DIVISION MEMORANDUM
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SCHOLARSHIP IN TEACHER EDUCATION PROGRAM TO UPGRADE
TEACHER QUALITY IN THE PHILIPPINES

To: Public Schools District Supervisors
    Public Elementary School Heads
    Public JHS/SHS School Heads

1. Attached are the copies of Regional Memorandum dated July 14, 2017 signed by Atty. Alberto T. Escobarte, CESO III, Regional Director and the Letter dated May 10, 2017 from Ana Alexandra Edilon, the STEP UP Program Manager announcing the opening of Scholarship in Teacher Education Program to Upgrade Teacher Quality in the Philippines.

2. This Office encourages the teachers who were hired in the Senior High School and are college graduates/young professionals/career shifters/graduates of any bachelor's degree to apply in the said scholarship.

3. The details of the said scholarship program are in the enclosures.

4. Wide and immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is earnestly desired.

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Officer-In-Charge
Office of the Schools Division Superintendent

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MEMORANDUM

To: Schools Division Superintendents

Subject: SCHOLARSHIP IN TEACHER EDUCATION PROGRAM TO UPGRADE TEACHER QUALITY IN THE PHILIPPINES (STEP UP)

Date: July 14, 2017

1. In pursuance to the invitation from the partner stakeholder of the Department of Education Central Office, Philippine Business for Education (PBEd), this Office informs the Scholarship in Teacher Education Program to Upgrade Teacher Quality in the Philippines (STEP UP), a program supported by the Australian Government that aims to produce 1,000 high quality teachers ready to teach the public schools in 2019.

2. The STEP UP is a scholarship program supported by the Australian Government that aims to produce 1,000 high quality teachers ready to teach the public schools in 2019. This intends to attract the top 25% of the graduating high school students, financially challenged junior students and good performing college graduates/young professionals/career shifters/graduates of any bachelor’s degree preferably, a BS Math, Accountancy, Engineering, Statistics, Economics, Medical Sciences, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Literature, Communication, Social Work, Behavioral Sciences, Social Sciences, and other related courses except for BS Education.

3. The following are the Scholarship Benefits:
   - Free tuition and miscellaneous fees
   - Php 4,000 monthly allowance
   - Php 3,000 book allowance per semester
   - Php 1,000 uniform allowance per semester
   - Php 2,000 monthly dormitory allowance
   - Php 5,000 one-time relocation allowance
   - Php 5,000 one-time Thesis or Practice Teaching Allowance
   - Php 2,000 graduation and miscellaneous fees assistance
   - Maximum of Php 11,500 LET assistance package
   - Php 3,000 one-time return allowance
   - Php 5,000 reimbursable basic health assistance per school year
   - Mentoring package

4. For details of STEP UP, please contact Ms. Anna Sarte, Program Officer, thru phone (02) 801-4446 or mobile number 0917-815-8305 and email at absarte@pbed.ph or visit www.stepupph.org.

5. This Office directs all Schools Division Offices (SDOs) to encourage the teachers who were hired in the Senior High School and are college graduates/young professionals/career shifters/graduates of any bachelor’s degree to apply in the said scholarship.

6. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

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ATTY. ALBERTO T. ESCORARTE, CESO III
Regional Director
May 10, 2017

ATTY. ALBERTO T. ESCOBARTE CESO III
Regional Director
Department of Education – Davao City

Dear Atty. Escobarre:

Greetings from Philippine Business for Education!

Since 2006, PBEd has been the business community’s response to the need for sustained advocacy in education reform. In partnership with the Australian government, it is also implementing the Scholarships in Teacher Education Program to Upgrade Teacher Quality in the Philippines (STEP UP). It is a scholarship program that aims to produce 1,000 high quality teachers ready for public school employment by 2019.

PBEd is conducting a series of application procedures. One of which is the Live Meet Ups, composed of group discussion, demo teaching and panel interview. We are writing to invite you as one of the panelists for demo teaching on July 13-14 at University of Southeastern Philippines – Tagum Campus. In case you are not available, we hope you can send a representative. We also wish to do a courtesy call to your office on July 12, 3:00PM.

For questions and confirmation, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Anna Sarte, program officer, thru phone (02) 801 4446 or mobile 0917 815 8905 and e-mail at abearte@pbed.ph or visit www.stepupphe.org.

Thank you very much and we look forward to your support in advancing the state of Philippine education.

Sincerely,

Ana Alexandra Edillon
STEP UP Program Manager