



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

January 15, 2026

REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

No. **79** s. 2026

**CONDUCT OF THE ON-SITE NATIONAL JUDGING FOR THE BEST
IMPLEMENTING SCHOOL COMPETITIONS UNDER THE
NESTLÉ WELLNESS CAMPUS PROGRAM (NWCP)
AND OTHER RELATED ACTIVITIES**

To: Schools Division Superintendents
All Others Concerned

1. Pursuant to the Department of Education's commitment to promoting health, wellness, and holistic development among learners, and in line with its partnership with Nestlé Philippines, Inc. (NPI) under the Nestlé Wellness Campus Program (NWCP), the conduct of national-level activities recognizing exemplary school-based wellness initiatives is hereby supported and facilitated.
2. The on-site national judging aims to determine the Best Implementing Schools among the nine (9) participating regions, based on established criteria aligned with the objectives of the NWCP.
3. The On-site National Judging for the Best Implementing School Competitions under the Nestlé Wellness Campus Program shall be conducted on January 19–20, 2026, specifically on the following schools:

Date	Time	Venue	SDO
January 19, 2026	9:00 AM- 12:00 NN	Maasin Central School	Maasin City
January 20, 2026	9:00 AM- 12:00 NN	Sta. Paz NHS, Brgy. Pasanon, San Francisco	Southern Leyte Division

4. The judging activities shall be facilitated by representatives from Nestlé Philippines, Inc., headed by the Nutrition Advocacy Executive and NWCP Program Lead, Ms. Charisma Sy, in partnership with Greatfil Team, Inc., headed by its President, Mr. Patricio Goc-ong, and National Operations Head, Ms. Lovely Erosa.
5. In support of Region VIII's entry to the DepEd Region VIII **Hataw Sayaw Year 3 competition**, all teachers and learners of DepEd Region VIII are hereby enjoined to actively support and engage by viewing and promoting the official entry video through the **Nestlé Wellness Homeroom-Parents' Community** platform, subject to existing DepEd policies on responsible digital engagement.
6. Further, the National Judging for the **Sarap Sustansya Cook-Off** is scheduled on February 26 to March 1, 2026.

The official Regional Representative under the Junior High School Category is Conception National High School, Schools Division of Southern Leyte.

7. All participating learners and their respective coaches for both activities shall be fully provided with transportation, meals for the entire duration of the events, and hotel accommodation by Nestlé Philippines, Inc. (NPI) through its partner, Greatfil Team, Inc.
8. Participating learners and coaches are hereby officially excused from their classes and related school duties during the conduct of the competitions. Further, coaches shall be entitled to Service Credits should any of the competition dates fall on a weekend or declared holiday.
9. All concerned officials, school heads, teachers, and learners are directed to extend full cooperation and support to ensure the successful implementation of the above-mentioned activities.
10. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum are desired.

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Assistant Regional Director
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Office of the Regional Director

Enclosures: as stated

References: as stated

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

NESTLE WELLNESS CAMPUS PROGRAM PARTNERSHIPS

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Regional Director
Department of Education
Region VIII – Eastern Visayas

Thru: Ms. EDEN A. DADAP
– Project Development Officer IV
Department of Education - Eastern Visayas

Dear Director Firmo,

I am pleased to share that **Greatfil Team, Inc.** will be conducting the Face-to-Face National Judging for the Best Implementing School Competition under the **Nestlé Wellness Campus Program**. This judging aims to determine the **BEST SCHOOLS** among the Nine (9) participating regions and is scheduled on **January 19-20, 2026**.

Best Implementing School Competition:

- **Elementary Category:**
Maasin Central School (Division of Maasin City)
- **Junior High School Category:**
Sta. Paz National High School (Division of Southern Leyte)

The judging will be facilitated by representatives from **Nestlé Philippines, Inc.**, headed by the Nutrition Advocacy Executive and NWCP Program Lead - **Ms. Charisma Sy** and in partnership with **Greatfil Team, Inc.**, headed by the President **Mr. Patricio Goc-ong** and National Operations Head - **Ms. Lovely Erosa**.

We respectfully request the support of **DepEd Region VIII** for the *Hataw Sayaw Year 3* videos, representing all 13 divisions through the **Nestlé Wellness Homeroom – Parents' Community**.

The deadline for reactions to the videos is **February 15, 2026**. Regional winners are required to submit their **new videos** on or before **February 16, 2026**, to qualify for the **National Title Competition**.

Hataw Sayaw Year 2 Competition:

- **Elementary Category:**
Maasin Central School (Division of Maasin City)
- **Junior High School Category:**
New Ormoc City National High School - Upper (Division of Ormoc City)

In this regard, we kindly request your office to issue a **Regional Memorandum** to formally inform our National Qualifiers about the judging schedule. This will ensure clarity and adherence to the outlined plans.

Furthermore, we humbly request that the memorandum include the schedule for the upcoming National Judging for the **Sarap Sustansya Cook-Off**, set for **February 26–March 1, 2026**. For this event, all national finalists with their coaches will travel to the competition venue, with all travel, food, and accommodation expenses covered by Nestlé Philippines, Inc. (NPI) through Greatfil Team, Inc.

SSK Cook-Off Competition:

- **Junior High School Category:**
Conception National High School (Division of Southern Leyte)

If other DepEd key personnel, such as School Heads, EPS, Chiefs, ASDS, SDS, and others, wish to attend or witness the competition, we respectfully inform that their travel, accommodation, food, and other related expenses will be charged to their local funds and/or any available funds, subject to the approval of the Schools Division Superintendent or Regional Office.

To support the participants' engagement, we kindly seek your assistance in the following:

1. **Granting excused absences** for the students from their classes during the competition dates.
2. **Providing service credits** for the teacher coach for their dedication and guidance throughout the event.

We truly appreciate your support in helping our Region's representatives prepare and participate successfully in these prestigious competitions. We are confident that your guidance and assistance will contribute to their continued success.

Thank you for considering this request.

Sincerely yours,


PATRICIO T. GOC-ONG
President
Greatfil Team, Inc.