

November 17, 2014

DIVISION MEMORANDUM
No. 638 s. 2014

CHRISTMAS GATHERING FOR CHILDREN WITH VISUAL IMPAIRMENT

**To: Assistant Superintendents
Education Supervisors/Coordinators
District Supervisors/OICs
Elementary School Heads**

1. Attached is Regional Memorandum No. 705, s. 2014, dated November 11, 2014, entitled, **"Christmas Gathering for Children with Visual Impairment."**
2. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.


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REGIONAL MEMORANDUM
No. 705, s. 2014

CHRISTMAS GATHERING FOR CHILDREN WITH VISUAL IMPAIRMENT

To: Schools Division Superintendent
Officer-in-Charge of the Regular Divisions

1. Attached is a communication from Resources for the Blind, Inc.(RBI) inviting Children with Visual Impairment ages 5-15 along with their SPED teachers to participate in a Christmas Gathering on December 11, 2014 at the SM Event Centre, SM City, Cebu.
2. For details, refer to the attached communication, List of Participants and enclosure.
3. The Schools Division Superintendents are given the discretion to act on this request and ensure that DepEd Policies and Guidelines are followed.
4. For information and guidance of all concerned.


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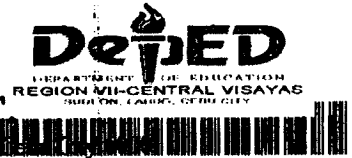
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November 7, 2014

DR. CARMELITA T. DULANGON
 Regional Director
 DepEd Region VII, Sudlon St., Lahug, Cebu City

Dear Dr. Dulangon,

Greetings for Resources for the Blind, Inc. (RBI)!

We are a non-profit, Christian NGO serving people with visual impairment across the Philippines for more than 20 years now. One of the many programs and projects we have developed is the Christmas gathering for children who are blind. We hold this event annually. And each year, their attendance grows in number. Last year, there were 100 kids with visual impairment from around Cebu province who attended the event. Adding together their parents, Special Education (SPED) teachers and guests, we filled the SM event center despite the heavy rains.

Year after year, we are overjoyed as we see their cheerful faces savoring every part of the event- the sumptuous lunch, the fun contests and games, the toys and treats they receive as prizes and raffle gifts, and the special presentation by their fellow blind. Most of all, the goody bag each one receives for their Noche Buena. These are all made possible through the help of friends who wish to spice up the event with joy. We are now preparing for this year's Christmas gathering. This will be on **December 11, 2014 at the SM Event Centre, SM City Cebu.**

In this regard, we would like to ask favor from your good office to let our children with visual impairment ages 5-15 along with their SPED teachers in school's with SPED VI program to participate in the aforementioned event above. Please see attached list of schools with VI students and criteria of the contest in which the participants need to prepare.

Below are important informations regarding the training:

1. Participants should be in SM City Event Center at 8:00 in the morning.
2. Participants travel expenses to and from the venue shall be charged to their local fund and/or SPED Downloaded Funds subject to its availability and the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

Should you have additional queries on this year's activity, please feel free to contact Ms. Ching Romares at these numbers +6332 415 0329; mobile number, Sun: 0923 955 2936.

It will be of immense pleasure if you can also join us on this day. Thank you in advance for all your support, and may God bless you more.

Sincerely,


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 RB/ Directress, Cebu Branch

CC: School's Division Superintendent: Cebu City, Mandaue City, Lapulapu City, Cebu Province; Talisay City, Naga City, Danao City, Toledo City, Bogo City, Tagbilaran City, Bals City, Dumaguete City, Guhulngan

List of School's with VI students ages 5-15:

Trained Teacher	School	Division
Lorna Aligato & Albeth F. Marikit	Zapatera Elementary School- SPED Center	Cebu City
Adora Mantalaba & Ryan Operario	Cebu Braille Center	Cebu City
Ariene Asuncion Ranile & Catherine Unger, George Bragat	Mandaue City Central School Integrated SPED Center	Mandaue City
Imelda Hindang	Mandaue City Comprehensive High School	Mandaue City
Ethel Diaz	Lapulapu City Central School	Lapulapu City
Ira Godinez	Babag National High School	Lapulapu City
Leonora Abing & Gelly Pogoy	Consolacion Central School	Cebu Province
Gwen Pasay c/o Ara Laude-Sup.	Danao Central School	Danao City
Rosalinda Castro	Carmen Central School	Cebu Province
Rochelle Sarsalejo	Bogo Central School	Bogo City
John Louie Arcipe	Daanbantayan Central School	Cebu Province
Ellen Maningo & Herber Tampus	San Francisco Central School	Cebu Province
Juvelin Abuyabor	Bantayan I Central School	Cebu Province
Aiza Pansacala	Talisay City Central School-SPED	Talisay City
Sharon Rose Montebon	Talisay City National High School	Talisay City
	Tabunok Central School	Talisay City
Allan Mutya	Lipata Central School	Cebu Province
Fannie Lendio	Naga City Central School-SPED	Naga City
Antonieta Quijano	Carcar I Central School	Cebu Province
Ruth Ricaplaza	Barili I Central School	Cebu Province
Marna Pefiosa	Dumanjug I Central School	Cebu Province
Rajle Apatan	Badaian Central School	Cebu Province
Mary Jane Lillo	Argao I Central School	Cebu Province
Gina Ando	Alcoy Central School	Cebu Province
Divina Sandoval	Dalaguete I Central School	Cebu Province
Bejay Enamac	Oslob I Central School	Cebu Province
Virna Aliso	Toledo South Central School	Toledo City
Grace Galope	Balamban I Central School	Cebu Province
Maricel Bano	Tuburan I Central School	Cebu Province
Joan Figuracion	Cordova Central School	Cebu Province
Judy Sarigumba, Jan Elvin Flor	Tagbilaran City Central School-SPED	Tagbilaran City
Apolinaria Sun	West City Exceptional Learning Center	Dumaguete City
Caroline Perez	Guihulngan South Central School	Guihulngan City
Letecla Absin	Bais City Pilot School-SPED	Bais City

Dear Participants,

For this year's Christmas party, we will be having academic and contest. This is open to all participating SPED school with children who are visually impaired ages 5 – 15 years old. Below are the mechanics and criteria of the contest:

I. Caroling (A minimum of 7 and maximum of 10 students). Allotted time of performance is five (5) minutes and maximum of eight (8) minutes including set-up. Contestant must bring their own instrument/s. We will only accept 5 entries for this contest on a first come first serve basis.

Criteria for Judging:

- 35% - Overall Performance (mastery, timing, voice quality, choreography)
- 30% - Concept and Creativity (style and interpretation, message, originality)
- 20% - Costume and props
- 15% - Audience Impact
- 100%**

II. Poster-Making Contest. This is open to all children with low vision. The poster must illustrate, interpret and emphasize this year's theme: "Pasko, Gugma ug Paglaurn" Each participant will be provided with materials during the event. We will only accept 5 entries on a first come first serve basis.

Criteria for Judging:

- 40% - Creativity and Presentation
- 30% - Originality
- 30% - Relevance to the theme
- 100%**

III. Spelling Bee Contest. The school must register only 1 participant in this contest. This is open to students with visual impairment in Grade 4 to 6 levels who are Braille user. Participants should bring their own slate and stylus. There will be elimination round which happen simultaneously with other activities. We will only select 3 top winners to join in the final round. During the final round, the word list is divided into 3 levels of difficulty, the easy round, average, and difficult with an equal number of words in each level. Source of words is all about Christmas.

Interested school/participant will submit their entry on or before December 01, 2014 at RBI office. You can also call us at telephone number (032) 415-0329 or email us at cebu@blind.org.ph.

Please be guided accordingly.