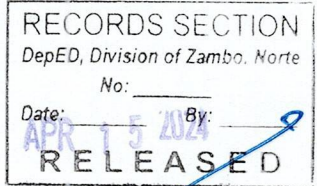




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REGION IX
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF ZAMBOANGA DEL NORTE



Office of the Schools Division Superintendent

April 12, 2024

Division Memorandum
No. 222, s. 2024

DIVISION SPECIAL NEEDS EDUCATION (SNED) EXPO

TO: Division SNED Management Team
Cluster SNED Management Team
Coaches/District Coordinators
All Others Concerned

1. In consonance with the MATATAG agenda to take good care of the learners by promoting learner well-being, inclusive education, and a positive learning environment and with the issuance of DM 19, series of 2024 and Division Memo No. 216, s. 2024 on the conduct of the National Festival of Talents and 2024 Division Festival of Talents respectively, this division announces the schedule of the Division Festival of Talents for Special Needs Education Expo on April 29-30, 2024 at Liloy National High School with the theme "Galing, Talino, at Husay ng mga Batang Makabansa sa Diwa ng MATATAG na Adhika".
2. Following with the guidelines in the NFOT, there will be two (2) contest categories for this year to be participated by the Learners with Disability (LWD), namely; **Story Telling in Filipino Sign Language** (for the deaf) **and Braille Reading (Unified English Braille)** (for the blind). These competitions are intended for the Key Stage 3 who are Grades 7 to 10 learners. Event rules and mechanics of the competition are herein attached.
3. The district and cluster heads are advised to make the necessary planning on the conduct of the district and cluster levels prior to the conduct at the division level. In this way, only six (6) participants are expected to represent each cluster in every contest category in the division level.
4. Travelling expenses of the participants, coaches and contest judges are chargeable against the MOOE/local funds subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.
5. For the information and compliance of all concerned.

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Encl: As stated
DM 19, s. 2024
Division Memo No. 216, s. 2024

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Event Rules and Mechanics

- A. Each cluster shall have one (1) participant (deaf) for Filipino Sign Language and one (1) participant (blind) for Braille Reading.
 *the participant with the highest score shall automatically represent the division in the RFOT. In case of tie, the judges shall decide on this matter.
- B. The story to be interpreted shall be provided by the SNED Division Management Team aligned with the 2024 NFOT theme.
 *The contest piece shall be given to the contestants during the actual event.
 *Each contestant shall be given a 10-minute preparation prior to the actual contest performance.
 *The order of performance shall be identified through draw by lots with the coaches.
- C. The showcase is open from Grade 7 to 10 deaf and blind learners who are officially enrolled.
- D. Each cluster is given 7-minute presentation/showcase.
- E. The following sequence shall be strictly observed.
 *presentation of participant information (Name of Learner, Grade Level and School)
 *reading proper (story shall be projected in a wide screen (deaf) and braille copy of the story (blind) shall be distributed to the participants in holding area prior to the actual performance.
 *at the end of the performance, moral lesson of the story should be emphasized.
- F. only participants shall be allowed in the designated holding area one hour before the event.
- G. Coaches are hereby advised to bring their own slate and stylus
- H. there will be three (3) judges for Storytelling in Filipino Sign Language (FSL) and three (3) judges for Storytelling in Braille Reading.
- I. Judging of winners shall be based on DO 36, s. 2016 (Awards and Recognition) the following awards shall be given:

I. Criteria for Storytelling in Filipino Sign Language (FSL)	
Categories	Scores
1. Gold (Exemptional)	16-20
2. Silver (Proficient)	11-15
3. Bronze (Developing)	6-10
4. Certificate of Participation	1-5
II. Criteria for Storytelling in Braille Reading	
1. Gold (Exemptional)	25-32
2. Silver (Proficient)	17-24
3. Bronze (Developing)	9-16
4. Certificate of Participation	1-8



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The same criteria shall be followed in the district and cluster competition. The participant with the highest score shall automatically represent the cluster in the DFOT. In case of tie, the judges shall decide on this matter.

J. Certificates of Recognition and Participation shall be awarded to the participants and coaches.

K. Participants and coaches are expected to practice utmost honesty and camaraderie. Any form of dishonesty exhibited shall be a ground for disqualification.

L. The contest piece is in English Language.



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