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City of Tagbilaran



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SPECIAL OLYMPICS WORKSHOP FOR CHILDREN WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY

TO: Education Program Supervisors
Public and Private Elementary and Secondary School Heads of Schools Offering Special Education

1. Per Letter from the Special Olympics Philippines dated June 6, 2017, this Office announces the forthcoming "Special Olympics Workshop" to be conducted by the Special Olympics Philippines, Manila, a world-wide organization offering year-round free sports training and competitions for individuals with intellectual disabilities on **July 8, 2017** at **Dr. Cecilio Putong National High School Gymnasium, City of Tagbilaran.**
2. The participants on this activity are the children, parents, teachers, and interested volunteers. In the morning, the children who will attend are those **aging 2-9 years old with or without Intellectual Disability** while in the afternoon are those **aging 10 years old and above with Intellectual Disability.**
3. In this connection, we will have a planning meeting on Thursday, **June 29, 2017** at the **Tagbilaran City Division Office Conference Hall at 3:00 P.M.**
4. For more details, please refer to the attached letter from the Special Olympics Philippines dated June 20, 2017.
5. For your information, guidance and compliance.


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BY: J. Tan DATE: 6/23/17

Dear Ma'am:

Greetings from Special Olympics Philippines!

Special Olympics, a world-wide organization offering year-round free sports training and competitions for individuals with intellectual disabilities. Through the power of sports, Special Olympics strive to create a better world by fostering the acceptance and inclusion of all people.

We would like to invite the special needs community in Bohol and Tagbilaran to know more about Special Olympics through a **Special Olympics Workshop on JULY 8TH, 2017, Saturday.**

The workshop would include:

Time	Activity	Participants	Venue needed
8am-12pm	-Special Olympics Philippines Overview -Introduction to the Special Olympics Young Athletes Program	100 Parents, teachers, interested volunteers, 100 children with and without I.D. (age 2-9). Students, siblings, or friends within the age range may join as this is an inclusive program.	For the 1 st session, we will need a venue with chairs, video and sound system. (ex: big classroom or auditorium) For the 2 nd venue, we need a covered venue with wide flat space where children can move freely and play (ex: covered gym)
1:30-5:30pm	-Special Olympics Philippines Overview -Introduction to Sports Training <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fitness Training • Soccer or basketball (choose 1) 	100 persons with I.D. (age 10-above) 100 Parents, teachers, interested volunteers,	Sports facility (either a covered gym or football field)

*Note that the student and parent participants from the morning session is different from the afternoon session since the former is for children age 2-9, and, the latter is for age 10 and above (no maximum age). Teachers and volunteers can attend both morning and afternoon sessions.

*I.D. = Intellectual Disability (persons with IQ 75 and below, persons on the Autism Spectrum, persons with Down Syndrome, persons with co-morbid intellectual and developmental disorders)

Special Olympics Young Athletes™ is a unique sport and play program for children with intellectual disabilities. The focus is on fun activities that are important to mental and physical growth. Children ages 2 to 9 enjoy games and activities that develop motor skills and hand-eye coordination. Young Athletes is an early introduction to sports and to the world of Special Olympics. The children learn new things, play and have lots of fun! Parents say their children in Young Athletes also develop better social skills. The confidence boost makes it easier for them to play and talk with other children on the playground and elsewhere.

The **Special Olympics Sports Training** is an introduction to Special Olympics sports and fitness, which includes discussion on Special Olympics rules and how to train athletes. This is the initial stage of forming a Special Olympics team, which we will aim to expand over time.

We would like to emphasize that Special Olympics is open for all. So, we would like request that you open this invitation to other interested participants outside of your school (public, private, and community-based), so more people can benefit from the Program. Your school may host this event or we can tap the local government and community organizations to support this. We will provide small snacks for participants.

Let me know your thoughts and concerns. We can also adjust the program based on the needs of the city. We hope to get a confirmation by Saturday, June 24, so we can book our flights while the rates are not extremely high yet. This is the 4th letter we have sent since March. Hope to hear from your office. My contact details are indicated below.

Thank you very much,



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