## Republic of the Philippines Department of Education Region V **Division of Camarines Sur** Freedom Sports Complex, San Jose, Pili, Camarines Sur

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DIVISION MEMORANDUM No. 5) s. 2018

To : Asst. Schools Division Superintendents Chiefs, CID and SGOD Education Program Supervisors Public Schools District Supervisors Public and Private Elementary and Secondary School Heads Teachers All concerned

## 2018 OBSERVANCE OF THE NATIONAL DOWN SYNDROME CONSCIOUSNESS MONTH

1. Pursuant to **Proclamation No. 157, s. 2002** otherwise known as "DECLARING THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY AS NATIONAL DOWN SYNDROME CONSCIOUSNESS MONTH," the Department of Education-Division of Camarines Sur through the Curriculum Implementation Division (CID) shall lead the celebration of the 2018 National Observance of the National Down Syndrome Consciousness Month.

2. This **declaration** is in compliance with the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child which states that, "the Republic of the Philippines recognizes that disabled children have the right to special care, education and training to help them enjoy full and decent lives in dignity and achieve the greatest degree of selfreliance and social integration possible.

3. All public and private schools are encouraged to undertake simple yet meaningful activities that will hone pupils' special talents and skills innovatively and creatively that will not cost much and disrupt classes.

4. Employees from other agencies like Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD), the National Youth Commission (NYC), the Council for the Welfare of Children (CWC), local government units and private organizations including the civil society, private enterprises, and nongovernment, civic, and people's organizations can also be invited to talk about this celebration.

5. All activities shall be in accordance with **DepEd Order No. 9, s. 2005**, Instituting Measures to Increase Engaged Time-On-Task and Ensuring Compliance therewith.

6. Accomplishment Report shall be submitted on or before March 15, 2018 (by district) to this Office, Attention: Heracleo E. Barcillano, Education Program Supervisor – I, Kindergarten and Special Education.

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7. **Expenses** relative to the conduct of activities shall be charged against school MOOE, SPED, PTA, and other fund sources subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

8. Immediate dissemination of this **Memorandum** is hereby enjoined.

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ARNULFO'M BALANE, CESO V Schools Division Superintendent

Reference:

Proclamation No 157 s. 2002

To be indicated in the **Perpetual Index** Under the following subjects

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