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MEMORANDUM

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Regional Directors

Schools Division Superintendents

Public and Private Secondary School Heads

All Other Concerned

FROM

ATTY./REVSEE A. ESCOBEDO

Undersecretary

Field Operations, Palarong Pambansa Secretariat, and DEACO

SUBJECT

REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE IN FACILITATING AND/OR EXPEDITING THE COORDINATION AND COLLECTION OF

FORM 137

DATE

February 26, 2021

This has reference to the Department of Science and Technology-Science Education Institution (DOST-SEI) Undergraduate Scholarship Program open to graduating senior high school students in both STEM and non-STEM track/strand.

The DOST-SEI proposes the use of grades covering specific periods of our senior high school students as proxy indicators, in lieu of conducting a qualifying examination due to the dangers of emerging new variants of the virus.

For this reason, this Office hereby requests the assistance of all concerned for expediting the coordination and collection of all the applicants' Form 137.

Enclosed are the details for your reference.

Your immediate action is requested.

Thank you very much.

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25 January 2021

SEGRETARY LEONOR M. BRIONES
Department of Education
Meralco Avenue, Pasig, 1605 Metro Manila

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Dear Secretary Briones:

This is in connection with the DOST-SEI S&T Undergraduate Scholarships being Implemented by the Department of Science and Technology-Science Education Institute (DOST-SEI).

The program is open to graduating senior high school students both at the STEM and Non-STEM track/strand. As part of the criteria of eligibility, applicants to the scholarship program are supposed to pass the qualifying examination.

The administration of the qualifying examination was scheduled in October 2020. However, due to the pandemic, it was postponed to a later date within the first semester of 2021. With the emerging variants of the virus, however, holding the examination is hardly possible considering the safety of both the examinees and testing personnel. As such, DOST-SEI is considering options other than administering an examination. The use of proxy indicators as practiced now by schools/universities in their admission process is being proposed to estimate the predicted performance of scholarship applicants. One of the proxy indicators identified are the grades of the applicants for the following period:

Grade	Grades Covered	
9	Average of first to fourth grading period	
10	Average of first to fourth grading period	
11	Average of first to second grading perio	d (first semester) note

Toldate, about 160,000 senior high school students filed their applications to the scholarship program. Getting the grades from this pool of applicants would require considerable time, effort, and resources.

In view of this, may we request the assistance of your good Office, particularly in the coordination and collection of the applicants' Form 137 from the DepEd high schools. The collection of grades of applicants enrolled in senior high school in the region will be done by our DOST Regional Offices while those enrolled in NGR will be collected by DOST-SEL. We have prepared a draft memorandum to the DepEd Division Superintendents for your consideration. The DOST-SEL shall process payment of expenses to be incurred in relation to this undertaking.

Ms. Anne Chiara Amponin of the DOST-SEI shall coordinate with your Office on this matter. Should you have further questions, she may be reached through e-mail address accomponin@gmail.com and mobile number 06176810126.

We will highly appreciate your kind assistance in this significant endeavor.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

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Secretary, DOST

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