



Republic of the Philippines  
**Department of Education**  
REGION VIII - EASTERN VISAYAS

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**REGIONAL MEMORANDUM**

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**EVALUATION AND SELECTION OF THE BEST REGIONAL SCHOOL PAPERS**

To: Schools Division Superintendents  
All Others Concerned

1. In preparation for the conduct of the 2024 National Schools Press Conference (NSPC) in July, which will also include the selection of the country's best school papers, this Office will be evaluating and selecting the Region's top ten school papers in six categories for English and Filipino on April 15-17, 2024 at the CLMD-LRMS Building, DepEd Regional Office VIII, Government Center, Candahug, Palo, Leyte.
2. As stipulated in the Proposed 2024 NSPC Guidelines for the School Paper Contest, the selection shall cover both elementary and high school-level school papers in the following categories:

ENGLISH	FILIPINO
News Section	Balitang Pahina
Editorial Section	Pahinang Editoryal
Features Section	Pahinang Lathalain
Sports Section	Pahinang Pampalakasan
Science and Technology Section	Pahinang Agham at Teknolohiya
Layout and Page Design Category	Kategoryang Pag-aanyo at Disenyo ng Pahina

3. The qualified entries to these contests are the Top Five Division School Papers in every category, duly certified to be widely circulated, properly screened for plagiarism, and endorsed by the Schools Division Superintendent. The entries must be submitted in PDF format through [clmd.region8@deped.gov.ph](mailto:clmd.region8@deped.gov.ph), the Regional Campus Journalism Group Chat, or a flash drive by 12:00 p.m. [noon] on April 12, 2024.
4. Out of the said entries, the Regional Office shall select the top ten school papers per category and medium, depending on the actual number of entries that meet the criteria set in the national guidelines.
5. The schools and school paper advisers with winning entries shall each receive certificates of recognition. Should there be more than one school paper adviser listed in the publication, only the first school paper adviser mentioned shall receive the certificate.

6. Since school paper advisers are not identified as participants in the NSPC, the Division Campus Journalism Supervisor or any other official participant from the Division may receive the recognition should the paper also win at the national level.

7. All expenses, including meals and honoraria of judges, which will be incurred during the three-day activity shall be charged against the downloaded Development and Promotion of Campus Journalism (DPCJ) Program Support Funds (PSF) under SARO No. OSEC-8-23-2716 dated June 6, 2023, subject to the existing accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

8. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum are desired.

  
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Enclosures: None

References: As stated

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index under the following subjects:

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