

Republic of the Philippines Department of Education



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2008 NUTRITION MONTH CELEBRATION

To:

Bureau Directors

Directors of Services, Centers and Heads of Units

Regional Directors

Schools Division/City Superintendents

Heads, Public and Private Elementary and Secondary Schools

- 1. Every year, in the month of July, the National Nutrition Council (NNC) leads the whole nation in the celebration of Nutrition Month, purposely to disseminate the messages of good nutrition to all Filipinos through a focal theme. For 2008, the theme is "Sa Wastong Nutrisyon ni Mommy, Siguradong Healthy Si Baby!", which focuses on ensuring the nutritional status of women prior to and during pregnancy.
- 2. Considering the importance of this year's celebration, all DepED central, regional and division offices are enjoined to undertake activities that would promote nutritional status among women. It should be emphasized however that the nutrition month activities do not disrupt the contact time between the teachers and learners as indicated in DepED Order No. 9, s. 2005.
- 3. It is expected that narrative and pictorial reports on the Nutrition Month Celebration be incorporated in the 3rd quarter report on the Integrated School Health and Nutrition Program, submitted to the Office of the Secretary, Attn.: The Director, Health and Nutrition Center, DepED Central Office, Meralco Avenue, Pasig City.
- 4. Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

RAMON C. BACANI Undersecretary

Reference: DepED Memorandum: No. 235, s. 2007

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