

Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION

REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

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TO : **CARLEEN S. SEDILLA, CESO V**
Schools Division Superintendent
Division of Quezon City

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Officer-in-Charge
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FROM : **OFFICE OF THE REGIONAL DIRECTOR**

SUBJECT : **REQUEST FOR THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF SUPREME
SECONDARY LEARNER GOVERNMENT (NFSSLG) OFFICERS
AND BOARD MEMBERS TO ATTEND THE NATIONAL
STUDENTS' DAY CELEBRATION 2023**

DATE : November 3, 2023

1. Pursuant to the attached Unnumbered DepEd Memorandum dated October 19, 2023 from the Office of Dr. Dexter A. Galban, Assistant Secretary for Operations, re: National Students' Day with the theme "**Pilipinong Mag-aaral : Huwaran ng Kagitingan, may MATATAG na Paninindigan**," the conduct of the National Students' Day is on **November 16-18, 2023** in **Davao del Sur**.
2. Relative to this, invited to participate in the said activity are **Ma. Cassandra P. Autria**, National Federation of Supreme Secondary Learner Government (NFSSLG) President and **Dr. Gina L. Cruz**, Senior Education Program Specialist and Regional Youth Formation Coordinator. Learner-participant is advised to accomplish the attached Parental Consent and Waiver Form.
3. Also attached are the Event Rationale and Program of Activities, for reference.



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4. Travel and other related expenses shall be charged to the Program Support Funds (PSF) or Local Funds, subject to the usual accounting and auditing policies.
5. Non-Teaching Personnel-participants of the said activity may avail of Compensatory Time Off (CTO) subject to the existing DepEd rules and policies.
6. For immediate dissemination.


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MEMORANDUM

FOR : Minister, Basic, Higher, and Technical Education, BARMM
Regional Directors
Regional and Division Youth Formation Coordinators
Schools Division Superintendents
All Others Concerned

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

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DATE : **19 October 2023**

The Office of the Undersecretary for Operations (OUOPS), through the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Operations (OASOPS) and the Bureau of Learner Support Services- Learner Formation Division (BLSS-LFD), *transitioning from Youth Formation Division*, will spearhead the conduct of the **National Students' Day Celebration 2023** on **Friday, November 17, 2023**, from **8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.** in **Davao del Sur**.

With the theme, "*Pilipinong Mag-aaral: Huwaran ng Kagitingan, may MATATAG na Paninidigan,*" this event is in partnership with the Local Government of Davao del Sur, DepEd – Davao Region, Schools Division Office of Davao del Sur. It aims to:

- a. provide a learner-centered platform to engage and mobilize learners with various backgrounds who will participate in different carefully designed interactive and participatory activities that promote upskilling, high sense of social responsibility, acceptance, and respect of differences;
- b. serve as an opportunity to Filipino learners to connect with others, share their common goals and sentiments, take part in gleeful engagements, and showcase the causes they volunteer for and capabilities from different fields of expertise;

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- c. celebrate the role of young people in the thrust for nation-building;
- d. amplify the message that the valuable contribution and collective manifestation of learners around the country matter and are needed across all disciplines of education to achieve positive change; and
- e. appreciate young people's "*puso, galing, at talino*" in bridging the gaps and creating opportunities for lifelong and holistic learning and development.

In this regard, the OASOPS would like to respectfully request the approval of your good Office to allow the participation of the following learners listed in **Annex A** on **November 16-18, 2023**, as well as their respective Regional Youth Formation Coordinator (RYFC) or any designated Division Youth Formation Coordinator (DYFC) to serve as chaperone during the said activity.

All travel and other related expenses incurred by all participants in this activity shall be charged to Program Support Funds (PSF) or 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 attend the said activity be allowed to avail of service credits and Compensatory Time Off (CTO) subject to existing rules and regulations of DepEd and shall be approved by their respective Schools Division Offices.

Attached are **Annexes B-D** for the **Event Rationale**, **Program of Activities**, and **Parental Consent and Waiver Form** 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 on telephone number 8637-9814.

Immediate dissemination and action is advised.

Annex A.**List of Participants**

No.	Name of Learner	Region	Division
1	Alexa Delle D. Aranda	Region I	Pangasinan I
2	Jansen Ceazar L. Gannaban	Region II	Santiago City
3	Kylene Mae R. Fernando	Region III	Gapan City
4	Jan Xerohj V. Olivo	Region IV-A	Antipolo City
5	El Edprilmon D. Gamido	Region IV-B	Occidental Mindoro
6	Joyce L. Estareja	Region V	Sorsogon Province
7	Earl Jan L. Delfin	Region VI	Iloilo City
8	James Jharret C. Abringe	Region VII	Dumaguete City
9	Mark Kristoff M. Javate	Region VIII	Calbayog City
10	John Carl I. Hermocilla	Region IX	Zamboanga Sibugay
11	Nina Keira Noelle A. Lezada	Region X	Cagayan de Oro City
12	Christian Jay H. Sonza	Region XI	Davao del Sur
13	Jewel Kate U. Valmonte	Region XII	Cotabato
14	Almairah Dela Cruz Racman	BARMM	Marawi City
15	May Princess Dorico	CARAGA	Butuan City
16	Ma. Cassandra P. Austria	NCR	Quezon City
17	Gian Franscine Z. Lampaz	CAR	Baguio City

Annex B.

Event Rationale

Pursuant to the *Republic Act 11369*, otherwise known as the “*National Students’ Day Act*,” the National Youth Commission (NYC), the Department of Education (DepEd), and the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) are mandated to conduct an annual program of activities that will promote the love of country and social responsibility among the youth and to support the observance of International Students’ Day. The celebration shall commemorate the execution of the nine (9) Czechoslovakian students who fought against the Nazi occupation to end the unjust treatment during the time of Adolf Hitler last November 17, 1939.

Looking back at 1896, Filipinos shared the same gallantry story with the Czechoslovakia students, like Dr. Jose Rizal, who advocated peacefully for liberty rather than violent means through his book “*Noli Me Tangere*” and “*El Filibusterismo*”. Even Andres Bonifacio used his talent in visual arts and craftsmanship in a young age to help his family until he established the “*Kataas-taasan, Kagalang-galang na Katipunan ng mga Anak ng Bayan*” or “KKK” against the Spanish regime.

For our part, we should develop within ourselves the same fervor Dr. Rizal and Bonifacio had for our contry. Instilling patriotism and nationalism at an early age will inculcate the values of discipline and organization, and will impart common sense to young generation of Filipinos. Everyone has the potential to grow, excel and be the pride of the nation in many different ways.

In support, Article II Section XIII of the 1987 Philippine Constitution hereby states that, “*the State recognizes the vital role of the youth in nation-building and shall promote and protect their physical, moral, spiritual, intellectual, and social well-being. It shall inculcate in the youth patriotism and nationalism and encourage their involvement in public and civic affairs.*” We believe that students should be given a wide range of opportunities to develop and practice leadership skills and salient talents in preparation for life beyond school. Although there’s a long list of leadership activities students can choose to participate in, National Students’ Day easily takes first place for it supports one of the DepEd’s goal to provide learners a platform where everyone enjoys learning and being creative – trying new things, finding solutions, and embracing their responsibilities. We put the spotlight to our Filipino learners who remain strong and steadfast amidst different challenges.

Thus, the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Operations (OASOPS), through the Bureau of Learner Support Services- Youth Formation Division (BLSS-YFD), in partnership with the Schools Division Office of Davao del Sur and the National Federation of Supreme Secondary Learner Government, SY 2023-2024, will conduct the celebration of the **National Students’ Day 2023** on **17 November 2023**.

The celebration will capitalize on the learners’ diversity and uniqueness that allow them to actively pursue a wide variety of different interests and give them a unique advantage in life. Regardless of who they are and where they come from, they are recognized, valued, and celebrated.

Annex C.**Program of Activities**

Time	Activity
8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	Open House and Final Preparation
9:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.	Preliminaries (1) Admission/Entrance of Participants (2) Grand Opening Number/Entertainment (3) Singing of Philippine National Anthem (4) Ecumenical Prayer
9:16 a.m. – 9:20 a.m.	Roll Call of Participants
9:21 a.m. – 9:35 a.m.	Welcome Messages Allan G. Farnazo <i>Regional Director, DepEd XI</i> Dr. Dexter A. Galban <i>Assistant Secretary for Operations</i>
9:36 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.	Opening Remarks Hon. Yvonne Roña Cagas <i>Governor, Davao del Sur</i> Atty. Revsee A. Escobedo <i>Undersecretary for Operations</i>
9:46 a.m. – 9:55 a.m.	Keynote Speech Hon. Sara Z. Duterte <i>Vice-President and Secretary</i>
9:56 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Program Objectives and Expectation Setting Nenneth Esplana-Alama <i>Director IV</i> <i>Bureau of Learner Support Services</i>
10:01 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.	Learners' Declaration for the MATATAG Agenda National Federation of Supreme Secondary Learner Government (NFSSLG) 2023-2024
10:16 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	Presentation of the NFSSLG's General Plan of Action National Federation of Supreme Secondary Learner Government (NFSSLG) 2023-2024
10:31 a.m. – 10:40 a.m.	Intermission Number
10:41 a.m. – 11:20 a.m.	Role of Learners in Nation-building x Key Features of the Philippine Youth Development Plan for 2023-2028

	<p>Reena Vivienne Pineda <i>Commissioner Representing Luzon</i> National Youth Commission</p>
11:21 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	<p>Closing Messages</p> <p>Lorenzo E. Mendoza <i>Schools Division Superintendent</i> Schools Division Office of Davao del Sur</p> <p>Rovin James F. Canja <i>Officer-in-Charge</i> Youth Formation Division</p>
11:31 a.m. – 11:40 a.m.	Community Dance/Song
11:41 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Photo Opportunity
12:01 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Lunch Break
1:01 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Larong Pinoy / Interactive Activities / Youth Socials
4:01 p.m. onwards	Exit of Participants

Annex D.

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 **National Students' Day Celebration 2023** on **November 17, 2023** at **Davao del Sur**.

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 November 17, 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 the participation on the event.*