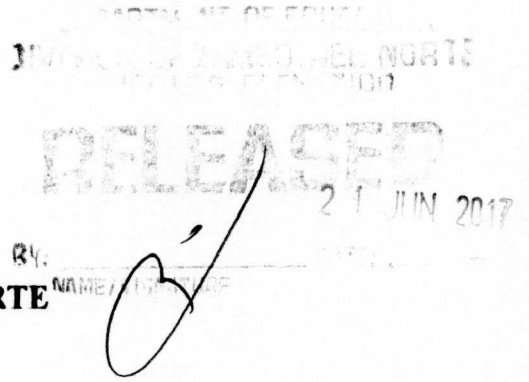




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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
Region IX, Zamboanga Peninsula
DIVISION OF ZAMBOANGA DEL NORTE
Dipolog City 7100



DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. 146, s. 2017

To: **Education Program Supervisors**
District Supervisors
Elementary & Secondary School Heads
Coordinators in English (Elementary & Secondary)
English Teachers (Elem. & Sec.)

From: **NATIVIDAD P. BAYUBAY, CESO VI**
Officer-in-Charge
Office of the Schools Division Superintendent

Subject: **2017-2018 ENGLISH FESTIVAL.**

Date: June 19, 2017

1. This office is pleased to announce the 2017-2018 English Festival for the elementary and secondary levels with the theme, "Embracing K to 12 vis-à-vis Effective Communication Skills in the 21st Century" will be conducted on the last week of August 2017 and on the first and second weeks of September, 2017.

2. All the elementary school pupils in the 37 districts as well as all the junior and senior high school students including all the small high schools are enjoined to participate in this festival which aims to:

- a. enhance the artistic and creative talents as well as the higher order thinking skills of the learners,
- b. develop the 5 macro skills,
- c. improve the learners' ability to deliver a well-organized piece for oral presentation,
- d. demonstrate awareness and knowledge of literary genres.
- e. Enable the teacher to integrate Music, Physical Education, Arts and Values in Communication Arts activities.
- f. Give equal chances to all learners to participate and to compete, not just mere spectators (do not train same pupil every year, but try to discover other potentials)

- g. Enable all English teachers to enliven their English classes by doing all the activities stipulated in the *ilove2read* reading program (elem) as well as in the CARE & SHARE reading program (secondary) and
- h. Encourage all English teachers to train their pupils

3. The schedule for the lower level competitions are as follows:

- SCHOOL LEVEL (all schools in the 3 congressional districts are expected to conduct simultaneously; all the learners (elem./sec.) are expected to join as contestants)
 - Congressional District I (Elem. & Sec.) Fourth week of August 2017
 - Congressional District II (Elem. & Sec.) First week of September 2017
 - Congressional District III (Elem. & Sec.) 2nd week of September 2017
- DISTRICT LEVEL (District Head decides – probably on the fourth week of August 2017; contestants are all the winners in the school level for elementary; NO district level for secondary)
- CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT LEVEL (Contestants are all the winners in the school level of the Secondary Level- all the contestants are all the FIRST PLACERS in the school level)

ELEMENTARY/DISTRICT LEVEL

Schedule

- CD1 - Last week of August 2017
Host/Venue/Date: District Head Decides
- CD2 - First week of September 2017
Host/Venue/Date: District Head Decides
- CD3 - Second Week of September 2017
Host/Venue/Date: District Head Decides

SECONDARY/CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT LEVEL

Schedule

(Junior & Senior HS)

- CD1 - Last week of August 2017
Host: Mutia NHS (c/o Mr. Ranulfo Arcos, P-I)
Date: School Head & Officers of CDOETs Decide
- CD2 - First week of September 2017
Host: Sindangan NHS (c/o Noralyn Sabanal – P-I)
Date: School Head & Officers of CDOETs Decide
- CD3 - Second Week of September 2017
Host: Kipit Agro Fishery HS (c/o Roldan Calapiz-P-I)
Date: School Head & Officers of CDOETs Decide

4. The FIRST PLACERS each category in the Elementary School Level shall be the official contestants in the District Level Competition. Only one contestant shall occupy a place in the ranking. Hence, the judges are requested to break ties. While for the secondary level, the FIRST PLACERS of each category shall be the official contestants in the CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT LEVEL.

5. PROPS are NOT INCLUDED in the criteria, therefore these don't deserve points. Besides an orientation for the chosen judges must be conducted before the contest. If possible

communication arts teachers must be hired as judges. A contestant is allowed in two (2) categories only. Refer to the enclosure for some reminders and updates

6. Hiring of choreographers and trainers other than the teachers of the participating schools is STRICTLY PROHIBITED. Violation to this, is a ground for DISQUALIFICATION in the District and Congressional levels.

7. The official results with the list of coaches, contestants and the participating schools in the Congressional Level (Secondary) and District Level (Elementary) ranked accordingly shall be submitted to the Division Office IMMEDIATELY after the competition. It is advised that the next year's HOST shall be decided in the Congressional and District Levels and be submitted to the Division Office together with the official results.

8. This activity is FREE OF CHARGE (No Registration Fee will be collected). Participation of teachers designated as coaches and trainers shall be subject to the No-disruption-of-classes policy as stipulated in DepEd Order No. 9, s. 2015 entitled, "Instituting Measures to Increase Engaged Time-On-Task and Ensuring Compliance Therewith". Initiatives for make-up classes are very much appreciated.

9. Travelling and other incidental expenses of participants anent this competition in all grade levels shall be charged against the local/school funds subject to the usual accounting, auditing rules and regulations.

10. Immediate and widest dissemination of this memorandum is desired.