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TO : **Regional Directors**
Schools Division Superintendents
Regional CLMD and HRDD Chiefs
Division EPS-ECED and HRTD-SEPS

FROM : **WILFREDO E. CABRAL**
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SUBJECT : **CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR THE GRADUATE CERTIFICATE PROGRAM IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION**

DATE : 25 November 2024

1. To address the professional development needs of teachers in Early Childhood Education (ECE), the Department of Education partnered with the Philippine Normal University to provide a scholarship program titled *Graduate Certificate in Early Childhood Education* to ECE teachers, and hereby issues the **Call for Applications** for the same.
2. The scholarship program has the following specific objectives:
 - a. Produce a pool of formally trained ECE teachers who are not graduates of Early Childhood Care and Development baccalaureate degree/major;
 - b. Ensure effective delivery and facilitation of ECE from Kindergarten to Grade 3 (K-3); and
 - c. Provide career advancement opportunities for K-3 teachers which they can use as a pathway for Master's Degree or further studies.

3. Pertinent program details are as follows:

Program Title	Graduate Certificate in Early Childhood Education
Partner University	Philippine Normal University (PNU)
Target Scholars	K-3 Teachers who are not graduates/specialists of Early Childhood Education
No. of Slots per Region	Two-three (2-3)

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Program Delivery Design	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follows the micro-credentialing route that PNU offers through the College of Alternative and Lifelong Learning (CALL) <i>(in micro-credentialing, students are required to complete the activities in a course training module to earn the course units)</i> Based on the <i>Engage, Practice, Consolidate – Target, Raise, Act, Improve, Nurture (EPC-TRAIN) Training Framework</i> Scholars are monitored, observed, and mentored by their immediate superiors/supervisors in the application of their learnings in the workplace
Duration	Six-seven (6-7) months
Modality	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Through ePNU, a Moodle-based learning platform For synchronous sessions, faculty and students may utilize Google Meet/Zoom or any platforms where online classes may be conducted
Eligibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> With at least 2 years of teaching experience in DepEd Must be 50 years of age and below Currently not enrolled in other schools/ institutes/ colleges/ universities Must be computer literate and has access to a stable internet connection <i>(at least 15 mbps)</i> to participate in online classes Must have completed all previous scholarships and no pending nomination for any scholarship Must have no pending administrative and/or criminal case Must be <u>physically and mentally fit</u>
Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter of Intent (LOI) <i>(See template through the link https://tinyurl.com/5n85ut27)</i> Accomplished Online Application Form via https://forms.office.com/r/DSfSrGR4gs
Additional Reminders and Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Acceptance and entry to the program are subject to the existing rules and regulations prescribed by PNU Prospective scholars must pass the Graduate College Admission Test (GCAT) and submit all entry requirements before enrollment in the program Successful applicants should submit the required entry credentials to ensure seamless processing of documents upon submission Original Transcript of Records (TOR) with remarks <i>"Copy for PNU"</i> from the last school the scholar attended Original Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA)-issued Marriage Certificate for married female scholars if the TOR bears their maiden name Two (2) copies of 2x2 latest ID picture Certificate of GWA/GPA <i>(Certified True Copy only for PNU alumna/alumnus)</i> Omnibus Sworn Statement <i>(See template through the link https://tinyurl.com/5n85ut27)</i> Scholarship Contract <i>(See template through the link https://tinyurl.com/5n85ut27)</i> Workplace Application (WAP) Proposal <i>(See template through the link https://tinyurl.com/5n85ut27; can be accomplished in the duration of the program)</i>
Deadline of Application	06 December 2024

4. Documentary requirements specified in the checklist shall be checked by the School Head and consolidated by the HRTD-SEPS.

5. Please,note that applications may be disqualified due to various reasons, such as but not limited to, incomplete requirements, lack of official endorsement/s, direct sending of requirements to the Secretariat's email, discrepancies in documents, etc.
6. NEAP further reiterates that the established qualifications and selection parameters for its scholarship programs are in adherence to the Equal Opportunity Principle (EOP).
7. Should you have questions or concerns, please coordinate with **NEAP Scholarship Secretariat** through email scholarships@deped.gov.ph and/or landline (02) 8715-9919.
8. For dissemination and appropriate action.

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