

Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
CARAGA REGION

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REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

No. 229, s. 2019

SUBJECT: 121ST ANNIVERSARY OF THE PROCLAMATION OF PHILIPPINE INDEPENDENCE

**TO: All Schools Division Superintendents
This Region**

Attention: Special Events Coordinators / Partnership Focal Persons

1. Pursuant to DepEd Memorandum No. 053, s. 2019, the Department of Education, as a government agency is required among others, to give full support, assistance and cooperation to the National Steering Committee (NSC), chaired by the National Historical Commission of the Philippines (NHCP), in the exercise of its responsibilities and functions to achieve the objectives of the celebration.
2. This year's celebration aims to:
 1. commemorate the heroism, patriotism, nationalism and self-sacrifice of the Filipinos' forefathers in the struggle for independence;
 2. instill in the hearts and minds of the youth the greatness of the Filipino race, the legacy of their national heroes and the ideals of their nationhood; and
 3. show unity and strength during challenging times.
3. To commemorate the 121st Anniversary of Philippine Independence and observe the National Flag Day, the Central Office (CO), Regional Offices (ROs), School Division Offices (SDOs), and Schools are required to conduct the following activities:
 - a. simultaneous flag raising in schools or historical sites on **June 12, 2019**;
 - b. display of the Philippine Flag in the respective classrooms (charge to MOOE), offices, and residences of all teaching and nonteaching personnel from **May 15 to June 30, 2019**;
 - c. special discussions on the Philippine Flag for continuous flag awareness and discuss significant events in history, which led to the Proclamation of Philippine Independence, especially in *Sibika at Kultura*, *HEKASI*, *Araling Panlipunan*, Values Education, Music, Arts, Physical Education and Health (MAPEH), Filipino, and English at least once a week, for the whole school year;
 - d. submission of school work related to the celebration of the Independence Day: Kindergarten to Grade 3 students will submit a drawing of the Philippine flag, while the higher grades will submit a one-page reflection paper on what they did during

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- Independence Day or share experiences on what the Philippine Independence means to them to be collected by their respective faculty members and to be submitted to their division offices for filling;
- e. conduct of inter-school campus essay writing. Drawing, storytelling, debate, and oratorical contest;
 - f. conduct of symposium and/or round table discussion to raise awareness on the event and propagate values like nationalism, patriotism, and love of the country that were exhibited by the Filipinos during the trying periods of the country;
 - g. conduct of a simple campus program to be participated in by the students and to be spearheaded by the Social Studies Department;
 - h. putting up of a bulletin board or a venue within the campus where informative materials concerning the commemorative event may be displayed;
 - i. a month-long sharing insights on the same topic is encouraged during the flag ceremony at the ROs, SDOs, and schools to be spearheaded by the *Araling Panlipunan* supervisors;
 - j. joining military or civic parade; and
 - k. other creative and fitting activities.
4. All DepEd Officials, teachers, and students at the national, regional, division and school levels are required to actively participate in the scheduled activities.
 5. DepEd requests the support, assistance and cooperation of all DepEd Schools and Offices in Caraga Region on the Simultaneous Flag Raising and Wreath- Laying Ceremonies on **June 12, 2019, 7:00 a.m.** at the different historical sites and venues. Please coordinate with your respective Local Government Units for coordination purposes of the designated venues of the Flag Raising and Wreath-Laying Ceremonies.
 6. Teachers shall receive appropriate service credits as stipulated in DepEd Order (DO) No. 53, s. 2003 entitled **Updated Guidelines on Grant of Vacation Service Credits to Teachers**, and DO 84, s. 2003 entitled **Addendum to DepEd Order No. 53, s. 2003 (Updated Guidelines on Grant of Vacation Service Credits to Teachers)**, while nonteaching personnel should attend programs and activities on official time only.
 7. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.


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