



Republic of the Philippines  
Department of Education



JUL 08 2005

DepED MEMORANDUM

No. 192, s. 2005

CHILD-FRIENDLY SCHOOL SYSTEM (CFSS) AT THE SECONDARY LEVEL

To: Bureau Directors  
Regional Directors  
Schools Division/City Superintendents  
Heads, Public Secondary Schools

1. In line with the Sixth Country Program for Children (CPC-VI), UNICEF, in collaboration with the Department of Education (DepED) shall implement the Child-Friendly School System (CFSS) at the Secondary Level this SY 2005-2006. This project has now expanded from the elementary schools to the secondary schools.
2. In partnership with the school, the family and the community composed of the Local Government Units (LGUs), NGOs, church groups and other stakeholders, the CFSS Project aims to realize the child's rights to education and maturation.
3. To ensure the smooth facilitation of the activities embodied in the CFSS, the Regional and the Division Offices shall designate their official secondary school CFSS coordinators. The secondary school CFSS coordinators shall serve as the focal persons in the Region/Division in matters concerning the CFSS program in their respective regions and divisions. The names of the official CFSS coordinators for the secondary level may be submitted to the Bureau of Secondary Education (BSE), Attn.: Ms. Thelma M. Cruz/Ms. Rosalie B. Masilang at tel. no. (02) 632-1361 local 2062 and telefax no. (02) 632-77-46.
4. As an initial activity, the Project Consultants and BSE Specialists shall conduct a school familiarization process documentation in the eight (8) school settings between July and August 2005. The eight (8) school settings are listed in the enclosure.
5. Allowable travelling expenses, accommodation and per diem to be incurred relevant to the school visit shall be charged to UNICEF funds, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.
6. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

  
FLORENCIO B. ABAD  
Secretary

Encl.: As stated

Reference: DepED Memorandum No. 97, s. 2003

Allotment: 1—(D.O. 50-97)

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

Course of Study, SECONDARY  
PROGRAMS

Reformatted by: Sally/ChildFriendly(CFSS)  
June 29, 2005

(Enclosure to DepED Memorandum No. 192, s. 2005)

**The Child-Friendly School System at The Secondary Level:  
Project Description and Activities**

1. The Child Friendly School System (CFSS) at the secondary level commences with the school familiarization process documentation, which shall be conducted by the Bureau of Secondary Education and the CFSS- Secondary Level consultants: Ms. Vilma Bravo and Ms. Lilia Tuazon.
2. The goals of the CFSS at the secondary level include the following:
  - a. Develop a child-friendly leadership and inclusive child-friendly management;
  - b. Promote health education, healthy behavior and an environment safe for and protective of children's total well-being;
  - c. Provide every opportunity for enrolment and completion of secondary education to all children in the communities served;
  - d. Promote child-centered, effective teaching-learning practices and life skills relevant to the student's life situation both inside and outside of the classroom;
  - e. Build and sustain collaborative partnerships between and among students, teachers, families and communities;
  - f. Enhance teachers' professional capacity, morale and motivation; and
  - g. Create gender - friendly learning environment.
3. A secondary school shall be unanimously identified by the Region and Division Offices to represent one of the categories listed below:

Category	Region (Location)
1. Highly congested	NCR (Quezon City)
2. IP dominated	CAR (Benguet)
3. Armed-conflict	ARMM (Maguindanao)
4. Vulnerable to natural disasters	III (Aurora)
5. High Incidence of child-labor	V (Camarines Norte)
6. Integrated school	VII (Cebu)
7. Locally funded	VIII (Eastern Samar)
8. Madrasah	XII (North Cotabato)

4. The minimum criteria in the selection of a CFSS-Secondary School are as follows:
  - a. The school must typify the setting indicated in number 3.
  - b. The school principal/school head must be committed to the project.
  - c. The school must be near a CFSS-elementary school.

5. A week-long familiarization visit exclusive of travel time, shall be undertaken by the CFSS consultants and BSE staff on the following dates and places:

Date	Place	Consultant/BSE Staff
July 11-15, 2005	Aurora	L. Tuazon E. Calinisan
July 25-29, 2005	Quezon City	V. Bravo/L. Tuazon T. Cruz
August 1-5, 2005	Benguet	V. Bravo F. Pantino
August 8-12, 2005	North Cotabato	V. Bravo R. Masilang
August 8-12, 2005	Cebu	L. Tuazon M. Rivera
August 15-19, 2005	Maguindanao	V. Bravo V. Santos
August 15-19, 2005	Camarines Norte	L. Tuazon T. Cruz
August 22-26, 2005	Eastern Samar	L. Tuazon R. Ferrer

6. The tentative schedule activities is shown in the following table:

Day 1	AM	Courtesy call at the RO and DO
	PM	Meeting with school principal Administration of questionnaire to students
Day 2	AM	Session with teacher-representatives (by year level and by learning area ) Session with students (2 representatives by year level with equal representation of boys and girls)
	PM	Processing with teachers and students
Day 3	AM	Session with PTCA (2 representatives for each year level. Session with BCPC officials (participants shall not exceed 20)
	PM	Class Observations (Science, Mathematics, English)
Day 4	AM/PM	Community Visit (to be coordinated with Barangay Captain/Officers)
Day 5	AM/PM	Synthesis and preparation of the CFSS Action Plan of the school

7. The current regional and division CFSS Coordinators at the elementary level and the newly designated regional and division CFSS Coordinators at the secondary level shall attend the familiarization school visits throughout the week. It is expected that the latter shall be able to learn and assume the full responsibility for the task after the initial experience and other conferences, meetings and the like.