

Republic of the Philippines **Bepartment of Education**



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UTILIZING THE ACCREDITATION PROGRAM FOR PUBLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS (APPES) CRITERIA FOR PLANNING SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT UNDER THE SCHOOL-BASED MANAGEMENT (SBM)

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

- 1. The enactment of RA 9155 entitled "An Act Instituting a Framework of Governance for Basic Education" has set the department's policy towards a decentralized management of education at the grassroots level. School-Based Management (SBM), first piloted by the Third Elementary Education Project (TEEP) in 2001, is emphasized among the principals and school heads particularly in analyzing their school heads and managing their resources to address these needs.
- 2. The on-going project "The Accreditation Program for Public Elementary Schools (APPES)" of the Bureau of Elementary Education (BEE), as a quality assurance assessment system, has already a well defined set of criteria which all principals and school stakeholders are encouraged to utilize in assessing their own school needs and in planning how to address these needs (Please refer to DepED Memorandum No. 113, s. 2004). In using the APPES criteria for self-evaluation (School Self-Survey), they will have bases (the schools' baseline data) for target setting and formulation of intervention strategies that can be incorporated in their School Improvement Plans (SIP).
- 3. In support of the principals and other school stakeholders implementing the SBM, the BEE and selected regional and division personnel will be conducting a yearly APPES Training. Initially, a National Cluster Training will be held at the dates and venues found in Enclosure No. 1. The objectives of the training are: a) to familiarize the principals/school heads of SBM implementing schools on the APPES background, process, activity flow, and scoring system; and b) to reorient the principals/school heads towards a more standards-based quality evaluation of their schools. Resource persons for these training activities shall be trained accreditors from BEE, regional and division offices.
- 4. In line with this, each division is enjoined to select the principals/school heads who will participate in the training based on the following criteria: a) must be principal/school head of an SBM-implementing school, b) must come from among either lowest performing or highest performing schools (based on NAT results), and c) have not undergone previous APPES orientation.

- 5. The Training for National Accreditors of APPES will also be conducted by the BEE and the Philippine Accrediting Association of Schools, Colleges and Universities (PAASCU) to enable region and division personnel to evaluate schools along APPES criteria and to provide technical assistance to SBM-implementing schools. Participants to this training are supervisors from regions and divisions who shall comprise the regional and division accreditation committees. Should there be no available division supervisors, the division may send the district supervisors to the training. The schedule of the training is found in Enclosure No. 2.
- 6. Transportation expenses incident to the participation of DepED personnel at the regional, division, district and school levels shall be charged against local funds while transportation and other expenses of BEE, PAASCU and regional/division resource persons including board and lodging of all participants shall be charged against BEE funds subject to the usual accounting and auditing procedures.
- 7. For more information, please contact the National Accreditation Secretariat, Staff Development Division, Bureau of Elementary Education, DepED Central Office, Meralco Avenue, Pasig City with telefax nos. (02) 687-29-48/632-1361 local 2058.
- 8. Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

Encls.:

As stated

Reference:

DepED Memorandum: (No. 113, s. 2004)

Allotment: 1—(D.O. 50-07)

To be indicated in the <u>Perpetual Index</u> under the following subjects:

ACCREDITATION SCHOOLS TRAINING PROGRAM

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National Cluster Training on Accreditation Program for Public Elementary Schools (APPES)

Group	Divisions	Venue	Date
Luzon 1	All divisions of Regions I, III	Tanauan City	August 6-8, 2007
Luzon 2	All divisions of II, CAR, IV- Calabarzon	Tanauan City	August 8-10, 2007
Luzon 3	All divisions of IV-Mimaropa, NCR, V	Iriga City	August 15- 17,2007
Visayas 1	All divisions of Region VI, Cebu, Negros Oriental, Cebu City, Dumaguete City, Bohol	Iloilo City	August 27-29, 2007
Visayas 2	All divisions of Region VIII and the remaining divisions of Region VII	Iloilo City	August 29-31, 2007
Mindanao 1	All divisions of Regions IX, XII, ARMM	Cotabato	Sept. 3-5, 2007
Mindanao 2	All divisions of Regions X, XI, CARAGA	Cotabato	Sept. 5-7, 2007

Enclosure 2

Training for National Accreditors of Accreditation Program for Public Elementary Schools (APPES)

Batch	Region	Division	# of Participant/s	Date	
1	I (1)	All (13)	14		
	II (1)	All (7)	8		
	III (1)	All (17)	18		
	CAR (1)	All (7)	8	September 10-12, 2007	
	IV-Mimaropa (1)	All (7)	8		
1	IV-Calabarzon (1)	All (14)	15		
	V (1)	All (13)	14		
	NCR (1)	All (14)	15		
2	VI (1)	All (17)	18		
	VII (1)	All (15)	16	·	
	VIII (1)	All (10)	11		
	IX (1)	All (8)	9	September 12-14, - 2007	
	X (1)	All (12)	13		
	XI (1)	All (9)	10		
	XII (1)	All (9)	10		
	CARAGA (1)	All (8)	9		
	ARMM (1)	All (7)	8		