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Department of Education
NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION
SCHOOLS DIVISION OFFICE OF MUNTINLUPA CITY

Office of the Schools Division
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MEMORANDUM

No. 176 , s. 2025

GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN CULTURAL EDUCATION(GDCE)

To: OIC – Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chief Education Supervisor, Curriculum Implementation Division
Chief Education Supervisor, School Governance and Operations Division
Public and Private Elementary and Secondary School Heads/OICs
Administrative Officer V
All Others Concerned

1. Attached is Regional Letter No. 085 s. 2025, dated April 3, 2025, on the above-captioned title, the contents of which are self-explanatory, for the information and guidance of all concerned.
2. Interest applicants may apply online using this link: GDCE Level I-
<https://forms.gle/MmjZiJc4eQFQhcZd6>.
3. Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.


VIOLETA M. GONZALES

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Reference:

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index under the following subjects

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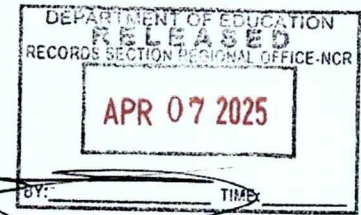
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April 3, 2025

To: **Schools Division Superintendents**

Dear Sirs/Mesdames:

Attached is a letter from JOSEPH J. CRISTOBAL, Director, Philippine Cultural Educational Program, National Commission for Culture and Arts inviting interested parties to Graduate Diploma in Cultural Education (GDCE), to be implemented on May 2025, classes will be at Asian Institute of Maritime Studies (AIMS), Pasay City, contents of which are self-explanatory for information and appropriate action.

For information and appropriate action.

Very truly yours,

JOCELYN DR ANDAYA

Regional Director, NCR
Concurrent Officer-in-Charge, Office of the
Assistant Secretary for Operations

Regional Letter No. 085, s. 2025



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18 March 2025

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Dear Dr. Andaya:

Greetings from the National Commission for Culture and the Arts (NCCA) - Philippine Cultural Education Program (PCEP)!

The Philippine Cultural Education Program (PCEP) in partnership with the Department of Education (DepEd) will conduct the **GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN CULTURAL EDUCATION (GDCE)**. It will be up for implementation this coming **May 2025**. Classes will be held on **Mondays to Saturdays** in **Asian Institute of Maritime Studies (AIMS)**, Pasay City.

In connection with this, we would like to request a **DepEd Regional Memo** to formally announce the program/s to the Regional Coordinators, Schools Division, City Superintendents, Heads of Public Elementary and Secondary Schools, and interested participants.

Interested Applicants may apply online using this link (Interested Applicants may apply online using this link:
GDCE Level I - <https://forms.gle/MmjZiJc4eQFQhcZd6>

A minimum of Fifteen (15) to Twenty (20) slots will be open for **NCR – National Capital Region** teachers. The GDCE Qualifying Exam will be held on **April 5 & 12, 2025 (Saturday)**, 9AM in AIMS School of Graduate Studies.

If you have further questions regarding the matter, please don't hesitate to email us at pcep@ncca.gov.ph.

We are hoping for your favorable and immediate response. Thank you very much.

Truly Yours,

JOSEPH J. CRISTOBAL
Director, Philippine Cultural Educational Program

Attachments:

1. [NCCA-DepEd Memorandum of Agreement](#)
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MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT
(MOA)

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

This Agreement made and entered into this 9th day of February 2013, in the City of Pasay, Philippines by and between:

The NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR CULTURE AND THE ARTS, a government agency created by and pursuant to Republic Act No. 7356 dated 3 April 1992, with office address at NCCA Building, 633 General Luna Street, Intramuros 1002 Manila represented by its Chairman FELIPE M. DE LEON, JR., hereinafter referred to as "NCCA".

-and-

The DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, a government agency created by law and pursuant to Republic Act No. 9155 dated 24th July 2000, with office address at DepED Complex, Meralco Avenue, Pasig City, represented by its Secretary, BR. ARMIN A. LUISTRO FSC, hereinafter referred to as "DepED".

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, the State recognizes that culture is a human right to be accorded respect and allowed to flourish, that the Filipino national culture shall be evolved and developed by the people themselves in a climate of freedom and responsibility, and that the Filipino national culture shall be equitable, effectively creating and distributing cultural opportunities to all;

WHEREAS, the NCCA is mandated to ensure the widest dissemination of artistic and cultural products among the greatest number across the country and overseas for their appreciation and well-being;

WHEREAS, the NCCA in this mandate may collaborate with the Department of Education and all other concerned agencies, public and private, and cause to be established and developed an intensified culture and arts education program at all levels of the educational system, public and private, to ensure meaningful culture and arts integration across the school curriculum, and encourage and support continuous training of cultural workers and administrators by qualified trainers;

WHEREAS, the Constitution mandates all educational institutions to inculcate patriotism and nationalism, foster love for humanity, respect for human rights, appreciation of the role of national heroes in the historical development of the country, teach the rights and duties of citizenship, strengthen ethical and spiritual values, develop moral character and personal discipline, and encourage critical and creative thinking;

WHEREAS, it is one of the objectives of the DepED to make schools and learning centers the most important vehicle for the teaching and learning of culture and the arts, and national values and for developing the Filipino learners' love of country and pride in its rich heritage;

NOW THEREFORE, The NCCA and the DepED hereto mutually agree to collaboratively conduct cultural education programs and activities such as but not limited to teacher training and development of training modules and instructional materials.

I. **Object of the Agreement.** — Both parties agree to create an *NCCA - DepED Cultural Education Program (NDCEP)*.

The parties will establish a strong collaboration and networking activities between themselves in the formulation and implementation of plans and programs for the integration and mainstreaming of Philippine arts and culture in the basic education system.

A. The purposes of the said agreement are as follows:

1. The development and implementation of an enhanced Special Program for the Arts (SPA) curriculum with production of instructional and resource materials;
2. The mainstreaming of Indigenous Knowledge Systems, Skills and Practices (IKSSP) through the institutionalization of an appropriate "School for Living Traditions (SLTs)" model in the formal education systems;
3. Support the K to 12 Program of DepED, [both in the formal and in-formal systems], particularly the subjects on heritage, culture and arts through teacher training, resource materials and by formulating competencies for arts-related careers;
4. The institutionalization of the training of students and teachers on arts and culture for both in-service and degree programs under the NCCA Philippine Cultural Education Program (PCEP) in line with Article X of Section 38 of RA No. 10066 or the Cultural Heritage Law; and,
5. Cultural enrichment activities for students, teachers, and education administrators in the formal and non-formal systems.

B. **Composition.** — The NCCA-DepED Cultural Education Program Committee (NDCEPC) shall be composed of seven (7) members, five (5) assigned by or organically with the NCCA and two (2) from DepED. The NCCA Plan/Policy Formulation and Programming Division (PPFPD) or its successors in interest shall be the Secretariat.

II. **Obligations of the Parties.** — The parties shall undertake the following obligations:

A. The NCCA shall:

1. Identify the components of the Special Program for the Arts Curriculum (SPA) then turn over the same for drafting into curriculum by the DepED;
2. Coordinate with the DepED for the institutionalization of the SLTs and their inclusion into continuing DepED programs, details of which shall form part and annexure of this MOA;
3. Appoint five permanent representatives to the NCCA-DepED Cultural Education Program Committee (NDCEPC);
4. Initiate and facilitate the development and implementation of the NDCEP;

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5. Tap culture and arts experts, and masters of living traditions (MLT) to provide the content, information and material resources for the NDCEP;
6. Provide culture and arts experts and MLTs for the actual implementation of the program such as the trainings and instructional materials production;
7. Allocate budget for the NDCEP subject to the regular NCCA grants process; and,
8. Provide Secretariat for the activities of the NDCEP.

B. The DepED shall:

1. Include in the formal and non-formal system culture and the arts, the SLTs and the SPA. Institutionalize the training of arts teachers in coordination with the NCCA.
2. Appoint two permanent representatives to the NCCA-DepED Cultural Education Program Committee (NDCEPC).
3. Ensure active engagement of the NCCA in the development of appropriate curriculum on Philippine arts and culture, instructional materials, and teachers training.
4. Ensure the integration and efficient implementation of the NDCEP and its inclusion in the DepED annual workplan.
5. Support participation of DepED students, teachers, and administrators in various NCCA programs for cultural enrichment activities such as the Philippine Arts Festival / National Arts Month, National Heritage Month, International Dance Festival, Indigenous Peoples Month, and the Philippine Cultural Education Program (PCEP), among others.
6. Pave the way to ensure the recognition of expertise of the "Masters of Living Tradition (MLT)" to qualify them to teach part time in view of such expertise.
7. Provide counterpart funding for the implementation of the NDCEP.

C. The NCCA-DepED Cultural Education Program Committee (NDCEPC) shall:

1. Convene within fifteen (15) days after the signing of this Memorandum of Agreement.
 2. Conduct regular meetings or may call for special meetings as deemed necessary.
 3. Elect a Chairperson and a Vice-Chair from among themselves, ensuring the representation from both parties among the members of the committee.
 4. Create Ad-Hoc committee(s) to craft the component projects and activities and consolidate them into the NDCEP.
 5. Ensure that the provisions and commitments of both parties stipulated in this Memorandum of Agreement shall be complied with.
 6. Conduct regular assessment and evaluation of the NDCEP and make necessary suggestion/s.
 7. Prepare reports for the information and appreciation of the NCCA national committees and the Board of Commissioners and the Secretary of the Department of Education.
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This Memorandum of Agreement shall take effect immediately upon signing by both parties and shall continue to be in force until revoked or superseded.

WHEREFORE, the parties hereto have hereinto affixed their signatures this ____ day of _____, 2013, in the City of Manila, Philippines.

For the DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

For the NATIONAL COMMISSION
FOR CULTURE AND THE ARTS



BR. ARMIN A. LUISTRO FSC
Secretary




FELIPE M. DE LEON, JR.
Chairman

Signed in the presence of:



Atty. ALBERTO T. MUYOT
Undersecretary for Legal and Legislative Affairs



EMELITA V. ALMOSARA, CESO IV
Executive Director III

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

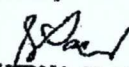
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CITY OF MANILA) S.S.

Before me on this ____ day of FFB 19 701 2013 personally appeared FELIPE M. DE LEON, JR. with Community Tax Certificate No. CC12012 08910827 issued on January 3, 2013 in Manila and BR. ARMIN A. LUISTRO FSC with Community Tax Certificate No. _____ issued on _____ at _____ both known to me to be the same persons who executed the foregoing instrument and they acknowledged to me the same is their free will and voluntary act and deed.

This instrument consists of four (4) pages including this page wherein this acknowledgment is written.

IN WITNESS, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my notarial seal this ____ day of FFB 19 701 2013.

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