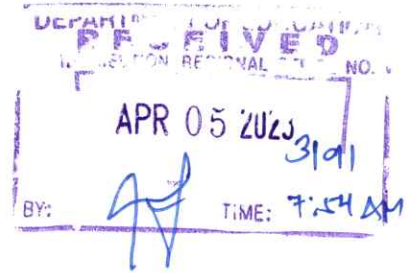




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**MEMORANDUM**



**TO :** **Minister, Basic, Higher, and Technical Education, BARMM**  
**Regional Directors**  
**Schools Division Superintendents**  
**Regional and Division Youth Formation Coordinators**  
**All Others Concerned**

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**SUBJECT :** **CALL FOR APPLICATIONS TO THE MICROSOFT YOUTH AMBASSADORS (MYA) 2.0 PROGRAM**

**DATE :** **17 March 2023**

The Office of the Undersecretary for Operations (OUOPS) through the Bureau of Learner Support Services–Youth Formation Division (BLSS–YFD), in partnership with Microsoft Philippines, calls for applications to the **Microsoft Youth Ambassadors (MYA) 2.0 Program**.

This program aims to:

- onboard empowered Filipino learners who will represent the Department of Education (DepEd) by promoting the innovative and responsible use of technology in the school and the community;
- provide learners with access to resources and a variety of opportunities to deepen their knowledge and practice their skills while supporting their curricular and co-curricular activities; and
- promote the importance of creating and maintaining a culture of digital citizenship that extends beyond the classroom and the school.

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All secondary grade level learners who are interested to apply to the said program shall fill out the application form **on** or **before April 14, 2023** through this link: <https://bit.ly/MYA-2023-Application-Form>.

Upskilling, mentoring, and coaching sessions will be initiated for learners who have graduated as one of the pioneering batch through the **MYA Fellow Program**. Interested learners shall register through this link: <https://bit.ly/MYA-Fellow-Program-2023-Application-Form>.

Provisions under DepEd Order No. 3, s. 2023, which states that the conduct of extra-curricular activities can be done after-school hours, shall be observed in relation to the conduct of this activity.

Furthermore, all School Heads, through their respective Information Communication Technology (ICT) Coordinator and Supreme Student Government (SSG) Teacher-Advisers, shall assist all interested learners to register, as well as in their entire journey in the said program. For more details about the program, kindly refer to **Annex A**.

For questions or clarifications, please contact **Mr. Rovin James F. Canja**, Officer-In-Charge, Project Development Officer IV of the BLSS-YFD, through email [blss.yfd@deped.gov.ph](mailto:blss.yfd@deped.gov.ph) or telephone number (02) 8637-9814.

For immediate dissemination and appropriate action.

## **Annex A.**

### **Microsoft Youth Ambassadors (MYA) 2.0**

#### **ABOUT THE PROGRAM**

The Microsoft Youth Ambassador is a pioneer program initiative of DepEd and Microsoft Philippines. It aims to enable Filipino learners to empower themselves and their fellow youth to thrive and excel in this technology-driven world. Furthermore, it aims to continue the legacy of the successful MYA pioneers.

**Vision:** An empowered Filipino student population who employ globally competitive skills and embodies the ideals of being value-driven, career-oriented, culturally rooted and socially responsible

**Mission:** Create a pro-active and empowered community of Filipino learners who champion the use and adoption of technology to fellow students in the Philippines.

#### **A. Benefits of the MYA 2.0 Program**

- a. **Skill development:** Technology is an ever-evolving field, and Microsoft can help young people develop essential tech skills through workshops, training sessions, and hands-on experiences. This can increase their employability and prepare them for future careers.
- b. **Access to resources:** Microsoft can provide access to resources such as content via Microsoft Learn, training and resource materials related to the use of technology tools, which may be out of reach for some young individuals.
- c. **Networking opportunities:** Microsoft can provide opportunities for young people to connect with industry professionals, mentors, and Microsoft employees. This can lead to internships, job opportunities, and collaborations.

The participants to the program are expected to:

1. become learner representatives and be involved in national and international events led / participated by the BLSS-YFD and Microsoft;
2. join the exclusive network of youth ambassadors advocating youth empowerment through technology;
3. get exclusive mentoring and training sessions on societal (e.g., leadership, communication, etc.) and technical and innovation skills.
4. join training programs that lead to badging and certifications;
5. have the opportunity for regional and national recognitions; and
6. receive limited-edition MYA 2.0 merchandise.

#### **B. Qualifications**

Interested learners to participate in the program must:

1. be a *bona fide* learner in secondary grade levels from all schools nationwide;
2. have an active Microsoft 365 account (learners with no Microsoft 365 accounts may contact their school ICT coordinator);
3. be open to learn as well as cascade the same training to their classmates and peers;

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4. be up for the challenge to develop leadership, communication, and interpersonal skills;
5. have some knowledge on how to use Windows 10/11 devices (desktop or laptop);
6. have some knowledge on how to use Microsoft 365 (Teams, Word, Excel, and PowerPoint); and
7. be familiar with and be willing to learn Minecraft Education.

### **C. Application Process**

1. DepEd learners who are interested in applying to the said program shall fill out the form which can be accessed through this link: <https://bit.ly/MYA-2023-Application-Form>.
2. Application period runs from the date of the release of the memorandum until **Friday, April 14, 2023**.
3. Kindly note that the schedule of activities and the content for the topics to be discussed will be finalized by the organizing team. It shall be cascaded along with the final list of successful applicants on a separate memorandum.