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DIVISION MEMORANDUM  
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**BACK TO SCHOOL: LET A MILLION FLOWERS BLOOM PROJECT**

To: Assistant School Division Superintendents  
Chiefs of Division, CID and SGOD  
Public Schools District Supervisors  
Elementary and Secondary School Principals  
All Others Concerned

1. Pursuant to the OUA Memo 00-0521-0171 entitled **BACK TO SCHOOL: LET A MILLION FLOWERS BLOOM PROJECT** and in connection to the **Revitalization and Strengthening of Youth for Environment in Schools Organization (Yes-O) Program** under DepEd Order No. 52 s. 2011 and DepEd Memorandum No. 187, s. 2018 **Implementation of DepEd School Inside a Garden (SIGA) Program**, the SDO Nueva Ecija will participate in this project for the School Year 2021-2022.
2. In connection with this, **all Elementary and Secondary Schools** are enjoined to participate to this project to help uplift the spirit of learners, parents, and teachers, as well as to show gratitude and appreciation to teachers for all the hard work they showed amidst the COVID-19 pandemic in continuation of the delivery of quality education to learners.
3. With today's high-tech and fast-paced lifestyle taking its daily toll on everyone's lives, this project aims to relieve stress as nature provides us simple way to improve emotional health, especially flowers. The presence of flowers triggers happy emotions, heightens feelings of life satisfaction, and affects social behavior in positive manner far beyond what is normally believed.
4. Through this project, the Youth Formation Unit in SGOD encourages all the schools, including those schools that are located along highways 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 for Environment in Schools-Organization (YES-O) Teachers-Advisers and in support of the School Inside a Garden (SIGA) coordinators** shall conduct the following activities:
  - a) Designate a minimum of 10 square meters 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.
  - b) Plant sunflowers or any flowering plants available within the area of the school. Philippine native plants are recommended, such as kamuning, katmon, gumamela, etc.
  - c) The school shall plant the saplings 1-2 months or earlier in time for the flowers to bloom on the opening of classes.
  - d) The school may seek partnership from their respective Local Government Units (LGUs), private sector, and even the parents/guardians of their learners for the said activity.



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- e) The expenses to be incurred shall be charged against the local funds/school MOOE in accordance with existing accounting and auditing rules and regulations.
  - f) The activity shall be performed in accordance with the local health protocols set in place in relation to the COVID -19 pandemic.
  - g) The YES-O coordinators 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. Photos consisting of before, during and after of planting flowers should also be posted on the "BLSS-YFD- School in a Garden" Channel of the "OUA School Photos" Microsoft Team.
5. For more inquiries please coordinate with the Division Yes-O Program Coordinator- Ciara Faye B. Mangulabnan (0918-233-8205) and SIGA Coordinator- Sherry- Anne R. Palasigue (0946-659-0684).
6. Immediate dissemination of and strict compliance with this Memorandum is expected.

  
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Schools Division Superintendent

Encl.: NONE

References: OUA Memo 00-0521-0171

DepEd Order No. 52 s. 2011

DepED Memorandum No. 187 s. 2018

To be included the Perpetual Index

under the following subjects:

YOUTH FOR ENVIRONMENT IN SCHOOLS ORGANIZATION (YES-O) PROGRAM

SCHOOL INSIDE A GARDEN (SIGA) PROGRAM,

DM 2021 Back to School: Let a Million Flowers Bloom Project  
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**OUA MEMO 00-0521-0171**

**MEMORANDUM**

24 May 2021

For: **Regional Directors and BARMM Education Minister  
Schools Division Superintendents  
School Heads  
All Others Concerned**

Subject: **BACK TO SCHOOL: LET A MILLION FLOWERS BLOOM  
PROJECT**

The Office of the Undersecretary of Administration (OUA), through the Bureau of Learner Support Services – Youth Formation Division (BLSS-YFD) will launch the “Let a Million Flowers Bloom” project for School Year (SY) 2021-2022 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.

With today’s high-tech and fast-paced lifestyle taking its daily toll on everyone’s lives, experts advise exercise and other personal lifestyle changes to relieve stress. Nature provides us with a simple way to improve emotional health, especially flowers. The presence of flowers triggers happy emotions, heightens feelings of life satisfaction, and affects social behavior in a positive manner far beyond what is normally believed.

Through this project, the BLSS-YFD encourages all schools located along highways 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 for Environment in Schools-Organization (YES-O) teacher-advisers and/or the School Inside a Garden (SIGA) coordinators shall conduct the following activities:

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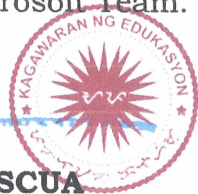
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5. The expenses to be incurred shall be charged against the local funds/school MOOE in accordance with existing accounting and auditing rules and regulations.
6. The activity shall be performed in accordance with the local health protocols set in place in relation to the COVID-19 pandemic.
7. The YES-O teacher-adviser 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*. Photos should also be posted on the “BLSS-YFD – School in a Garden” Channel of the “OUA School Photos” Microsoft Team.

For immediate dissemination and compliance.

  
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