



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION

REGIONAL MEMORANDUM
ORD-2023- 770

TO : Schools Division Superintendents
Chief, ESSD
All Others Concerned

FROM : OFFICE OF THE REGIONAL DIRECTOR

SUBJECT : INTERNATIONAL YOUTH DAY 2023

DATE : August 8, 2023

1. Pursuant to the attached DepEd Memorandum OASOPS No. 2023-08-101 dated July 26, 2023 from Dr. Dexter A. Galban, Assistant Secretary for Operations and LearnCon PH Steering Committee Co-Chair re: Request for Participants for the Conduct of the **International Youth Day Celebration 2023** on **August 12, 2023, 8:00AM to 4:00PM** at the **Tanghalang Rizal, Pasig City**, the Schools Divisions are requested to allow the participation of the following to the aforementioned activity :
 - i. Seven (7) Learners - preferably elected Division Federation Supreme Learner Government (DFSSLG) Officers
 - ii. Three (3) Chaperones to accompany the Learners - preferably the Project Development Officer I -Division Youth Formation Coordinator (YFC) or SSLG Teacher-Adviser as an alternate
 - iii. Twenty (20) learner-performers and two (2) teacher-trainers from Nagpayong High School, Pasig City
 - iv. Fifty (50) learners and ten (10) teachers to be identified by the Schools Division Office of Pasig City
 - v. One (1) Regional Youth Formation Coordinator
2. Learners are reminded to secure approved Parental Consent and Waiver Form prior to attending the said activity.
3. Travel and other related expenses to be incurred shall be charged to local funds, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations. Teaching and non-teaching personnel-participants can avail the service credits and / or Compensatory Time-Off (CTO), subject to existing policies and guidelines.



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4. Attached are the Event Rationale, Indicative Program and Parental Consent and Waiver Form, for reference.
5. For immediate dissemination and compliance.

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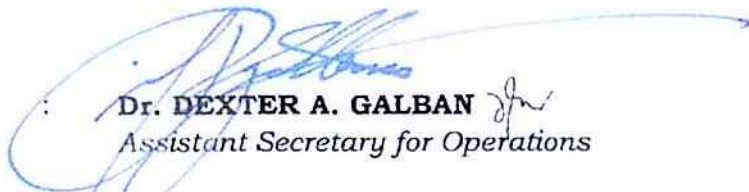


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OASOPS No. 2023-08-010

MEMORANDUM

FOR : **WILFREDO E. CABRAL**
Regional Director, DepEd NCR

FROM :  **Dr. DEXTER A. GALBAN**
Assistant Secretary for Operations

SUBJECT : **REQUEST FOR PARTICIPANTS FOR THE CONDUCT OF
THE INTERNATIONAL YOUTH DAY CELEBRATION 2023**

DATE : **26 July 2023**

The Office of the Undersecretary for Operations (OUOPS), through the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Operations (OASOPS) and Bureau of Learner Support Services-Learner Formation Division (BLSS-LFD), *transitioning from Youth Formation Division*, will spearhead the **International Youth Day Celebration 2023** on **Saturday, August 12, 2023**, from **8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.** at **Tanghalang Rizal, Pasig City**.

In partnership with the External Partnerships Service (EPS), Local Government Unit (LGU) Pasig City, DepEd – National Capital Region (NCR), and Schools Division Office of Pasig City, this activity aims to:

- a. provide a platform to honor the qualities of the youth with diverse backgrounds and unique identities and the potential that they hold towards the development of a nation and the world as a whole;
- b. acknowledge the challenges faced by the learners and the youth and identify possible means and resolutions with the help of the government, private entities, religious sectors, civil society organizations (CSOs), and other stakeholders;
- c. serve as the Filipino learners' interactive engagement opportunity in celebrating the International Youth Day full of fun, learning, and inspiration;
- d. appreciate young people's "*puso, galing, at talino*" in bridging the gaps and creating opportunities for lifelong and holistic learning and development;
- e. amplify the message that action is needed across all generations to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and leave no one behind; and
- f. raise awareness on specific barriers to intergenerational solidarity, notably ageism, which impacts young and old persons, while negatively affecting the society.

In this regard, the OASOPS would like to respectfully request approval from your good Office to allow the participation of the following to the aforementioned event:

1. Seven (7) elected Division Federation Supreme Secondary Learner Government (DFSSLG) Officers from the sixteen (16) divisions of NCR, accompanied by three (3) chaperones, preferably the Division Youth Formation Coordinator (YFC) / Project Development Officer I or SSLG Teacher-Adviser as an alternate.
2. Twenty (20) learner-performers and two (2) teacher-trainers from *Nagpayong High School*, Pasig City.
3. Fifty (50) learners and (10) teachers (*to be identified by the Schools Division Office of Pasig City*).

Travel and other related expenses to be incurred by all participants involved in the said activity shall be charged to local funds, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

Moreover, the OASOPS respectfully recommends that all teaching and non-teaching personnel who will participate in the said activity be allowed to avail of service credits and Compensatory Time Off (CTO), subject to DepEd's existing rules and regulations and approval of respective Schools Division Offices (SDOs).

Kindly see the attached Event Rationale (**Annex A**), Indicative Program (**Annex B**) and Parental Consent and Waiver Form (**Annex C**) for your reference.

For inquiries and concerns, please contact Mr. Rovin James F. Canja, Project Development Officer IV, Officer-in-Charge, of the BLSS-LFD at email blss.lfd@deped.gov.ph or at telephone number 8637-9814.

Your positive response on this request will be highly appreciated.

Annex A.

Event Rationale

It is undeniable that in the past years, the youth have proven themselves vital in the country's national development. To propel a nation towards genuine progress in this contemporary age, there is an urgent call to maximize youth participation in all aspects of society. United Nations (UN) Former Secretary-General Kofi Annan encapsulated the idea that young people should be at the forefront of global change and innovation believing that they can be empowered key agents for development and peace.

In 1965, the United Nations General Assembly began making efforts to improve the lives of youths around the world. The Declaration on the Promotion among Youth of the Ideals of Peace, Mutual Respect, and Understanding Between Peoples was approved, and there was an increase in the amount of time and resources given to empowering the youth. The same was done by recognizing emerging leaders and providing them with resources to satisfy the needs of the world.

In 1999, the World Conference of Ministers Responsible for Youth issued another request to mark International Youth Day. The resolution was adopted by the United Nations General Assembly on December 17, 1999, and the first International Youth Day (IYD) was observed on August 12, 2000.

The Philippines, with its rich historical timeline, has had remarkable flickers of student power showcased to the rest of the world. The power of the youth has always been at the pinnacle of the country's strife for freedom even during the time of colonization. With the pandemic limiting mobility and interaction, the Department of Education (DepEd) understands the need to heighten the thrust for youth development and participation. Young people should be provided with a platform that will pave the way for participatory and inclusive engagements promoting the DepEd Core Values and highlighting their skills, talents, perspectives, and sentiments in various discussions.

Thus, the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Operations (OASOPS), through the Bureau of Learner Support Services-Youth Formation Division (BLSS-YFD), will conduct the International Youth Day (IYD) Celebration on August 12, 2023, in Pasig City, Philippines.

Observed every August 12 each year, the IYD offers a platform to honor the qualities of youth and the potential that they hold towards the development of a nation and the world as a whole. The day also acknowledges the challenges faced by them and eliminates the issues. A lot of contribution is made by young people towards community development, in protection of environment and volunteering on various social projects. The day calls everyone to join the efforts of United Nation and help it achieve its SDGs.

The Department seeks to gather selected learners, youth leaders, and education stakeholders with diverse backgrounds from different elementary and secondary institutions within Metro Manila and nearby local communities/regions. The said gathering will be done in a face-to-face arrangement that will allow the learner participants the opportunity to learn not only from the key national and international speakers and activities but also learn by engaging with one another, especially understanding different cultures across regions, and widening global perspectives through international exposures and experiences.

With youth and the aged working together, we can create a better and livable world for all!

Annex B.

Indicative Program

Time	Hrs./Mins.	Activity	Focal Person/Unit
7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.	60	Preparation	TWG
8:01 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	60	(1) Arrival of Participants (2) Registration > Verification of Attendance > Distribution of Kits (3) Ingress of Booths and Exhibits, Opportunities Fair, and Marketplace of Innovative Solutions and Youth Initiatives	TWG
9:01 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	30	Opening Program (1) Safety Briefing and Event Protocols (2) Grand Opening Number (3) Prayer of the Youth (4) National Anthem	TWG
9:31 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.	15	Welcome Addresses	Wilfredo E. Cabral Regional Director DepEd Regional Office NCR Hon. Victor Ma. Regis N. Sotto Mayor Pasig City Dr. Dexter A. Galban Assistant Secretary for Operations Department of Education
9:45 a.m.-9:50 a.m.	5	Message of Support and Gratitude to Partners	Dr. Margarita Consolacion C. Ballesteros Director IV External Partnerships Service
9:50 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	10	Keynote Speech	Atty. Revsee A. Escobedo Undersecretary for Operations Department of Education Hon. Sara Z. Duterte Vice President of the Republic of the Philippines and Secretary of the Department of Education
10:00 a.m. – 10:10 a.m.	10	Program Overview and Expectation Settings	Nenneth Esplana-Alama Director IV Bureau of Learner Support Services
10:10 a.m. – 10:50 a.m.	40	Plenary Talk 1 Speaker 1 (20 mins) Speaker 2 (20 mins)	1. UN RESIDENT COORDINATOR OFFICE 2. SPARK YES INC.
10:50 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	10	Health Break/Entertainment	TWG
11:00 a.m. – 11:40 a.m.	40	Plenary Talk 2 Speaker 1 (20 mins) Speaker 2 (20 mins)	1. SEAMEO-INNOTECH 2. WORLD WIDE FUND PHILIPPINES
11:40 a.m. – 12:15 nn	35	Panel Discussion/Conversation with the Youth	Panel Discussion Speakers 1. ChildFund PH Eco-Youth Leader 2. Century Pacific Group-RSPO Foundation, Inc. 3. Felta Multimedia Inc. 4. SEAMEO-INNOTECH 5. UN RC Office 6. World Wide Fund PH 7. Spark Yes
12:15 nn – 1:15 p.m.	60	Lunch	TWG
1:15 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.	120	Games/Youth Socials/Concert for the Youth	TWG, guest performers, & partners

3:15 p.m. – 3:25 p.m.	10	Youth Pledge/Commitment	Selected youth participants
3:25 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.	20	Awarding of Certificates	TWG
3:45 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	15	Closing Remarks	Sheryll T. Gayola Schools Division Superintendent SDO Pasig City Rovln James F. Canja Project Development Officer IV Officer-In-Charge BLSS-Youth Formation Division
4:00 p.m. – 4:10 p.m.	10	Community Dance	TWG
4:10 p.m. – 4:20 pm	10	Photo Opportunity	TWG
4:21 p.m.		Departure of Participants	

Annex C.

PARENTAL CONSENT AND WAIVER FORM

I, _____, as the parent or legal guardian of _____, hereby acknowledges that I have been informed of the details of the conduct of the **International Youth Day Celebration 2023 on August 12, 2023 at Tanghalang Rizal, Pasig City.**

I understand that the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Operations (OASOPS), through the Bureau of Learner Support Services-Learner Formation Division (BLSS-YFD) of the Department of Education shall implement the minimum public health standards set by the government to minimize the risk of the spread of COVID-19, but it cannot guarantee that my child may not be infected with COVID-19 given that it is highly contagious.

I understand that my child's in-person attendance in the event will include associating with teachers, fellow learners and school personnel, and other persons inside and outside of the school that may put my child at risk of COVID-19 transmission, notwithstanding the precautions undertaken by the implementing team.

Voluntary Participation

I acknowledge that my child's participation in this activity is completely voluntary. My child may decline to participate or withdraw from participation at any time for any reason. Declining or withdrawal of participation will not result in any penalty or loss of benefits or reduction of any basic right to which my child is entitled. While there remains the risk of possible COVID19 transmission to my child/ren, and to the members of my household, I freely assume the said risk and I permit my child/ren to attend this activity.

Exclusion (Limitations/Ineligibility)

I am aware that symptoms of COVID-19 include, but are not limited to, fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, the new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea, vomiting, and diarrhea.

I confirm that my child currently has none of those symptoms and is in good health. I will not allow my child to physically go to the event if my child or any member of my household develops any of the said symptoms or any other symptoms of illness that may or may not be related to COVID-19. I will also inform the school/division and not allow my child to attend the event if my child or any of my household members tests positive for COVID-19. My child/ren and I, with my household members, will follow the required health and safety protocols and procedures adopted by the school and our community.

Documentation

I confirm that I give full permission in any recording or picture taken of my child during the conduct of this event and to use some or all of my child's images/ contribution/ performance in any publication (including electronic publications such as film or website) created by or for

the BLSS-YFD and its program partners and to release this material to the official platforms of the Department.

Confidentiality

I am aware that any information that will be given during the activity will be kept strictly confidential, and personal information will be treated in accordance with the Data Privacy Act of 2012. I am assured that the information about my child will not be shared outside of the implementation team. My child’s name will not be used when data from this activity will be analyzed.

I hereby confirm that I agree and understand the commitment of my child as a participant. I also understand and will support my child’s endeavor to meet the expectations, guidelines, and responsibilities to his/her fellow participants and to DepEd.

To the extent allowed by law and rules, I hereby agree to waive, release, and discharge any and all claims, causes of action, damages, and rights against the school/division and its personnel as well as officials and personnel of the Department of Education relative to the conduct of the activity.

With full understanding, I – on behalf of myself, my household members, and my child/ren – hereby freely and voluntarily give my consent to my child’s participation in the activity on August 12, 2023. I also attest that I had sought the views of my child and he/she has expressed willingness to participate in the activity.

CONTACT DETAILS FOR QUESTIONS OR PROBLEMS

For any concerns or clarification, you may contact the Bureau of Learner Support Services–Learner Formation Division (BLSS–LFD) through the email address at blss.lfd@deped.gov.ph.

_____ Signature of Parent/Guardian over Printed Name	_____ Contact Details (Mobile Number)
_____ Name of Child	_____ Date

** Please submit this form to your Division Youth Formation Coordinator (YFC) prior to participation in the event.*