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TO : **ALL REGIONAL DIRECTORS
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FROM : **MALCOLM S. GARMA**
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SUBJECT : **CONDUCT OF THE 2026 TEN OUTSTANDING GURO AWARDS
(TOGA) AND ADVOCACY TALKS OF THE JUNIOR CHAMBER
INTERNATIONAL (JCI) MANILA**

DATE : November 04, 2025



The Junior Chamber International (JCI) Manila, in partnership with the Department of Education, announces the implementation of the Ten Outstanding Guro Awards (TOGA) 2026 Advocacy Talks. JCI Manila, Asia's first and premier leadership development organization, brings together young professionals, entrepreneurs, and civic advocates committed to creating positive change in communities. Through TOGA, JCI Manila seeks to recognize and empower public school teachers who have dedicated their lives to shaping the future of the nation.

As part of the TOGA 2026 program, JCI Manila will conduct Advocacy Talks from January to June 2026, which will serve as a prerequisite for teachers to qualify for the TOGA 2026. Each session will run for approximately two hours and will feature three (3) advocacy topics. The program may be integrated into existing professional development initiatives at the school or division level.

Sessions will be conducted face-to-face within Metro Manila, accommodating up to 100 participants per session. For schools located outside Metro Manila, JCI Manila will offer the program virtually.

The advocacy talks are designed to promote both professional growth and personal empowerment, covering the following key topics:

- **Financial Literacy:** How to Save and Earn More
- **Health Protection:** How to Live Healthy and Happy
- **AI Tools for Productivity:** How to Be Productive with AI



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- **Purpose with Passion:** How to Be Motivated in Achieving Your Goals
- **Coaching for Teachers:** How to Be a Coach and a Teacher

All Schools Division Offices (SDOs) nationwide are requested to extend full support to the JCI Manila team in disseminating information and **facilitating** the conduct of the program.

Regional Offices, Schools Division Offices, and Schools are encouraged to coordinate directly with JCI Manila through the designated focal persons to schedule the implementation of the program. Kindly ensure that a copy of the communication is furnished to external.partnerships@deped.gov.ph for proper documentation and monitoring.

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Thank you.