



Office of the Secretary

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2008 WOMEN'S MONTH CELEBRATION

To: Undersecretaries
Assistant Secretaries
Bureau Directors
Regional Directors
Directors of Services, Centers and Heads of Units
Schools Division/City Superintendents
Heads, Public Elementary and Secondary Schools

1. Presidential Proclamations No. 224 and 227 and Republic Act No. 6949, declare the month of March as Women's Month. The Department of Education (DepED), in coordination with the National Commission on the Role of Filipino Women (NCRFW) and other agencies celebrate this with various activities in recognition of women's critical role in development and nation-building and awareness - raising on the prevailing concerns of women that need to be addressed.
2. This month-long celebration, with the theme "CEDAW ng Bayan: Yaman ng Kababaihan", will focus on women's economic empowerment and rights as it continues to emphasize the country's heightened implementation of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women or CEDAW.
3. The DepED Women's Day celebration will be held on March 7, 2008 (9:00 am to 4:00 pm) at the Bulwagan ng Karunungan, DepED Central Office. This will be highlighted by a Forum on VAW-C/GAD and inauguration/launching of the PRO Women HA! (Protect the Rights of Women and Children Against Harassment and Abuse!) Office, the women's desk in DepED Central Office. Participants to this should register with the Staff Development Division, HRDS.
4. All DepED offices are encouraged to conduct appropriate activities related to the celebration such as holding of symposia on women's issue, lectures on personal development, wellness and sports and other related topics. Schools are likewise enjoined to display streamers, hold poster and slogan - making contests.
5. For more information, please contact Ms. Zaida T. Azcueta and Ms. Nerissa L. Losaria, DepED Focal Point members at tel. nos. (02) 633-7237 and (02) 638-8638.

6. Transportation, extra duty allowance, tokens and other incidental expenses incurred in the preparation and conduct of activities in the DepED Central Office are chargeable against Special Program Funds, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations, while expenses incurred by the regional and division officers are chargeable against local funds.
7. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.



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Secretary

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