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THE 2007 METROBANK-MTAP-DepED MATH CHALLENGE

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

1. The Metrobank Foundation, Inc. (MBFI), the Mathematics Teachers Association of the Philippines (MTAP), and the Department of Education (DepED) announce the holding of the 2007 Metrobank-MTAP-DepED Math Challenge from January to April 2007 with the theme "Moving Forward Through Excellence in Mathematics".

2. The overall objective of the competition is to contribute in improving the quality of Mathematics education in the Philippines. Specifically, it aims to:

- a. awaken greater interest in Mathematics among elementary and high school students in both public and private schools all over the country;
- b. encourage students to strive for excellence in Mathematics;
- c. encourage mastery of basic mathematical skills;
- d. discover mathematical talents among the students;
- e. develop the values of hardwork, perseverance, honesty, teamwork, and sportsmanship; and
- f. provide students with opportunities in leadership and cooperative undertaking.

3. The elimination and division level competition will be participated in by all elementary school pupils and high school students nationwide. However, only Grade VI pupils and Fourth Year students shall participate in the regional and national levels. For the National Finals, the following are the qualifications for both individual and team competitions:

- For NCR: Only the top 2 scorers during the Regional Finals for Grade VI and the 1<sup>st</sup> placers during the Regional Finals for 4<sup>th</sup> Year High School, Category A and Category B.
- Rest of Luzon: Only the top three regions out of 7 regions in the area for both Grade VI and 4<sup>th</sup> Year High School.
- Visayas: Only the top region out of 3 regions in the area for both Grade VI and 4<sup>th</sup> Year High School.
- Mindanao: Only the top three regions out of 6 regions in the area for both Grade VI and 4<sup>th</sup> Year High School.

4. The participating parties shall determine expenses from the elimination round to the regional level competition. Private school participants shall make necessary arrangements for their expenses with their school heads. At the national level, the Metrobank Foundation, Inc. (MBF) will finance the transportation expenses, accommodation and meal allowance of the national finalists and their coaches. MBFI shall also provide the awards for the winners from the Division Finals (medals) to the Regional and National finals (cash prizes, medals and trophies) as well as, cash incentives for the coaches of regional and national finalists.

5. The contest schedule, guidelines and mechanics of the competition, registration form for private school participants and summary of participants can be obtained from the Metrobank Foundation Office, any Metrobank branch, DepED regional and division offices nationwide.

6. Separate guidelines will be issued for the National Capital Region (NCR) competition. In case of conflict in schedule with other DepED activities, the divisions are advised to formally request rescheduling of the competitions or assign other appropriate Division/Regional Coordinators to administer the test at the division and/or regional levels.

7. Arrangements for substitute teachers must be made to ensure that the classes of the participating teacher-coaches will not be disrupted.

8. For more information, please contact Sr. Iluminada C. Coronel, f.m.m., President, Mathematics Teachers Association of the Philippines (MTAP), at the Stella Maris College, Cambridge St., Cubao, Quezon City at telefax no. (02) 912-5249 or [icoronel\\_mtaphil@yahoo.com](mailto:icoronel_mtaphil@yahoo.com); the MTAP Office c/o Dr. Soledad J. Dilao at tel. no. (02) 709-0447; or the MBFI at [foundation@metrobank.com.ph](mailto:foundation@metrobank.com.ph) or [idlabitad@metrobank.com.ph](mailto:idlabitad@metrobank.com.ph).

9. Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

  
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Secretary

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