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DepED MEMORANDUM
No. 304, s. 2007

NATIONAL HEROES DAY CELEBRATION

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

1. By virtue of Act No. 3827, the nation will celebrate the National Heroes Day on the last Sunday of August. This is in commemoration of the known and unknown heroes of the Philippine Revolution, the Philippine-American War and the World War II. The National Historical Institute (NHI), in cooperation and coordination with the other government agencies and non-government organizations and associations will lead in the undertaking of various historical and cultural activities to observe the event.
2. This significant occasion in Philippine History will be highlighted by the Wreath-Laying Ceremonies to be held at the Libingan Ng Mga Bayani (LNMB), Fort Bonifacio, Taguig City on August 26, 2007 with Secretary Jesli A. Lapus as the Guest of Honor. The Wreath-Laying Ceremonies will also be replicated in different cities and municipalities nationwide to be spearheaded by the Local Government Units (LGUs).
3. In support of the National Heroes Day celebration, the Department of Education (DepED) will join the program and activities at LNMB with DepED NCR-Division of Taguig-Pateros as lead division.
4. To make this year's celebration more meaningful, all public and private schools are encouraged to carry out activities integrated in related subject areas such as Sibika at Kultura, Hekasi, Araling Panlipunan, Values Education, MAPEH, Filipino and English during the classroom discussion to highlight the courage and patriotism of many heroes in the country's history. Likewise, during the week of August 20-24, teachers may conduct classroom essay writing, drawing, story telling, debate and oratorical contests on the values, heroism, nationalism, patriotism and love of country that were shown by the known and unknown heroes during the period of trials in this beloved country. To end the week, the Social Studies Department may spearhead the conduct of a simple campus program to be participated in by students.
5. The DepED Special Events Unit will sponsor the conduct of a symposium among the high school Makabayan (Social Studies) teachers of the 14 divisions of DepED-NCR (10 young teachers each division) on August 21, 2007, Tuesday at DepED Bulwagan ng Karunungan, DepED Complex, Meralco Avenue, Pasig City at 7:00 a.m. to 12:00 nn.

6. The school heads with the Social Studies department heads are requested to send report/documentation on the activities undertaken by the school in relation with the abovementioned activity. Please send reports to the addressee below: (copy furnished the Regional Director and Schools Division/City Superintendent):

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7. For more details, please contact the Special Events Unit (SEU) located at Room 505 Bonifacio Bldg., DepED Complex, Meralco Avenue, Pasig City with telefax no. (02) 637-5832 and tel. nos. (02) 637-5834; (02) 632-1361 local 2211.

8. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

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Undersecretary

Reference:

DepED Memorandum: No. 212, s. 2005

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