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BRIGADA ESKWELA PLUS ORIENTATION

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

1. The Department of Education (DepED), thru the Adopt-A-School Program (AASP) National Secretariat, will hold a series of orientation activities nationwide to formally launch *Brigada Eskwela Plus*, the National Community Involvement in Education Initiative (per DepED Order No. 100, s. 2009). The first four (4) orientation activities shall be held on October 17 in Calbayog City, Samar; October 21 in Cabanatuan, Nueva Ecija; October 24 in Malolos, Bulacan; and October 29, 2009 in Davao City.
2. *Brigada Eskwela Plus* shall contribute to the attainment of the UNESCO-prescribed Education for All (EFA) goals that seek to increase student participation and reduce dropouts, specifically addressing these issues in the secondary level, and to improve the quality of education in participating schools in order to increase student performance.
3. Particularly, it shall aim for EFA Objective No. 4 or total community commitment to the attainment of basic education competencies for all and EFA Enabling Task No. 8 which is to create a network of community-based groups for local attainment of EFA goals.
4. The participants for this initiative will be the DepED regional and division officials, public and private school administrators, teachers, parents, community and civic group representatives, alumni association officers, mayors, barangay captains and other local government officials.
5. Venue, security assistance, audio-visual equipment and meals of the participants shall be charged to local funds, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations. Other expenses to be incurred relative to this activity such as board and lodging of the *Brigada Eskwela Plus* secretariat, honoraria of resource speakers, advocacy materials, and tarpaulins, transportation of staff and guests, and rental fee for exhibit venue shall be charged to AASP funds subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.
6. For more information, please contact Ms. Rhea Mae Maningo or Ms. Anna Lyn Bandagosa of AASP at tel. nos.: (02) 638-8639 and (02) 638-8637.
7. Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.


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Secretary

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