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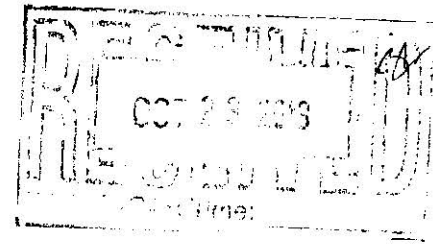
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MADAM:

Greetings!

The school would like to bring to your attention the conduct of the 6th Dimasalang Debate Tournament that the BCNHS Youth Debate Society is sponsoring on November 29-December 2, 2013. This yearly tournament was started by the debate club in School Year 2008-2009. In the early stages, only schools from Baguio City were invited to join. But in the past three stages, schools from as far as the Ilocos Region came to participate.

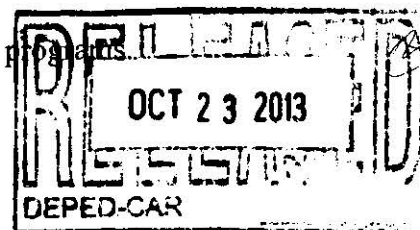
This year, however, the school sees a need to institutionalize the Dimasalang Debate Tournament with your office's imprimatur.

In this connection, the school is requesting your office to approve the conduct of the 6th Dimasalang Debate Tournament and to cause the region-wide dissemination of the activity thru a regional memorandum. The main aim of this activity is to provide the participants an authentic venue where they can hone their oral communication skills as well as develop their talent in argumentation and debate.

Attached are a dummy regional memorandum and information on the 6th Dimasalang Debate Tournament plus activity matrix, for your perusal.

Thank you for your continuing support to the school and its academic programs.

Very truly yours,



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**1<sup>st</sup> Indorsement**  
 October 23, 2013

To: Schools Division Superintendents  
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For information, dissemination and appropriate action.

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# 6<sup>th</sup> Regional Dimasalang Debate Tournament

November 29-December 02, 2013

Baguio City National High School Auditorium

Governor Pack Road, Baguio City

Theme: "21<sup>ST</sup> Century Learners: Gearing Towards Excellence"

## BACKGROUND

Initiated and spearheaded by the Baguio City National High School Youth Debate Society in school year 2008-2009, the Dimasalang Cup has grown from a school-wide to a region-wide debate tournament, with students from as far as the Ilocos Region joining the activity. This tournament is patterned from other debate tournaments that promote nationalism like the *Lam-Ang Cup* organized by the University of the Philippines College Baguio (UPCB) Debate Team and the *Bannuar Debate Tournament* sponsored by the UP Dilliman Debate Society.

The BCNHS debate club adopted Dimasalang (or *dimas alang* which means "untouchable"), the pseudonym of Dr. Jose Rizal, as its tournament's official name in honor of our national hero.

The Dimasalang Debate Tournament observes the Asian Parliamentary Debate Format in deference to the parliamentary system used by some countries within our continent.

Now on its sixth year, the tournament aims to provide authentic oral communication opportunities for more students to polish their skills in public speaking, most particularly in argumentation and debate. Consequently, the Dimasalang Cup is looking forward to accommodating more debating teams from other institutions not only from the city but also from the other divisions in the Cordillera Region and from the Ilocos Region.

## OBJECTIVES

This year's tournament aims to further hone the participants' higher order and critical thinking skills by debating on current political, economic, social and environmental issues on a global scale.

## PARTICIPANTS

The tournament expects debate teams from the different public and private high schools in Baguio City and the other divisions in the Cordillera Administrative Region, as well as participating guest teams from high schools in the Ilocos Region.

Each team shall be composed of three debaters who shall be accompanied by their teacher-coach. And each participating school is allowed to enter a maximum of five teams.

## ADJUDICATORS

The debate adjudicators are experienced debaters from the UPCB Debate Team. If needed, experienced debaters from the other big universities in Baguio City will be tapped to adjudicate.

## AWARDS AND CERTIFICATES

All participants will be given certificates of participation. The top ten teams and top ten individual winners will be awarded medals and certificates of recognition. The top three debating teams and top three best speakers will also be awarded trophies. The winning coaches will likewise be awarded certificates of recognition.

## REGISTRATION FEE

A registration fee of Two Hundred Pesos (P200.00) will be collected from each participant to defray the expenses for debate kits, trophies, medals and certificates, and for the honoraria and meals of the adjudicators. **The board and lodging as well as the snacks and meals of the participants are to be taken care of by the participating schools.**

**FACILITATORS**

All activities relative to the conduct of the debate tournament shall be handled by the BCNHS Youth Debate Society and the BCNHS English teachers.

**PRE-TOURNAMENT SEMINAR**

A one-day pre-tournament seminar will be conducted for all interested/participating coaches on November 9, 2013. A seminar fee of Two Hundred Pesos (P200.00) will be collected from each participating coach to defray the expenses for one meal (lunch), two snacks (a.m. and p.m.), certificates of participation and honoraria of the speakers.

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**\*\*\*Interested schools are requested to inform any of the contact persons of their intention to participate on or before November 9, 2013.**

**DEBATE TOURNAMENT MATRIX:**

<b>November 29 (Friday)</b>		
<b>TIME</b>	<b>ACTIVITY</b>	<b>VENUE</b>
1:00pm-1:30 pm	Registration	Auditorium
1:30pm-2:00 pm	Opening Program	Auditorium
2:00pm-5:00 pm	General Orientation and Open Forum	Auditorium
<b>NOVEMBER 30, 2013 (Saturday)</b>		
7:30am-8:00 am	Convening Time	Auditorium
8:00am-10:00 am	Round 1 and Oral Adjudication	Classrooms
10:00-12:00 am	Round 2 and O.A.	Classrooms
12:00pm-1:00 pm	Lunch Break	
1:00pm-3:00 pm	Round 3 and O.A.	Classrooms
3:00pm-4:30 pm	Round 4 (Silent Round)	Classrooms
<b>DECEMBER 01, 2013 (Sunday)</b>		
7:30am-8:00 am	Convening Time/ Checking of attendance	Auditorium
8:00am-10:00 am	**Round 5 (Silent Round) **Number of preliminary rounds is subject to change depending on the number of participants.	Classrooms
10:00-12:00 pm	Octo Finals	Classrooms
12:00pm-1:00 pm	Lunch Break	
1:00pm-3:00 pm	Quarter Finals	Classrooms
3:00pm-4:30 pm	Semi Finals	Classrooms
4:30pm-6:00 pm	Loser 1 vs. Loser 2 --to determine the 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> runners-up (3 <sup>rd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> placers)	Auditorium
<b>DECEMBER 02, 2013(Monday)</b>		
7:30am-8:00 am	Convening Time	Auditorium
8:00am-8:30 am	Releasing of Motions and Preparation Time	
8:30am-10:00 am	Championship Round	
10:00-10:30 am	Awarding Ceremonies	