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TO: All Chairpersons of Working Committee for Dark Green School Accreditation All Department Units/Offices/Centers

RE: Dark-Green School Program Accreditation

Please be informed that the accreditation of VSU as one of the pilot schools for the Dark-Green School (DGS) Program is set on August 27- 29, 2008. The accreditation is done by the Environmental Education Network of the Philippines, Inc. to assess VSU's deep commitment to the actualization of environmental education. It will determine the "Level of Greenness" based on the premise that DGS is a school that:

- delivers Environmental Education through assimilation of the environmental philosophy by the students day in and day out in formal lessons as well as from activities outside the classroom.
- · is clean and neat. There is evidence of good management and housekeeping.
- calls for green spaces, appropriate land use planning, conservation, of materials and energy, proper waste management, segregation, use of appropriate materials and avoidance of harmful ones and respect others' right to smoke-free air.
- calls for management policies and guidelines that would effect a healthful ecological campus.
- reaches out to its outside community to spread concern for the Mother Earth facilitate projects that improve the environment
- engages in research that add knowledge in the ways of Nature and the impact on her from human activities.

In this regard, all department units are requested to make the necessary preparations which may include provision of garbage bins, cleanliness and maintenance of comfort room, environmental signages/notices, etc.

Moreover, the Committee Chairpersons of the Working Committees for the Dark-Green School Program Accreditation are requested to meet their respective committee members to help facilitate the consolidation of documents and conduct the initial self-assessment. Attached is the suggested time table to ensure a successful and organized conduct of the activity.

Your usual cooperation is highly requested.

President

## Timetable for DGS Program Accreditation of VSU

Activity	Target Date	Responsible Persons
Deadline for all documents for all key component areas for the accreditation	July 25, 2008	Component Areas Committee Chairperson and Members
First Self- Assessment for all component areas	August 1, 2008	Component Areas Committee Chairperson and Members
Consolidation and collection of additional or lacking documents	August 4 – August 20, 2008	Component Areas Committee Chairperson and Members
Final Self-Assessment	August 21-22	
Accreditation	August 27-29, 2008	