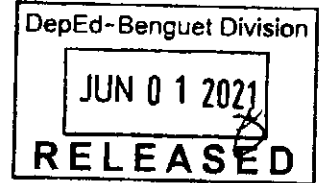




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DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. 195 s. 2021

**TO: Chief Education Program Supervisors-SGOD and CID
Education Program Supervisors
Public Schools District Supervisors and Coordinating Principals
School Heads, YES-O Advisers, School in a Garden (SIGA) Coordinator
All Others Concerned**

Back to School: Let a Million Flowers Bloom Project

1. Pursuant to OUA Memo 00-0521-0171 "Back to School: Let a Million Flowers Bloom Project" The office of the Undersecretary for Administration (OUA), through the Bureau of Learners Support Services-Youth Formation Division (BLSS-YFD) will launch the "Let a Million Flowers Bloom" Project for SY2021-2022 to uplift the spirit of learners, parents, and teachers, as well as to show gratitude and appreciation to teachers for all the hard work they have showed amidst the COVID-19 pandemic to continue the delivery of quality education to learners.
2. The presence of flowers triggers happy emotions, heightens feelings of life satisfaction, and effects social behavior in a positive manner far beyond what is normally believed.
3. Through this project, all schools located along highways are encouraged to plant flowering plants and let them bloom in time for the opening of classes for SY 2021-2022. Each school through the leadership of the Youth Environment in Schools-Organization (YES-O) teacher—Advisers and /or the School Inside a Garden (SIGA) Coordinator shall conduct the following activities:
 - Designate a minimum of 10 sm. land area in front and or by the side of the school and must be visible to the public. If the school has no available land area, the school can use alternative recycled materials like plastic bottles and sacks for planting the flowers.
 - Plant sunflowers (Helianthus) or any flowering plants available within the area of the school. Philippine native plants are recommended, such as kamuning katmon, gumamela, etc.
 - The school shall plant the saplings 1-2 months or earlier in time for the flowers to bloom on the opening of classes.



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- The school may seek partnership from their respective Local Government Units, private sectors, and even the parents/guardians of their learners for the said activity.
 - The expenses to be incurred shall be charged against the local funds/school MOOE in accordance with existing accounting and auditing rules and regulations.
 - The activity shall be performed in accordance with the local health protocols set in place in relation to the COVID-19 pandemic.
 - The YES-0 Teacher-Advisers or SIGA Coordinator are requested to document the whole duration of the project and post these on their official school Facebook page or group using the hashtags **#DepEdProjectMillionFlowers** and **#depedkabataan2021**. Phots should also be posted on the “BLSS-YFD-School in a Garden” Channel of the “OUA Schools Photos” Microsoft Team.
4. For queries and clarifications please contact Kenneth W. Kelcho, 0929-484-6740 and Cliftone Bangse-il, 0946-427-8377, Youth Formation Coordinators.
5. Wide dissemination of this memorandum is requested.


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