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INVITATION TO THE ANNUAL NATIONAL CONGRESS

To: **Schools Division Superintendents**
Assistant Schools Division Superintendents
CID Chiefs, SDO Librarians, School Librarians
All Others Concerned

1. Pursuant to DepEd Memorandum No. DM-OUHROD-2024-1127 titled Invitation to the Annual National Congress, this Office invites SDO librarians, school/teacher librarians, and library personnel associated with the Department of Education to the Annual National Congress with the theme, "Knowledge Integration: Connecting Minds, Empowering Communities" at the Grand Menseng Hotel, Davao City on November 19-22, 2024 sponsored by the Philippine Librarians Association Inc. (PLAI), in partnership with the National Commission for Culture and the Arts (NCCA) through the National Committee on Library and Information Services (NCLIS) and the National Library of the Philippines (NLP).
2. The use of DepEd funds shall be subject to the approval of their respective approving authorities. The same is also contingent upon its availability, and adherence to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.
3. Attached is Memorandum DM-OUHROD-2024-1127 for ready reference.
4. Immediate and wide dissemination of this memorandum is desired.

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For the Regional Director:



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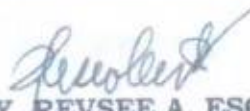
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MEMORANDUM
DM-OUHROD-2024-1127



TO : Regional Directors
Schools Division Superintendents
All Others Concerned

FROM : 
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Undersecretary for Operations

SUBJECT : INVITATION TO THE ANNUAL NATIONAL CONGRESS

DATE : 13 June 2024

The **Philippine Librarians Association, Inc. (PLAI)**, in partnership with the **National Commission for Culture and the Arts (NCCA)** through the **National Committee on Library and Information Services (NCLIS)**, and the **National Library of the Philippines (NLP)** will be conducting its **Annual National Congress** on 19-22 of November at the **Grand Menseng Hotel, Davao City**.

Librarian/s, teacher-librarians, and library personnel associated with the Department of Education may opt to attend the said activity provided that their participation will not hamper the conduct of classes in schools. The use of DepEd funds shall be subject to the approval of their respective approving authorities. The same is also contingent upon its availability, and adherence to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

Please see the attached communication from PLAII for more details. Should there be further inquiries, kindly email the PLAII Secretariat through the email address plaicongressofficial@gmail.com or mobile number 0998-992-2267.



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Thru:
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Undersecretary for Curriculum and Teaching

Dear VP Sara,

Warmest greetings from PLAI!

The Philippine Librarians Association, Inc. (PLAI), in partnership with the National Commission for Culture and the Arts (NCCA) through the National Committee on Library and Information Services (NCLIS), and the National Library of the Philippines (NLP), will be conducting its **Annual National Congress on** 19-22 November 2024 at the Grand Menseng Hotel, Davao City.

With the theme, ***"Knowledge Integration: Connecting Minds, Empowering Communities"***, this year's PLAI National Congress objectives are the following:

1. **Promoting Knowledge Collaboration:** The project aims to encourage librarians and information professionals to collaborate and form strong partnerships with various stakeholders, including academic institutions, local government units, NGOs, private organizations, and community members. These collaborations will foster a dynamic exchange of knowledge and expertise to address local challenges and opportunities.
2. **Enhancing Information Access:** By identifying and implementing innovative strategies for information dissemination, the project intends to improve information access and availability for diverse communities. Special emphasis will be placed on reaching marginalized and underserved populations.
3. **Facilitating Interdisciplinary Exchange:** The project seeks to break down silos between different fields of knowledge and promote interdisciplinary interactions. It will encourage librarians to curate diverse resources and engage in knowledge integration, leading to enriched learning experiences for individuals and groups.



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4. **Empowering Local Communities:** Through knowledge-sharing initiatives and community-centered projects, the project will empower local communities to take an active role in defining their development needs and finding sustainable solutions. Librarians will act as catalysts for community-driven development and social cohesion.
5. **Embracing Technology for Inclusivity:** The project will explore the effective use of technology in connecting minds and disseminating knowledge. Emphasis will be placed on digital literacy, e-learning, and the utilization of emerging technologies to bridge the digital divide.

We are pleased to announce that this year's Congress will feature plenary and parallel sessions sponsored by sectoral library associations, focusing on topics pertinent to various types of libraries (i.e., academic, public, school, and special). These sessions will provide a platform for in-depth discussions, knowledge sharing, and professional development tailored to your specific needs. Additionally, the General Assembly will serve as a crucial forum for presenting updates and addressing key concerns related to the Association and the profession at large.

In this connection, we earnestly **request** your esteemed Office's **endorsement** to all Department of Education Schools **to encourage their librarians, teacher-librarians, and library personnel to actively participate in this significant event.** Please find the tentative program attached for your reference.

While the Congress is a national event, we are extending this invitation to **all DEPED Regional Offices**, urging **school administrators and librarians to attend.** This is a unique opportunity for professional growth, networking, and collaboration across the country.

For further information, please feel free to email us to plai.congress.office@deped.gov.ph or contact the undersigned directly. Your positive response to this humble invitation is highly anticipated, as we look forward to your participation with much hope and respect. Your involvement will undoubtedly contribute to the success of this Congress and the advancement of our profession.

Thank you very much and warm regards,

Sincerely yours,


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