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Department of Education
REGION VIII - EASTERN VISAYAS

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REGIONAL MEMORANDUM
No. **160** s. 2026

**CRITERIA FOR SPECIAL AWARDS DURING THE 2026 EASTERN VISAYAS
REGIONAL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION (EVRAA) MEET**

To: Schools Division Superintendents
All Others Concerned

1. The Department of Education Regional Office VIII through the Education Support Services Division (ESSD), announces the Criteria for Special Awards During the 2026 Eastern Visayas Regional Athletic Association (EVRAA) Meet on **March 1-7, 2026**, to be hosted by Baybay City Division in coordination with the Local Government Unit of the Host Division.
2. Attached is Enclosure No. 1, titled "Criteria for Special Awards."
3. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum are desired.

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Enclosures: As stated,

References: As stated,

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

AWARDS	CRITERIA	EVRAA
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Enclosure to RM No. s.2020

CRITERIA FOR SPECIAL AWARDS

I.

CLEAN AND GREEN AWARD	
CRITERIA / INDICATORS	POINTS
Cleanliness of the Billeting Area	
Clean and well-maintained sleeping quarters	8%
Free from trash	10%
No unpleasant odors	6%
Free from health hazards	6%
Orderliness & Neat Arrangement	
Beds, personal belongings, equipment, and common areas are systematically arranged	10%
Beds, personal belongings, equipment, and common areas are visually organized	10%
Cleanliness of the Surroundings	
Hallways, pathways, and the immediate surroundings of the billeting area are clean	10%
Hallways, pathways, and the immediate surroundings of the billeting area are free from litter	10%
Waste Management Practices	
Proper waste segregation is observed	10%
Presence and correct use of labeled trash bins;	5%
Minimal waste accumulation	5%
Eco-Friendly Initiatives	
Evidence of eco-friendly practices such as recycling, waste reduction, water/energy conservation, or environmental care activities	10%
TOTAL	100%

II.

BEST IN UNIFORM AWARD	
CRITERIA / INDICATORS	POINTS
Neatness & Grooming	
Uniforms are clean, well-fitted, properly worn, and free from damage.	20%
Athletes and officials exhibit proper grooming and overall neat appearance.	10%
Uniformity & Coordination	
Uniforms are well-coordinated and unified in design, color, and style, creating a strong sense of group identity and cohesion.	30%
Color Representation & Identity	
Colors clearly and proudly represent the contingent's identity, unity, and sportsmanship,	10%
The Color is visually appealing and appropriate for the event.	10%
Design & Overall Presentation	
Overall uniform design enhances the contingent's appearance, showing balance, appropriateness, and	10%

visual impact without compromising comfort or function.	
Discipline in Wearing the Uniform	
Uniforms are worn properly and consistently according to EVRAA guidelines during official activities, ceremonies, and events.	10%
TOTAL	100%

III.

BEST IN SANITATION AWARD	
CRITERIA / INDICATORS	POINTS
Cleanliness & Housekeeping of Billeting Area	
Sleeping quarters, comfort rooms, common areas, and surroundings are consistently clean, well-maintained, odor-free, and orderly.	20%
Regular cleaning schedules are evident.	10%
Food Preparation & Handling Practices	
Food preparation areas are clean and organized. Proper food storage, hygiene practices (use of hairnets, gloves, clean utensils),	20%
Safe food handling for athletes is observed.	10%
Waste Management System	
Proper segregation of biodegradable, non-biodegradable, and recyclable wastes.	10%
Availability of labeled trash bins, regular waste disposal, and cleanliness of disposal areas.	10%
Safety & Sanitation Measures	
Presence of sanitation supplies (soap, disinfectants, handwashing stations), pest control practices, and safe storage of cleaning materials.	5%
No health or safety hazards observed.	5%
Organization & Discipline of the Contingent	
Athletes and officials demonstrate discipline in maintaining cleanliness, following sanitation rules, and participating in housekeeping activities.	10%
TOTAL	100%

IV.

MOST DISCIPLINED AND ORGANIZED AWARD	
CRITERIA / INDICATORS	POINTS
Cleanliness of the Billeting Area	
Athletes and officials consistently demonstrate proper behavior, respect for rules, officials, fellow contingents, and host personnel throughout the duration of the meet.	30%
Orderliness & Neat Arrangement	
Clear structure in team movements and activities.	
Members move in an orderly manner during events, assemblies, parades, and transitions.	15%
Roles and responsibilities are well-defined.	5%
Time Management & Punctuality	

The contingent consistently arrives on time for games, assemblies, ceremonies, and official activities, showing efficient scheduling and preparedness.	20%
Uniformity and Appearance	
Athletes and officials wear proper, complete, and uniform attire during official activities, reflecting neatness, order, and team identity.	10%
Leadership & Supervision	
Coaches, trainers, and team leaders effectively supervise athletes, enforce discipline, and promptly address concerns or issues.	10%
Compliance with EVRAA Rules & Protocols	
The contingent strictly follows EVRAA policies, safety protocols, billeting rules, and competition guidelines with minimal or no violations.	10%
TOTAL	100%

V.

MOST ENERGETIC PARADE CONTINGENT AWARD	
CRITERIA / INDICATORS	POINTS
Energy & Enthusiasm	
Participants display high energy, enthusiasm, and lively spirit throughout the parade.	20%
Movements and expressions reflect excitement and strong division pride.	10%
Creativity & Presentation	
Contingent demonstrates originality in movements, gestures, chants, props, or thematic elements that enhance overall parade presentation.	30%
Synchronization & Unity	
Movements, formations, chants, and transitions are well-coordinated and synchronized, showing unity and teamwork among members.	20%
Crowd Engagement & Impact	
Ability of the contingent to engage spectators and create a strong visual and emotional impact without disrupting parade order.	10%
Discipline & Parade Order Compliance	
Energy and creativity are displayed while maintaining proper formation, discipline	7%
Adherence to parade rules and protocols.	3%
TOTAL	100%

VI.

BEST IN SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD	
CRITERIA / INDICATORS	POINTS
Fair Play & Integrity	
Athletes and officials consistently demonstrate honesty, respect for rules, and acceptance of game results.	20%

No acts of cheating, intentional fouls, or unsportsmanlike conduct observed.	10%
Respect for Opponents & Officials	
Shows courtesy and respect toward opposing teams, referees, judges, and event officials before, during, and after competitions.	30%
Conduct On and Off the Playing Field	
Maintains proper behavior in competition venues, billeting areas, and public spaces throughout the duration of the meet.	20%
Camaraderie & Team Spirit	
Displays positive team support, encouragement of teammates, and friendly interaction with other contingents, win or lose.	10%
Response to Victory & Defeat	
Demonstrates grace, humility, and emotional control in both winning and losing situations.	10%
TOTAL	100%

VII.

CULTURAL PRIDE AWARD	
CRITERIA / INDICATORS	POINTS
Authentic Representation of Culture	
The contingent accurately and respectfully showcases its local culture, traditions, customs, and heritage through attire, symbols, or practices.	30%
Creativity & Cultural Presentation	
Cultural elements are presented creatively and meaningfully, enhancing visibility and appreciation without distorting cultural authenticity.	30%
Consistency & Integration	
Cultural identity is consistently reflected throughout EVRAA activities (e.g., parade, ceremonies, uniforms, chants, or displays), not limited to a single event.	20%
Respect & Preservation of Traditions	
Cultural expressions demonstrate respect, dignity, and proper observance of traditions, avoiding stereotypes or inappropriate representations.	10%
Impact & Cultural Pride	
The presentation fosters pride, awareness, and positive impact among spectators, fellow contingents, and officials.	10%
TOTAL	100%

VIII.

BEST IN DIGITIZATION AWARD	
CRITERIA / INDICATORS	POINTS
Use of Social Media & Digital Platforms	
Consistent use of Facebook, social media, and other digital platforms to promote EVRAA events, share updates, and highlight athletes and activities.	30%
Innovation & Creativity in Digital Engagement	

Demonstrates creative use of technology such as livestreaming, reels, stories, graphics, hashtags, or interactive content that enhances audience engagement.	30%
Community Engagement & Reach	
Digital initiatives successfully engage the community, stakeholders, and supporters through comments, shares, interactions, and audience participation.	20%
Accessibility & Information Efficiency	
Digital content is clear, timely, accessible, and helpful in providing schedules, results, announcements, and relevant EVRAA information.	10%
Contribution to Modernization & Visibility of EVRAA	
Use of digital tools improves the visibility, efficiency, and modern image of EVRAA without compromising accuracy or propriety.	10%
TOTAL	100%

IX.

MOST INSPIRING STORY AWARD	
CRITERIA / INDICATORS	POINTS
Story Impact and Inspiration	
The story clearly conveys a meaningful message that uplifts, motivates, or inspires readers	20%
Demonstrates values such as perseverance, sportsmanship, unity, sacrifice, or hope	10%
Leaves an emotional and lasting impression on the audience	10%
Authenticity and Human Connection	
The story feels genuine, relatable, and grounded in real experiences	10%
Captures the human side of EVRAA beyond medals and rankings	10%
Reflects sincerity in narrative and portrayal	5%
Relevance to EVRAA Meet 2026	
Clearly connected to the EVRAA Meet 2026 experience in Baybay City	5%
Highlights the role of the athlete, coach, or host delegation in the success of the event	5%
Reinforces the spirit of camaraderie and regional unity	5%
Social Media Engagement	
(Measured based on combined and organic reach)	
Number of reactions (likes and other reactions)	5%
Number of shares	5%
Quality and positivity of comments	5%
Overall engagement relative to posting time	5%
TOTAL	100%

X.

MOST FUNCTIONAL LEARNER RIGHTS AND PROTECTION (LRP) DESK	
CRITERIA / INDICATORS	POINTS
Organizational Structure and Functionality	
Existence of a designated and operational LRP Desk within the delegation area	
Clearly identified and trained LRP Focal Person and support staff.	
Updated copy of DepEd Child Protection Policy and relevant issuances available on-site.	
Visibility of the LRP Desk (signage, location accessibility, visibility to athletes and coaches).	
TOTAL	20%
Preparedness and Documentation	
Availability of a Learner Protection Plan specific to EVRAA activities.	
Emergency contact directory (CP focal, division head, health officer, police, barangay officials).	
Orientation records for athletes and coaches on child protection and safe spaces.	
Presence of consent forms, incident report forms, and referral mechanisms.	
TOTAL	20%
Implementation and Response Mechanism	
Functional incident reporting system (logbook or digital record).	
Immediate and appropriate response to reported concerns (e.g., bullying, harassment, injuries).	
Coordination with medical, security, and psychosocial support personnel.	
Evidence of proactive monitoring rounds and learner consultation.	
TOTAL	25%
Promotive and Preventive Interventions	
Conduct of awareness activities or information drives on learner rights and protection.	
Availability of IEC materials (posters, flyers, banners) promoting safe spaces and child-friendly conduct.	
Initiatives fostering positive behavior, sportsmanship, and inclusivity.	
TOTAL	15%
Collaboration and Stakeholder Engagement	
Active coordination with Division/Regional LRP Focal Persons and event organizers.	
Linkages with partner agencies (PNP-WCPD, DSWD, DOH, LGU).	
Communication and feedback mechanism with parents and guardians.	
TOTAL	10%
Monitoring, Evaluation, and Reporting	
Availability of post-activity report summarizing cases handled and interventions made.	

Documentation of lessons learned and recommendations for improvement.	
Reflection of data privacy compliance in handling sensitive cases.	
TOTAL	10%
OVERALL TOTAL	100%