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Region VII, Central Visayas
**SCHOOLS DIVISION OF NEGROS
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DIVISION MEMORANDUM

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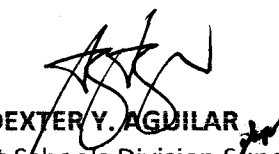
IMPLEMENTING BRIGADA ESKWELA

TO : DISTRICT SUPERVISORS/DISTRICT-IN-CHARGE
PUBLIC ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS
DISTRICT BRIGADA ESKWELA/ADOPT-A-SCHOOL COORDINATORS

1. This office announces the conduct of Brigada Eskwela also known as the National Schools Maintenance Week from May 19 to 24, 2014. This school maintenance effort engages all education stakeholders to contribute their time, effort and resources in ensuring that the public school facilities are ready in time for the forthcoming school opening.
2. As per Regional Memorandum No. 232, s. 2014, entitled "Implementing Brigada Eskwela 2014", all Adopt-A-School Program (ASP) partners and other organizations who are interested to be involved in the school maintenance program shall coordinate with the Office of the Undersecretary for Partnerships and External Linkages (OUPEL) through Secretariat for guidance. Interested groups are advised to accomplish the enclosed Statement of Interest (SOI) Form and submit it through email to brigadaeskwela.deped@gmail.com on or before May 12, 2014.
3. For this year, the Brigada Eskwela effort will focus on making schools disaster-ready, and on developing disaster-resilient school communities. To ease the schools' vulnerability to both natural and human-made disasters, Schools Principals shall take the lead role in planning activities to promote a safe school environment and ensuring the participation of teachers, parents, community members, local authorities, and other concerned stakeholders in this undertaking. In pursuit of this direction, School Principals or other school authorities are expected to reinforce the implementation of DepEd Order No. 83, s. 2011 entitled "Disaster Preparedness Measures for Schools".

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4. During the Brigada Eskwela Week, education officials from the Central, Regional and Division Offices will be monitoring the implementation of the program.
5. All DepEd employees are encouraged to join the Brigada Eskwela activities by offering their skills or providing their in-kind support to public schools near their residence. Interested employees are given two (2) days to do volunteer work on **official time**, provided that such work is approved by their respective heads of offices.
6. Expenses relative to the conduct of this activity shall be charged to local funds subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.
7. You are directed to submit Brigada Eskwela Accomplishment Report to this office on or before June 20, 2014 (Attention: Mrs. Esterlina B. Paragoso, ASP Division Coordinator).
8. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.


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