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DIVISION MEMORANDUM

CID-2025- 434

To : Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
CID Chief
Public Schools District Supervisors
Education Program Supervisor Concerned
School Heads
Teachers Concerned

Subject : **United Nations (UN) Month Celebration 2025: Promoting Peace, Unity, and Global Partnerships**

Date : September 29, 2025

1. United Nations (UN) Day, celebrated annually every October 24, commemorates the establishment of the United Nations in 1945. Officially declared by the UN General Assembly in 1947 and later recognized as an international holiday in 1971, this observance highlights the values of peace, human rights, global cooperation, and sustainable development.
2. The Schools Division Office of Digos City enjoins all schools to meaningfully observe United Nations (UN) Month this October 2025, with the culminating activity on October 24, 2025 (United Nations Day).
3. The theme for this year's celebration is: "United Nations Day 2025: Promoting Peace, Unity, and Global Partnerships."
4. Schools are encouraged to conduct age-appropriate and meaningful activities that promote awareness of the United Nations, its goals, and its relevance in fostering peace and unity among nations. Suggested activities include but are not limited to:
 - 4.1. Classroom-based discussions on the history and role of the United Nations;
 - 4.2. School-wide programs such as Parade of Nations, cultural presentations, and exhibits showcasing member nations;
 - 4.3. ASEAN Quiz and UN Trivia Quiz to strengthen learners' knowledge of global cooperation and regional integration;
 - 4.4. Advocacy campaigns focusing on peace, human rights, and environmental sustainability; and
 - 4.5. Integration of UN Month themes in curricular and co-curricular activities.
5. To ensure the success of the celebration, all School Araling Panlipunan (AP) Coordinators are directed to spearhead and facilitate the conduct of the UN Month activities in their respective schools, in close coordination with their school heads and teachers across subject areas.



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6. All school heads shall ensure inclusivity, learner participation, and alignment of activities with the DepEd core values of Maka-Diyos, Maka-Tao, Makakalikasan, at Makabansa.
7. Participation of teachers and students in the said activity is however discretionary, subject to the following conditions:
 - 7.1. Strict adherence to the policy on “No Disruption of Classes” as stipulated in DepEd Order No. 9, s. 2005 entitled “Instituting Measures to Increase Engaged Time on-Task and Ensuring Compliance Therewith”; and
 - 7.2. No government funds shall be incurred for participation in this activity.
8. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.


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Schools Division Superintendent 

Enclosed: As stated.
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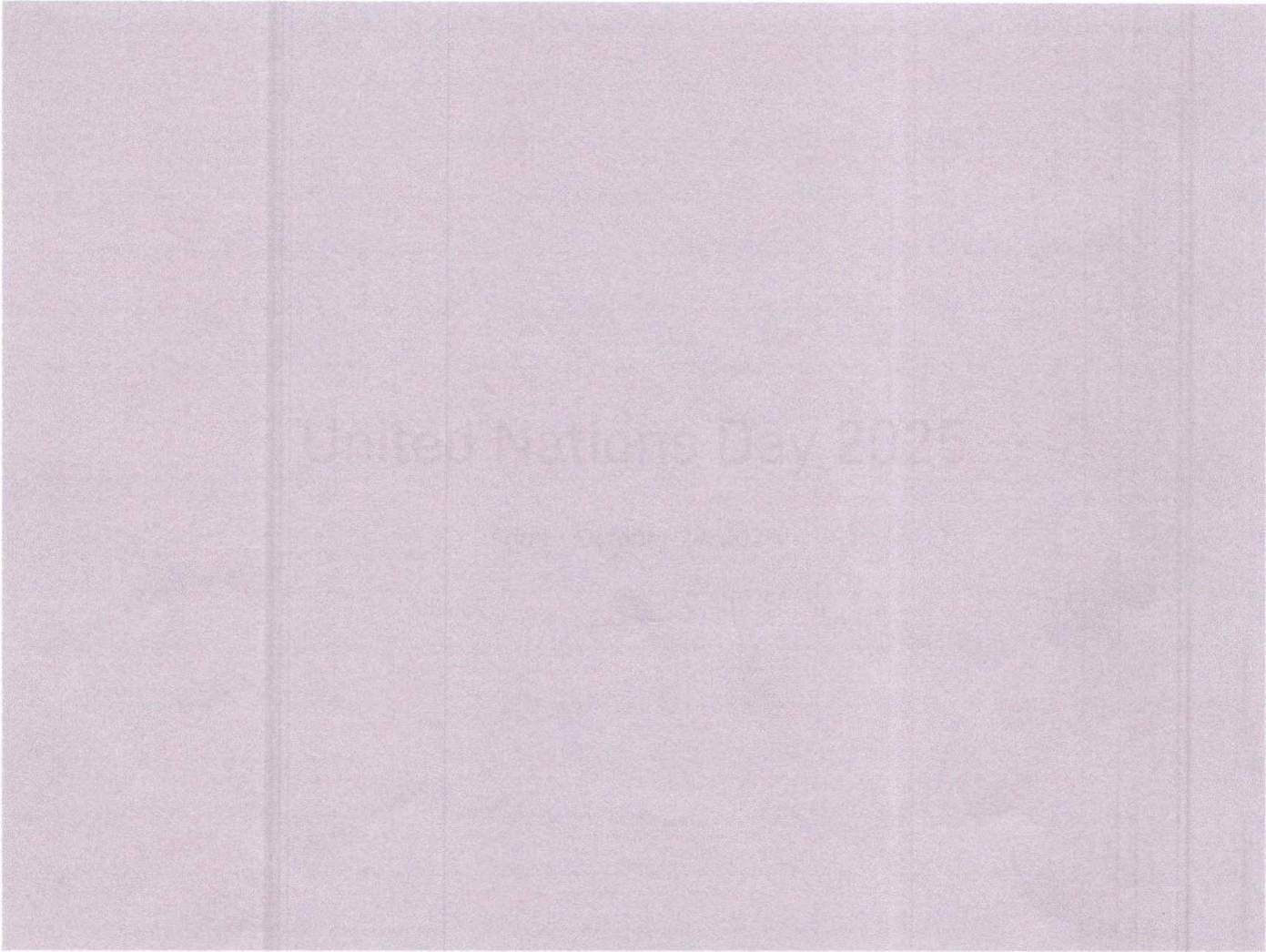
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United Nations Day 2025: Promoting Peace, Unity, and Global Partnerships

Celebrated annually on October 24, United Nations Day commemorates the establishment of the United Nations in 1945. This day is devoted to promoting global unity, international cooperation, and the organization's work in advancing peace, human rights, and sustainable development. Officially declared by the United Nations General Assembly in 1947, the observance was later recognized as an international holiday in 1971, encouraging all member states to honor it as a public holiday.

Origins and Historical Background

The concept of "United Nations Day" dates back to World War II, where it was first observed on June 14, 1942, by the Allied nations. These celebrations, featuring military parades and events in cities like New York and London, were tied to US Flag Day as a display of solidarity. However, it was not until the signing of the UN Charter in 1945 that United Nations Day became formally connected to the current international observance.

Global Commemoration and Celebrations



United Nations Day is marked by discussions, exhibits, and educational programs across the globe to showcase the UN's achievements and ongoing initiatives. Schools, particularly international ones, host cultural events, where students celebrate their diverse backgrounds through food fairs, performances, and activities that foster understanding of global issues and cultures.

In the United States, the President issues an annual proclamation recognizing United Nations Day. In Kosovo, it is observed as an official non-working day. The Philippines celebrates by having schoolchildren dress in national costumes of different UN member states, engaging in presentations, crafts, and educational activities that deepen global awareness.

A Commitment to Peace and Cooperation



United Nations Day serves as a powerful reminder of the organization's dedication to global peace, security, and human rights. It underscores the importance of international partnerships in solving pressing global challenges and reinforces the collective responsibility to build a better, more sustainable future for all.

Connection to the Sustainable Development Goals

United Nations Day is aligned with key Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), highlighting the importance of global cooperation:

- **SDG 16: Peace, Justice, and Strong Institutions** – Promoting inclusive societies, access to justice, and accountable institutions worldwide.
- **SDG 17: Partnerships for the Goals** – Encouraging robust global partnerships to support all SDGs and fostering shared success in sustainable development.
- **SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities** – Reducing disparities within and among countries by advocating for equality and inclusive policies.

How to Participate on United Nations Day 2025

On October 24, 2025, individuals and communities worldwide are encouraged to engage in activities that reflect the spirit of the United Nations. From educational events to cultural celebrations, United Nations Day offers an opportunity to honor the organization's mission and work together toward a peaceful, equitable, and united world.

UN Day and International Day of Peace Themes

Year	Event	Theme	Description
2019	UN Day	Transform the World	This theme focused on the UN's commitment to creating global transformations through partnerships, development, and promoting peace.
2020	International Day of Peace	Shaping Peace Together	Observed virtually due to COVID-19, this theme emphasized unity and collective action to foster peace amidst the global pandemic challenges.
2021	International Day of Peace	Recovering better for an equitable and sustainable world	This theme focused on building back better post-pandemic with fairness and sustainability at the core of recovery efforts.
2022	UN Day	Building Back Together for Peace and Prosperity	This year's theme highlighted the importance of unity in maintaining global peace and prosperity, urging people to embrace collective responsibility.
2023	International Day of Peace	Actions for Peace: Our Ambition for the #GlobalGoals	The theme urged individuals and nations to take active steps to promote peace, recognizing peace as vital for achieving Sustainable Development Goals.
2024	UN Day	The World Needs the UN; the UN Needs Us	This theme emphasized the critical role of the UN and the importance of collaborative support from its member states to address global challenges.

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