

Boy Scouts of the Philippines  
**NATIONAL OFFICE**  
Manila

23 August 2012

**NATIONAL OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

Number 37 s. 2012

**To** : All Regional Scout Directors, Council Scout Executives and Officers-In-Charge

**Subject** : **NATIONAL TEACHERS' MONTH (NTM)**

1. Presidential Proclamation No. 242 dated 24 August 2011, declared the period from 5 September to 5 October every year as National Teachers' Month (NTM). All activities for this year will culminate on 5 October 2012, through the celebration of the World Teachers' Day (WTD), to give emphasis to our teachers and their significant contributions in the lives of our youth and to the nation as a whole.

2. The Department of Education and other government agencies are now actively engaged in the various preparations. In full support to this worthy undertaking, the Boy Scouts of the Philippines enjoins all Local Councils to encourage and mobilize their Scout Leaders to be instrumental in increasing public awareness on the value of teachers in our society and participate in these meaningful celebrations by doing the following:

- a. Post streamers and banners with information on the NTM and WTD on bulletin boards and conspicuous venues;
- b. Coordinate with LGU's, NGO's and partner organizations for the National Teachers' Month activities;
- c. Conduct special activities to honor teachers including but not limited to contest and tribute programs;
- d. Recognize teachers' efforts by giving awards to both active and retired teachers;
- e. Partner with schools through Supreme Student Government, Local Government Units, government agencies officials, community leaders, business, socio-civic organizations, non-government organization leaders and church leaders in the planning and implementation of activities for the NTM and WTD celebrations;
- f. Coordinate with business establishments and other private organizations to offer significant discounts, special rates and special treats for teachers to be availed from 5 September to October 2012; and
- g. Grant teachers' wishes for themselves or for others during the month-long celebration.

3. Attached is a copy of the Proclamation No. 242 and of DepEd Memorandum No. 109, s. 2012, containing the Synchronized Programs, Projects and Activities which serves as your guide in the implementation of the NTM and WTD in our schools.

4. For more information, queries, clarifications and reports on conduct of activities, please contact the DepEd-Center for Students and Co-Curricular Affairs (CSCA) thru office address: 119 Mabini Building, DepEd Complex, Meralco Avenue, Pasig City; telephone numbers: (02) 631-8495 or (02) 636-3603 or e-mail address: [cscaportal@gmail.com](mailto:cscaportal@gmail.com). You may also contact the National Teachers' Month Coordinating Council (NTMCC) c/o Metrobank Foundation, Inc. at telephone number: (02) 857-0618 or e-mail address: [amor.macalalad@metrobank.com.ph](mailto:amor.macalalad@metrobank.com.ph).

5. For information, guidance and wide dissemination.



**J. RIZAL C. PANGILINAN**  
Secretary General

Encl.: As stated

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Republic of the Philippines  
**Department of Education**

DepEd MEMORANDUM  
No. **109**, s. 2012

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**2012 NATIONAL TEACHERS' MONTH AND WORLD TEACHERS' DAY CELEBRATION**

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

1. The initiatives and successes of the Teachers' Month Campaign since 2008 were solidified when His Excellency President Benigno S. Aquino III signed Presidential Proclamation No. 242 (Enclosure No. 1) on August 24, 2011 declaring the period from September 5 to October 5 of every year as the "National Teachers' Month". Accordingly, the Department of Education (DepEd) will celebrate the National Teachers' Month (NTM) during the whole month of September starting on September 5, 2012 and culminating on October 5, 2012, which is the World Teachers' Day (WTD). The theme of these celebrations is "My Teacher, My Hero."

2. The Celebrations aim to:

- a. highlight the unique role, service and commitment which teachers play in guiding families, strengthening communities, and building the nation;
- b. revitalize the image of and respect for teaching as a vocation by increasing public awareness on the value of teachers in Philippine society and in national development;
- c. use the occasion to call on everyone to contribute in making the teaching profession attractive and in giving the teachers the needed support and assistance;
- d. generate widespread support for teachers in particular and education in general; and
- e. express sincere gratitude for the positive influences of teachers on the Filipino learners.

3. All public and private elementary and secondary schools, including division and regional offices, are enjoined to follow the Synchronized Programs, Projects and Activities as listed in Enclosure No. 2. All expenses relating to the NTM and WTD shall be charged to local funds subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

4. Pursuant to the decision of the Teachers' Month Campaign (TMC) Steering Committee, the grand WTD celebration will be held in Cagayan de Oro City, Region X which will be participated in by teacher-representatives from all regions of Mindanao. Expenses for the grand WTD celebration shall be charged to OSEC funds subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations. This auspicious event shall be coordinated by the Center for Students and Co-Curricular Affairs (CSCA).

5. All schools and DepEd offices are required to post streamers to ensure that communities are aware of the NTM and WTD. Please see Enclosure Nos. 3 and 4 for the official design of the streamers and logo, respectively. Electronic copies may be accessed from Facebook Pages: [www.facebook.com/csca.deped](http://www.facebook.com/csca.deped) or [www.facebook.com/depeditmc](http://www.facebook.com/depeditmc) or by providing the CSCA with e-mail addresses of the requesting DepEd offices or schools.
6. All school heads (SHs), schools division/city superintendents (SDSs) and regional directors (RDs) are enjoined to actively lead all activities for the NTM and WTD.
7. In accordance with the Synchronized Programs, Projects and Activities, all division and regional offices are required to submit their respective plans and the lists of their respective coordinators for the NTM and WTD celebrations on or before **August 31, 2012** to the Office of the Secretary (OSEC), Attention: The Department of Education-Center for Students and Co-Curricular Affairs (DepEd-CSCA), Room 119 Mabini Building, DepEd Complex, Meralco Avenue, Pasig City for monitoring purposes.
8. Reports on the activities conducted by the schools, districts, divisions and regions shall include clear pictures and a comprehensive documentation of the various activities. These reports, including announcements, greetings and others shall be posted on [www.facebook.com/depeditmc](http://www.facebook.com/depeditmc) during the whole months of September and October 2012.
9. Compliance with the abovementioned requirements and the Synchronized Programs, Projects and Activities for the NTM and WTD shall be monitored by the OSEC particularly DepEd-CSCA.
10. Enclosed for immediate reference are the following:
- Enclosure No. 1 - Presidential Proclamation No. 242
  - Enclosure No. 2 - Synchronized Programs, Projects and Activities
  - Enclosure No. 3 - Official Streamer Design
  - Enclosure No. 4 - Official Logo Design
  - Enclosure No. 5 - A Prayer for Teachers
  - Enclosure No. 6 - *Panalangin para sa mga Guro*
11. For more information, all concerned may contact any of the following: **Mr. Joey G. Pelaez**, Executive Director, DepEd-CSCA, DepEd Central Office, DepEd Complex, Meralco Avenue, Pasig City, telephone nos.: (02) 631-8495; (02) 636-3603 or send a message at e-mail address: [cscaportal@gmail.com](mailto:cscaportal@gmail.com) or The National Teachers' Month Secretariat, c/o Metrobank Foundation (MBF), telephone no.: (02) 898-0618 or send a message at e-mail addresses: [amor.macalalad@metrobank.com.ph](mailto:amor.macalalad@metrobank.com.ph) or [tmcsecretariat@yahoo.com](mailto:tmcsecretariat@yahoo.com).
12. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

  
**BR. ARMIN A. LUISTRO FSC**  
Secretary

Encls.: As stated

Reference: DepEd Memorandum: No. 168, s. 2011

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index under the following subjects:

CAMPAIGN  
CELEBRATIONS & FESTIVALS  
PROGRAMS

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SCHOOL  
TEACHERS

**Enclosure No. 1 to DepEd Memorandum No. 109 s. 2012**

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

PROCLAMATION NO. 242

DECLARING THE PERIOD FROM 05 SEPTEMBER TO 05 OCTOBER OF EVERY YEAR AS "NATIONAL TEACHERS' MONTH"

WHEREAS, the United Nations Education, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) designated 05 October of every year as "World Teachers' Day," which is a day to celebrate the central role that teachers play in guiding the children, youth and adults through the life-long learning process;

WHEREAS, there is a need to generate widespread awareness and support for World Teachers' Day here in the Philippines;

WHEREAS, it is essential to revitalize the image of teaching as a vocation by increasing public awareness on the value of teachers in Philippine society and national development;

WHEREAS, the occasion can be used to celebrate the unique role and service that teachers play in guiding families, strengthening communities, and building the nation;

WHEREAS, to contribute to the growth and development of the teaching profession in the country as well as to publicly express appreciation to teachers, both active and retired, a Teachers' Month Campaign (TMC) was conceived in July 2008 by the Metrobank Foundation, Inc. (MBFI), De la Salle Philippines (DSLPP), Philippine Business for Education (PBEd), and Campaigns Social Response (CSR), with the special participation of the Department of Education (DepEd) and the support of key business institutions;

WHEREAS, owing to its success, the Campaign has generated more support from government, private companies, and major organizations in 2009 and 2010; and

WHEREAS, Presidential Proclamation No. 41 (s. 2010) declared the first Friday of September to 05 October 2010 as National Teachers' Month.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby declare the period from 05 September to 05 October of every year as "National Teachers' Month."

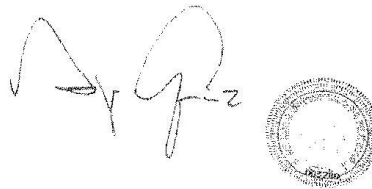


In this regard, and as recommended by the TMC Steering Committee, I also endorse the recitation of the National Prayer for Teachers (**Annex A**) during the same period.


Accordingly, all concerned departments, agencies and instrumentalities of the national government, the various local government units, the private sector and the public at large are hereby enjoined to actively participate and support activities and programs for the celebration thereof.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Republic of the Philippines to be affixed.

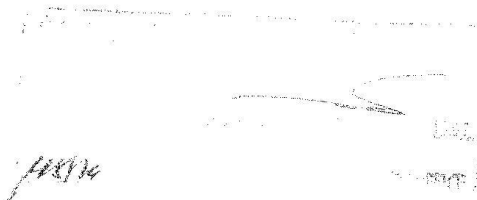
**DONE**, in the City of Manila, this 24<sup>th</sup> day of August, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.



By the President:



PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.  
Executive Secretary



Enclosure No. 2 to DepEd Memorandum No. 103, s. 2012

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**NATIONAL TEACHERS' MONTH AND WORLD TEACHERS' DAY CELEBRATION  
SYNCHRONIZED PROGRAMS, PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES**

Programs, Projects and Activities	Objectives/Description	In-Charge	Involved Individuals or Groups	Time Frame
<b>I. Preparations</b>				
A. Conduct of Meetings to Plan School-Based Activities	To design school-based activities and plan for its implementation relative to the conduct of the National Teachers' Month (NTM) and the World Teachers' Day (WTD) Celebration; to organize a School NTM and WTD Committee; to secure the support of the school community and school-based organizations for its implementation.	School Heads	Alumni Association, Parents-Teachers Associations, Supreme Student Governments and other School-Based Organizations	August 1-7, 2012
B. Conduct of Meetings to Plan Division-Led Activities	To design set of activities which the schools division shall implement for the NTM and WTD; to constitute a Division Committee for NTM and WTD celebration; to require the submission of written individual plans of the School Heads relative to NTM and WTD celebration.	Schools Division Superintendents	Division Personnel District Supervisors All School Heads	August 8-14, 2012
C. Conduct of Meetings to Plan Regional-Led Activities	To design set of activities which the region shall implement for the NTM and WTD; to constitute a Regional Committee for NTM and WTD celebration; to require the submission of written plans of each Schools Division relative to NTM and and WTD celebration.	Regional Directors	Regional Personnel Schools Division Superintendents	August 15-21, 2012
D. Finalization and Submission of Plans	To readjust plans pursuant to the results of the meetings, for divisions and regions to submit their respective plans for the NTM and WTD celebration to the Central Office c/o the DepEd Center for Students and Co-Curricular Affairs.	School Heads, Schools Division Superintendents and Regional Directors	School, Division and Regional NTM and WTD Committees	August 22-31, 2012

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<b>II. National Teachers' Month</b>				
A. Say "Thank You"	Everyone who has ever been a student is invited to say "THANK YOU" to at least one teacher who has made a difference in his or her life. Students can write a letter, send a card, offer a gift or post a greeting in their Facebook accounts.	School Heads	Alumni Association, Parents-Teachers Associations, Supreme Student Governments and other School-Based Organizations	September 5 to October 5, 2012
	The Schools, and the Division and Regional Offices shall write letters enlisting the support of local TV and Radio Stations, anchors, hosts and artists to say "THANK YOU" to their mentors and teachers in their respective programs.	School Heads, Schools Division Superintendents and Regional Directors	Local TV and Radio stations, anchors, hosts and artists	August to October 5, 2012
B. Information Dissemination	Schools shall feature stories or write-ups on their teachers through their school papers, websites and Facebook accounts. They can also submit these write-ups to local newspapers and national broadsheets.	School Heads	Filipino and English Campus Editorial Boards, Writers, Local and National Newspapers, School-Based Organizations, Supreme Pupil/Student Governments, Pupils and Students active in social media	August to October 5, 2012
C. Mobilization of Support	Division and Regional Offices shall mobilize support of the community and commercial establishments in paying tribute to teachers by encouraging them to give discounts, freebies and special treats and promos for the whole month of September until October 5, 2012	Schools Division Superintendents and Regional Directors	Rotary Clubs, Kiwanis Clubs, Chambers of Commerce, Business Establishments	August to October 5, 2012

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<b>D. Posting of Streamers and Announcements</b>	Schools shall hang streamers or post on their main bulletin board an announcement on the National Teachers' Month and World Teachers' Day Celebration for the whole month of September until October 5, 2012.	School Heads	Supreme Pupil/Student Governments and other school-based organizations, Private Organizations for solicitations	September 5 to October 5, 2012
	Division and Regional Offices shall post tarpaulin streamers following the approved design on conspicuous places within the offices' compound. They shall also encourage commercial establishments to do the same.	Schools Division Superintendents and Regional Directors	Division and Regional NTM and WTD Committees	September 5 to October 5, 2012
<b>E. Conduct of Special Activities</b>	Schools shall conduct special activities to honor teachers in September such as contests (on-the-spot poster-making, essay-writing, Thank You card design and text contests and others) among pupils and students. Cultural performances especially those expressed using the Mother Tongue may also be incorporated in the activities.	School Heads	School NTM and WTD Committees, Supreme Pupil/Student Governments, PTAs, Alumni Associations, Sponsors	September 5 to October 5, 2012
<b>F. Conduct of Other Activities</b>	Other activities may be held by the school, division and regional offices which highlight and honor the contributions of the teachers in society.	School Heads, Schools Division Superintendents and Regional Directors	School, Division and Regional NTM and WTD Committees	September 5 to October 5, 2012



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<b>III. World Teachers' Day</b>				
A. Ringing/Sounding of School Bells	At 10:05 AM of October 5, 2012, school bells shall be sounded as signal for the synchronized World Teachers' Day celebration. This should be followed by the recitation of the National Prayer for Teachers.	School Heads	Supreme Pupil/Student Governments and other school-based organizations	October 5, 2012
B. Special Activities for Teachers	All teachers nationwide shall take a brake from their classroom duties to give way for special classroom/school programs. Schools may organize Grade VI Pupils and Fourth Year High School Students to handle the classes on behalf of the teachers.	School Heads	Supreme Pupil/Student Governments and other school-based organizations.	October 5, 2012
	Teachers may be provided with free make-over and spa treatments (haircut, facial and foot spa, massage, pedicure, manicure and other services) from EPP/TLE/TVE/STEP students/members or from private sponsors.	School Heads, Schools Division Superintendents, Regional Directors	Division and Regional NTM and WTD Committees, Alumni Associations, Parents-Teachers Associations, Supreme Student Governments, Supreme Pupil Governments, EPP, TLE, TVE and STEP Officers and members.	October 5, 2012
C. Religious Activities	Schools, Divisions and Regions may conduct religious ecumenical activities or liturgical celebrations.	School Heads, Schools Division Superintendents, Regional Directors	School, Division and Regional NTM and WTD Committees	October 5, 2012

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D. Synchronized Culminating Activities	Each Division and Region is REQUIRED to conduct one culminating activity for the teachers on October 5, 2012. This is similar to the Grand World Teachers' Day Celebration that is organized by the DepEd Central Office every year.	Schools Division Superintendents and Regional Directors	Division and Regional NTM and WTD Committees	October 5, 2012
E. Grand World Teachers' Day Event	The Department of Education Central Office, thru the Center for Students and Co-Curricular Affairs, will organize the Grand World Teachers' Day celebration at the Atrium, Limketkai Center, Cagayan de Oro City which will be participated in by teacher-representatives from the different regions in Mindanao.	DepEd-CSCA and DepEd Region X	Teacher-representatives from the different regions in Mindanao, DepEd Officials, Teachers' Month Campaign Steering Committee, Guests and other Government Officials	October 5, 2012
F. Submission of Reports	Schools and Offices (districts, divisions and regions) shall post their respective reports on <a href="http://www.facebook.com/depdttmc">www.facebook.com/depdttmc</a> the activities conducted pertinent to the conduct of the WTD. Reports shall include clear pictures and a comprehensive documentation.	School Heads, Schools Division Superintendents, Regional Directors	School, Division and Regional NTM and WTD Committees	October 6-31, 2012

Enclosure No. 3 to DepEd Memorandum No. 109 s. 2012

The  
DEPARTMENT of  
EDUCATION  
SALUTES  
the FILIPINO  
TEACHER!

My Teacher,  
My Hero

**National Teachers' Month**  
September 5-October 5, 2012

**World Teachers' Day**  
October 5, 2012



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Enclosure No. 4 to DepEd Memorandum No. 109 s. 2012

# My Teacher, My Hero

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### A PRAYER FOR TEACHERS

Giver of All Wisdom and Greatest of all Teachers,  
Look upon our teachers with love

Grant them the resolve  
To nurture our eager minds  
And to never give up on us who fall behind

Bless their hearts  
For they rejoice when we succeed  
And encourage us when we fail

Endow them with gentle patience  
For the path of learning is never easy

Kindle a spirit of passion in them  
It is the flame that ignites the love of learning in us

Help them see the potential in each student  
Their belief in us means much more than the grade we make

Instill in them a commitment to keep on learning  
It shows us to not fear new knowledge and experiences

Inspire them to touch the future  
They influence how big a dream we dream for ourselves  
Bless our teachers who have come before  
For their work endures to this day

Let the light of Your example shine upon all teachers:  
To build up with their words  
To love with their mind  
To share with their heart  
Amen.

**PANALANGIN PARA SA MGA GURO**

Tagapagkaloob ng Lahat ng Kaalaman at Guro ng mga guro  
Bigyan po Ninyo ng pagkalinga ang aming mga guro

Biyayaan Ninyo sila ng kahandaang  
Linangin ang aming murang isipan  
At huwag magsawa kapag di makahabol ang turuan

Pagpalain nawa ang kanilang mga pusong  
Nagdiriwang sa tuwing kami'y nagwawagi,  
At nag-aalo sa tuwing kami'y nadadaig

Pagkalooban Ninyo sila ng mahinahong pagtitiyaga  
Sapagkat ang landas ng kaalaman ay hindi madali

Pagningasin Ninyo sa kanila ang maapoy na diwang  
Nagpapaliyab sa kagustuhan naming matuto

Tulungan Ninyo silang makita ang galing sa bawat mag-aaral  
Wala sa marka ang halaga kundi sa pananalig nila

Ikintal Ninyo sa kanila ang walang pagkauhaw sa karunungan  
Ang bagong kaalaman at karanasan ay di dapat katakutan

Turuan po Ninyo silang masiglang abutin ang alapaap  
Kasinsigla at kasintayog ng sarili naming pangarap

Pagpalain po Ninyo ang mga gurong nauna sa amin  
Ang nagawa nila ay napapakinabangan pa rin

Tanglawan po ng Iyong mabuting halimbawa ang kaguruan

Upang makapagpatayo sila sa pamamagitan ng kanilang pangungusap

Upang makapagmahal sila sa pamamagitan ng kanilang isipan  
Upang makapagbahagi sila sa pamamagitan ng kanilang puso

Siya nawa.