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The Pro Deo et Patria Award 2018 and The Catholic School Heroes Award 2018

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TO: CEAP SCHOOL HEADS AND SUPERINTENDENTS/CEAP AFFILIATES

RE: NOMINATION FOR THE PRO DEO ET PATRIA AWARD 2018 *and* CATHOLIC SCHOOL HEROES AWARD 2018

Greetings from the CEAP!

This is to inform you that the National Board of the Catholic Educational Association of the Philippines (CEAP) through the Membership and Awards Committee has opened the nomination for the ***Pro Deo et Patria Award 2018 and 1st Catholic School Heroes Award 2018.***

The ***Pro Deo et Patria*** is the highest award given by the Association to deserving individual/s who manifests an exemplary attitude of love for God and country and his/her faithfulness to Catholic teachings as part of service to God. The awardee must be seen as a model of Christ the Teacher. Past recipients of this award are the late Manila Archbishop Jaime Cardinal Sin, the late President Corazon C. Aquino (posthumously), Cebu Archbishop Ricardo Cardinal Vidal (Cebu 2010), Fr. Anscar J. Chupungco, OSB (posthumously, Cebu 2013), Fr. Catalino G. Arevalo, SJ, Abp. Leonardo Z. Legaspi, D.D. O.P.(Davao 2014), Dr. Lourdes S. Quisumbing (Manila 2015), Amb. Henrietta De Villa, Cardinal Rosales, D.D. (Cebu 2016), and Sr. Amelia G. David, ICM (Davao 2017). They were chosen by the members of the board from nominees recommended by member institutions, superintendents or Regional Councils.

The ***Catholic School Heroes Award*** is an award that recognizes the perseverance, dedication and loyalty of individuals in CEAP member schools that really contributed to the development of their individual school communities and have been in service for 10 years or more. This is for the promotion of solidarity and unity of action among the member institutions towards fulfilling the evangelizing mission of the Church in Education recognizing the dedication of individuals in its member institutions who continuously promote quality and transformative Catholic Education.

Attached please find the mechanics and guidelines for your information and guidance. May I request that you send your nominees with the supporting documents to the CEAP National Office **before May 30, 2018 at Number 7, Road 16, Brgy Bagong Pag-asa, Quezon City.** You may also call **Mr. Jose Allan I. Arellano, Executive Director of CEAP** for inquiries through the following numbers; (02) 9266273/telefax (02) 4262670 or email at info@ceap.org.ph.

Once again, thank you so much for your usual support to the CEAP!

Truly yours,

S. MA. MARISSA R. VIRI, RVM
Chair, Membership and Awards Committee

Noted:

FR. JOEL E. TABORA, SJ
CEAP President

PRO DEO ET PATRIA AWARD

I. Nature and Description

The **Catholic Educational Association of the Philippines (CEAP)**, committed to promote democracy, concern and respect for human dignity, recognizes the noble and significant contributions of the lay and consecrated people to education, through the **highest award** that it confers known as **Pro Deo et Patria Award (for God and Country)**. CEAP acknowledges the internal and external manifestation of the awardees love for God and country and his/her faithfulness to Catholic teachings as part of service to God. **The awardee must be seen as a model of Christ the Teacher.**

Past recipients of this award are the late Manila Archbishop Jaime Cardinal Sin, the late President Corazon C. Aquino (posthumously, 2009) and Cebu Archbishop Ricardo Cardinal Vidal (Cebu 2010), Fr. Anscar J. Chupungco, OSB (posthumously, Cebu 2013), Fr. Catalino G. Arevalo, SJ (Cebu 2013), Abp. Leonardo Z. Legaspi (posthumously, Davao 2014), Dr. Lourdes R. Quisumbing (Manila 2015), Amb. Henrietta De Villa and Most Rev. Gaudencio B. Rosales, D.D. (Cebu, 2016), and Sr. Amelia G. David, ICM (Davao, 2017). They were chosen by the members of the board from nominees recommended by member institutions or Regional Councils.

II. The Award

1. The awardee will receive an *Icon of Christ the Teacher* and a plaque during the Closing Program of the 2018 CEAP National Convention **on October 3, 2018 at the SMX Convention Center, Pasay City**. No monetary award will be given to the awardee.
2. The accomplishments of the Pro Deo et Patria awardee would be included in the CEAP Bulletin and other publications that would be released by the association. An audio-visual presentation (AVP) featuring these achievements would be shown during to the awarding.

III. Criteria

A. Service to God

1. The awardee must have significantly contributed in the promotion of Catholic values in the country through his/her advocacy, initiation of and/or participation in specific projects, activities or programs.
 - a. These projects/advocacies must have been clearly demonstrated and proven to have positively affected Philippine society or the specific communities where these were initiated. These should be stable, sustainable and capable of being replicated; or
 - b. These projects/advocacies must have ushered in new ways to promote Catholic education so that many people may be influenced to consciously explore innovative and creative avenues to uphold transformative education and improvement in the larger educational system in general.
2. The awardee must be of high moral and spiritual integrity, whose faith can be emulated and promoted as worthy of emulation.

B. Service to the Country

1. The awardee must also be involved in socio-civic work which aims to improve the lives of others. This shows that there is a check in the promotion of a well-rounded being. A solid contribution to the JEEPGY pillar programs of CEAP is a preference.
2. The awardee must be a leader in his/her field but need not be a person of immense power or stature. His/her leadership status shows that s/he does not just do what s/he does for the sake of doing it but that s/he wants to lead and mobilize others to realize their objectives, clearly a better way of bringing in encouraging change.

IV. Guidelines

1. The candidate must have been nominated by a member-school, Regional Trustee or any member of the Board through the Membership and Awards Committee, before **May 21, 2018**.
2. The advocates for the candidates must furnish documents to the Membership and Awards Committee whose members will deliberate and prepare its recommendation to the National Board.
3. The Membership and Awards Committee will convene for a special meeting upon receipt of written nominations before the *2nd quarter Board Meeting*. A **2/3** vote from the members of the Committee would warrant endorsement to the CEAP National Board.
4. The National Board will deliberate and/or approve the recommendation of the Membership and Awards Committee. The awardee must have received **2/3** votes of all the members and a resolution from the National Board before the 2018 National Convention for the award to be granted.
5. The National Board will no longer accommodate a nominee whose name has been submitted to the Board three times. All deliberations on this award are strictly confidential.
6. If no nominees have been submitted before **May 21, 2018**, the CEAP Board may not confer the award for this year.