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DepED MEMORANDUM  
No. 349, s. 2005

**PROMOTING SECONDARY SCHOOLING ALTERNATIVE (SAA) WITHIN  
THE FRAMEWORK OF THE CHILD-FRIENDLY SCHOOL SYSTEM (CFSS)**

To : Bureau Directors  
Regional Directors  
Schools Division/City Superintendents  
Heads, OHSS and CFSS Pilot Schools

1. In line with the Department's Education For All (EFA) goal of increasing participation rate, the Bureau of Secondary Education shall conduct the pilot testing of the Open High School System as a Secondary Schooling Alternative within the framework of the Child-Friendly School System. Prior to the pilot testing, a workshop on promoting the program shall be conducted on December 1-4, 2005 at Robbinsdale Hotel, # 14 Araneta Avenue corner Palanza Street, Quezon City.

2. The workshop aims to:

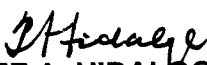
- a. orient the OHSS and CFSS administrators, guidance counselors, and coordinators regarding the concept, philosophy, objectives and implementing policies and guidelines of the Open High School System;
- b. discuss the Secondary Schooling Alternative within the framework of the Child-Friendly School System;
- c. identify the risk factors that cause students to drop out;
- d. provide synergy for the OHSS and CFSS pilot schools to develop plans of action to reduce drop-out rate; and
- e. appraise the Project EASE Modules as to the suitability to the distance learners.

3. Participants to this activity are the School Principal, the Guidance Counselor, and one Coordinator preferably a Head Teacher of any of the learning areas of each of the 26 OHSS and 8 CFSS pilot schools. The list of pilot schools that will participate in the workshop are in Enclosure Nos. 1 and 2. Participants are requested to be at the venue on the morning of December 1, 2005 for the registration and opening program.

4. Board and lodging of the participants and transportation of the BSE-DepED staff, honoraria of resource speaker, extra duty allowance, and supplies and materials shall be charged to the BSE project funds, while travel expenses of the OHSS and CFSS participants shall be charged against local funds, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations. Participants from interested private high schools may make their own arrangement including the registration fee of Four Thousand Five Hundred Pesos (P 4,500.00)

5. Deadline for confirmation of attendance shall be on November 25, 2005. For more information, please contact the Director, Bureau of Secondary Education, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Bonifacio Bldg, DepED Complex, Meralco Avenue, Pasig (Attn.: Mr. Virgilio A. Santos, telefax numbers (02) 632 7746 and (02) 636 5172).

6. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

  
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Officer-In-Charge  
Office of the Secretary

Encl.: As stated

Reference: None

Allotment: 1—(D.O. 50-97)

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

SCHOOLS  
SECONDARY EDUCATION  
WORKSHOPS

(Enclosure No. 2 to DepED Memorandum No. 349, s. 2005)

**LIST OF PILOT SCHOOLS OF THE  
CHILD-FRIENDLY SCHOOL SYSTEM (CFSS)**

<b>Region</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>Setting</b>
NCR	Commonwealth HS, QC	Congested community
CAR	Masla NHS, Tadian Mt. Province	IP Community
X11	Aleosan NHS, Pagangan Annex, Cotabato Prov.	Predominantly muslim community
ARMM	Mamasapano NHS, Maguindanao	Community that experience armed conflict
III	Umiray NHS, Aurora Province	Disaster-prone community
V	Jose Panganiban NHS, Cam. Norte	Community with working children
VII	Mabini Integrated School, Cebu City	Integrated school with one principal
VIII	Malinao HS, Taft, Eastern Samar	Integrated school but the HS is totally LGU-supported

**List of Pilot Schools of the OPEN HIGH SCHOOL SYSTEM**

REGION	DIVISION	SCHOOLS
I	Ilocos Norte	San Nicolas NHS
II	Isabela	Isabela NHS
III	Olongapo City	Olongapo City NHS
IV- A-CALABARZON	Cavite Lucena City Lipa City	Dasmariñas NHS (Main) Quezon NHS Lipa City NHS
IV-B- MIMAROPA	Occidental Mindoro	Occidental Mindoro NHS
V	Camarines Norte	Camarines Norte NHS
VI	Sagay City Palawan City	Sagay City NHS Panitian NHS-Española
VII	Dumaguete City	Dumaguete City NHS
VIII	Ormoc City	Ormoc City NHS
IX	Zamboanga City	Don Pablo Lorenzo NHS
X	Camiguin	Camiguin NHS
XI	Davao del Sur	Davao del Sur NHS
XII	Gen. Santos City	New Society NHS
XIII- CARAGA	Agusan City	Butuan City NHS
CAR	Baguio City	Baguio City NHS
ARMM	Lanao del Sur	Malabang NHS
NCR	Caloocan City	Caloocan City NHS
	Makati City	Makati City NHS
		Benigno Aquino NHS
		Fort Bonifacio NHS
	Manila	Gregorio Perfecto NHS
	Pasig City	Rizal HS (Main)
	Quezon City	Quezon City NHS
		Lagro NHS