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PARTNERS IN LEARNING- "POTENSYAL" ANNUAL NATIONAL SEARCH
FOR INNOVATIVE DIVISIONS, PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS AND TEACHERS

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

1. In support of the Schools First Initiative (SFI) of the Department of Education (DepED) and thereby allowing the public secondary school teachers and students to be competitive in the global knowledge-based economy, Microsoft Philippines, through the Partners in Learning (PiL) program, will be conducting starting SY 2006-2007 the "POTENSYAL" annual nationwide search for the most innovative divisions, public secondary schools, and classroom teachers.
2. The Philippine public school system can be globally competitive by building and linking 21st century divisions, schools, and classrooms by using technology for:
 - a. Divisions monitoring and evaluation (M & E) system in order to improve the quality assurance in secondary education;
 - b. Secondary schools Education Management Information System (EMIS) in order to upgrade EMIS, and manage the school technology environment; and
 - c. Classroom technology environment to enhance integrative, interactive, and authentic teaching and learning in indigenized/localized context.
3. Pil – POTENSYAL's tri-level search will support the development of the Philippines' 21st century school system by providing over P50 million in technology and training grants to the top:
 - a. Thirty (30) divisions which will receive at least P2 million-worth of technology and training grants each;
 - b. Three (3) divisions (one each for Luzon, Visayas, and Mindanao will be given P10 million-worth of technology and training grants each; and
 - c. Twenty five (25) public secondary school teachers as semi-finalists in the nationwide yearly search for the Innovative Teachers Leadership Awards (ITLA), whereas its top five (5) teacher-finalists will represent the country in the annual Asian Regional Innovative Teachers Conference abroad.
4. For more information on how to join the PiL – POTENSYAL annual national search starting SY 2006-2007, interested divisions, public secondary schools, and classroom teachers may log on its website at www.pil.ph or contact The Director, Bureau of Secondary Education, 3/F Bonifacio Bldg., DepED Complex, Meralco Avenue, Pasig City (Attn.: Mr. Jesus L. Huenda, Chair, DepED ICT/E-TV Coordinating Committee, telefax no.: (02) 632-7746, mobile phone no.: 0920-9002256, jlhuenda@deped.gov.ph or jesuslhuenda@yahoo.com).

5. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.


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