar for Kids (YES for Kids)

April 8-12, 2005

DepED-Ecotech Center, Lahug, Cebu City

OTHER GUIDELINES

PRE-SEMINAR PREPARATION

Pre-Registration Requirement

The slots are limited. To ensure your participation, please send and/or fax in your pre-registration form (PRF), indicating course and contest preference, to the Center for Students and Co-Curricular Affairs (CSCA) at 631-8495 or 636-3603 on or before March 23, 2005 and copy furnish your respective Regional Offices c/o the Elementary Science Education Supervisor/Coordinator.

TRAINING PROPER

Arrival of Participants/Registration

Participants are expected to arrive on April 8, 2005. Upon arrival, please proceed to the Registration Hall at the DepED Ecotech Center for the verification, payment, distribution of kits and billeting assignments.

Advance arrival should be coordinated with the Secretariat c/o Elmer C. Albacete at telephone numbers 636-3603 or 631-8495 at least five (5) days before arrival.

Payment

Payment in cash is preferred. Payment in check shall be made payable to the Science Club Advisers Association of the Philippines (SCAAP). No personal checks shall be honored.

Billeting and Accommodation

Accommodation shall start in the morning of April 8 and end in the morning of April 12. Charges for advance and extended accommodation shall be for the account of the participants.

Meals

Meals shall start dinner of April 8, 2005 and end breakfast of April 12, 2005. Meal tickets should be taken cared of. Lost meal tickets will not be replaced.

Wearing of ID

IDs must be worn at all times for your security. No participant shall be allowed entry in the plenary, mess and other session halls without the ID.

Medical Needs

All participants are presumed in good health. However, medical needs shall be addressed by the organizers. A standby group of medical practitioners shall be employed by the organizers and shall be stationed at the Secretariat's office. A standby vehicle shall be provided for emergency cases. Expenses in this regard shall be charged against personal funds.

Transportation

For your trip to DepEd-Ecotech Center, Lahug, Cebu City, participants may take the following means of transport and routes:

For participants coming from PIER #6, please take a TAXI or the Public Utility Jeeps plying the route of SM-LAHUG located near SM-Cebu City.

For participants coming from MACTAN-CEBU INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, please take a TAXI outside the airport.

Departure of Participants/Distribution of Certificates and Hand-Outs

No one is allowed to go home ahead of schedule. All participants must depart after breakfast of April 12, 2005. All certificates and hand-outs shall be given immediately after the closing ceremonies following the same procedure during the registration. Please bring your respective Pre-Registration Form (PRF) or Verification Form (VF).