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Department of Education
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Schools Division Office- Ifugao
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Division Memorandum

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TO : Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads
Teachers
Stakeholders
All Others Concerned
This Division

FROM : **FELIPE L. BALLITOC**
OIC- Schools Division Superintendent

DATE : April 4, 2018

SUBJECT : **2018 BRIGADA ESKWELA IMPLEMENTING GUIDELINES**

1. The Department of Education (DepEd), will conduct the **2018 Brigada Eskwela** with the theme **"Pagkakaisa Para sa Handa, Ligtas at Matatag na Paaralan Tungo sa Magandang Kinabukasan"**. The previous schedule from May 14- 19, 2018 shall be moved to May 28- June 1, 2018 due to the upcoming barangay election. The Brigada Eskwela is the National School's Maintenance Week that aims to bring together all education stakeholders to participate and contribute their time, effort and resources to prepare public school facilities ready for the opening of the School Year in June.
2. On May 28, regional offices (ROs) and school division offices (SDOs) shall hold a caravan to launch the first day of Brigada Eskwela. A kick-off ceremony will be held in a public school offering Senior High School Program, which will also be the final stop of the caravan. This year's National Kick-off Ceremony will be held at General Santos City, Region 12 on May 24, 2018.
3. Individuals or groups from the national government agencies, local government units, private sector, international organizations and other parties, who are interested to help the schools and to volunteer may coordinate with the Office of the Assistant External Partnerships Service in the Central Office, Education Support Services Division in the regional offices, Social Mobilization and Networking Section under the Schools Governance and Operations Division in the SDOs and/ or the beneficiary school itself, for guidance.

4. All DepEd employees are encouraged to join the *Brigada Eskwela* activities by offering their skills and by sharing their time or providing their assistance in-kind, and by supporting public schools near their respective residences. Interested employees are given two days to do volunteer work on *official time*, provided that such work is approved by their heads of offices.
5. Schedules of activities for the 2018 Brigada Eskwela implementation and selection process in the Search for Brigada Eskwela Best Implementing Schools will be disseminated through an orientation to be conducted by the Division Office before the Brigada Eskwela implementation.
6. School heads shall take the lead role in planning the activities geared on making schools ecologically conscious, resilient, clean and conducive to learning. The SH shall make the Brigada Eskwela Program not just a tool for improving the school facilities, but also as a catalyst for achieving a higher learning outcome for the school. Brigada Eskwela Plus will be the mechanism to elevate the level of participation, the amount of resources generated, the number of volunteer turn-out and then level of awareness. The implementation of Brigada Eskwela Plus will focus on the following three main activities:
 - a. School maintenance activities throughout the year;
 - b. Community-led effort to improve student participation and reduce dropouts or enroll in the Alternative Learning System; and
 - c. Community-led effort to improve the student performance.
7. For more information, all concerned may contact Mr. Rolly V. Soriano, Project Development Officer III, External Partnerships Services, Department of Education Central Office, DepEd Complex, Meralco Avenue, Pasig City at telephone nos. (02) 638-8637 or (02) 638-8639 or email at rolly.soriano@deped.gov.ph.
8. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.