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FILM-SHOWING OF "YOLO:YOU ONLY LIVE ONCE"

With reference to the letter from Melissa D. Dayag, Sales Marketing, regarding its educational film-showing program featuring the films YOLO: You Only Live Once, and Utoy Story.

The films aim to provide learners with an engaging and meaningful educational experience through film, while promoting awareness and understanding of important issues such as bullying, friendship, family, relationships, empathy, respect, and emotional well-being.

Kindly refer to the attached letter for more details regarding the activity.

Furthermore, those interested in participating are reminded of the following conditions:

- a. The Schools Division Office shall be informed, in writing, of the school's participation in the said activity;
- b. Participation shall be strictly voluntary and shall not be made compulsory for any learner, teacher, or school;
- c. Any expenses to be incurred shall be shouldered personally by the participants or sourced from a legitimate local government unit (LGU), donor, or other lawful funding source, subject to existing DepEd policies; and
- d. Strictly comply with the instructional block provisions stipulated in DepEd Order No. 009, s. 2026, titled *Guidelines on the Implementation of the Three-Term School Calendar in Basic Education*, and DepEd Order No. 009, s. 2005, titled *Instituting Measures on Increase Engaged Time-on-Task*.

For information of all concerned.

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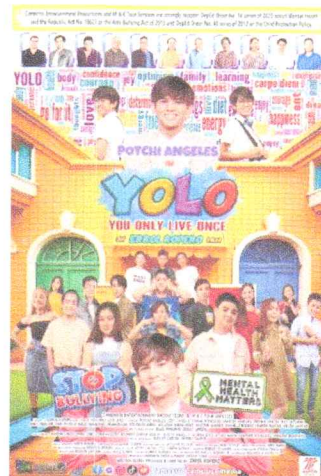
Dear Madamme:

Warm greetings!

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A Film can be an effective educational tool because it allows learners to understand important values and real-life situations through stories that are engaging and relatable. In line with this, we respectfully endorse a film showing activity for **Kindergarten to Senior High School learners in Batangas**, providing students with an opportunity to enjoy a meaningful film while gaining lessons that can contribute to their personal, social, and emotional development.

The selected film, *YOLO: You Only Live Once*, follows three students—Patrick, Danilo, and Tiffany—whose friendship develops despite their different backgrounds and personal struggles. The story explores **bullying, family relationships, friendship, empathy, respect, and emotional well-being**, showing how students can support one another and find the courage to respond to challenges.



YOLO: You Only Live Once Film Poster

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE FILM

The film features meaningful themes and situations that are relevant to students, including:

- **Friendship and camaraderie** – Shows how genuine friendship can provide comfort, strength, and support during difficult times.
- **Bullying awareness** – Presents the effects of bullying and encourages students to recognize and respond to harmful behavior.
- **Family relationships** – Highlights how family support, attention, and communication can influence a young person's emotional well-being.

- **Empathy and understanding** – Encourages learners to look beyond a person's behavior and understand the struggles they may be experiencing.
- **Courage to speak up** – Promotes the importance of standing against bullying and supporting those who are being mistreated.
- **Respect for others** – Reinforces the value of treating classmates and other members of the community with dignity and kindness.
- **Positive peer influence** – Demonstrates how friends can encourage one another to make responsible and positive choices.
- **School community involvement** – Shows that creating a safe learning environment is a shared responsibility among students, teachers, and parents.
- **Values formation** – Encourages learners to practice kindness, responsibility, cooperation, and compassion in their everyday lives.

GOOD EFFECTS AND EDUCATIONAL VALUE OF THE FILM

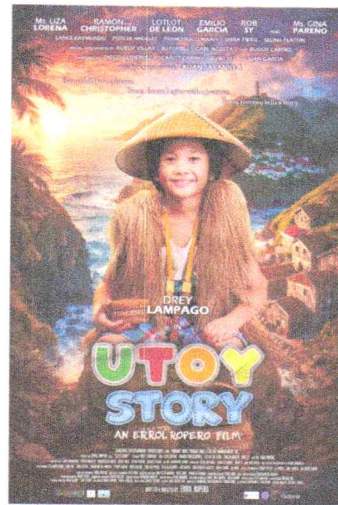
YOLO: You Only Live Once can have a positive effect on learners by helping them recognize how their words, actions, and treatment of others can affect someone's emotional well-being. The film can encourage students to become more understanding of classmates who may be experiencing personal or family difficulties.

- For **Kindergarten and elementary learners**, the film can reinforce basic values such as kindness, friendship, respect, sharing, and seeking help from trusted adults when they encounter situations that make them uncomfortable or unsafe.
- For **Junior and Senior High School learners**, the film can provide a deeper understanding of bullying, peer relationships, family concerns, emotional struggles, responsible decision-making, and the importance of speaking up when witnessing inappropriate behavior.

The film also creates an opportunity for students to reflect on their own behavior and relationships. Through a guided post-viewing discussion, learners can identify positive actions they can take to prevent bullying, support their peers, communicate respectfully, and contribute to a more welcoming school environment.

In view of its educational and values-oriented themes, *YOLO: You Only Live Once* is respectfully endorsed as a film for an educational viewing activity for **Kindergarten to Senior High School learners in Batangas**. Beyond entertainment, the film offers meaningful lessons that can strengthen students' awareness of empathy, friendship, respect, responsibility, and the importance of maintaining a safe and supportive learning environment.

The film follows five children who experience poverty and different hardships but continue to choose kindness and help others. At the center of the story is Hannah, a young learner who dreams of becoming a teacher and helping children who cannot attend school. Together with her friends, she demonstrates how courage, compassion, and simple acts of goodness can create positive change despite difficult circumstances.



Utoy Story Film Poster

In support of activities that promote meaningful learning experiences beyond the classroom, we respectfully present **Utoy Story** as an additional film for the proposed educational film showing activity for **Kindergarten to Senior High School learners in Batangas**. The film follows the journey of Utoy, a seven-year-old boy who faces difficult circumstances while caring for his grandmother and holding on to his dream of going to school.

While the film presents the challenges faced by a young child, **Utoy Story** complements these themes by highlighting **kindness, compassion, resilience, education, family values, responsibility, inclusion, and social responsibility**. Through Utoy's experiences, young viewers are encouraged to appreciate the opportunities they have, understand the struggles of others, and recognize that even simple acts of kindness can make a meaningful difference.

Highlights of the Film

- **Resilience and perseverance** – Utoy continues to face life's challenges with courage and determination.
- **Love for family** – His care and devotion toward his grandmother emphasize the importance of family relationships.
- **Value of education** – Utoy's dream of attending school demonstrates the importance of learning and the opportunities education can provide.
- **Kindness and compassion** – His interactions with tourists, friends, and strangers show how kindness can positively influence others.
- **Responsibility and generosity** – Despite his young age, Utoy demonstrates concern for his family and willingness to help others.
- **Hope and faith** – The story encourages young viewers to continue believing in their dreams despite difficult circumstances.

Positive Effects on Young Viewers

The film can help develop **empathy, compassion, respect, and social awareness** among young learners. It may encourage children to value their families, respect their elders, appreciate education, and become more understanding of people who experience difficulties.

Furthermore, Utoy's story demonstrates that **being young does not prevent someone from making a positive difference**. His character can inspire children to practice kindness, take responsibility, help others, and remain hopeful when facing challenges.

For these reasons, **Utoy Story** is respectfully recommended as a **wholesome, educational, and values-oriented film** suitable for young learners. Its meaningful storyline can provide entertainment while reinforcing important lessons that children can apply in their everyday lives.

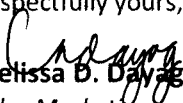
While *YOLO* encourages learners to understand bullying, friendship, family relationships, and the importance of creating a safe and supportive environment, *Utoy Story* further emphasizes the value of compassion, education, perseverance, and helping others despite life's challenges.

In connection with the proposed educational film showing activity, Utoy Story is respectfully recommended as a meaningful film for Kindergarten to Senior High School learners. The film offers age-appropriate and inspiring lessons that encourage the development of kindness, empathy, family values, courage, perseverance, responsibility, respect, and hope among young viewers.

The inclusion of both films can provide learners with a well-rounded viewing experience that goes beyond entertainment. Through their different stories and themes, the films can encourage students to reflect on their actions, appreciate the people around them, and recognize their capacity to create positive change through simple acts of kindness.

Respectfully endorsed as a complementary film for educational, developmental, and values-formation purposes.

Respectfully yours,


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