



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

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REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

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**SCHEDULE ON THE CONDUCT OF THE 2027
REGIONAL FESTIVAL OF TALENTS (RFOT)**

To: Schools Division Superintendents
All Others Concerned

1. Pursuant to the existing policies on the promotion of learners' talents in the arts, culture, and creative industries, this Office, through the Curriculum and Learnig Management Division (CLMD) announces the conduct of the **2027 Regional Festival of Talents (RFOT)** on **December 8-11, 2026**, to be hosted by the **Schools Division of Northern Samar** in partnership with the **Local Government Unit (LGU) of Northern Samar**.
2. The 2027 Regional Festival of Talents shall carry the theme: ***"Youthful Creativity, Cultural Brilliance: Crafting a Bright Future in the Creative Industries"***. This theme underscores the vital role of learners in shaping culture and craft, while highlighting their contributions to the growth of creative industries. It reflects the Department of Education's commitment to nurturing talents from **Key Stage 1 to 4**, including those in **Special Needs Education, Alternative Learning System, IPed, MEP, and Special Curricular Programs (SCPs)** across both public and private schools.
3. The activity aims to achieve the following specific objectives:
 - a. Provide learners with a platform to develop and showcase their skills, talents, and competencies aligned with the creative industries, fostering innovation, entrepreneurship, and appreciation for local arts and culture;
 - b. Ensure inclusive and equitable participation of learners from Special Needs Education (SNEd), Alternative Learning System (ALS), IPed, MEP, and Special Curricular Programs, enrolled in both public and private schools from Key Stage 1 to Key Stage 4, providing them equal opportunity to exhibit their talents in the creative arts; and
 - c. Strengthen partnerships among schools, divisions, and local government units to support talent development and community enrichment.
4. The detailed contest mechanics, contest categories, and other guidelines governing the conduct of the RFOT shall be issued in a separate Memorandum.

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


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Enclosures: None

Reference: None

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

LEARNER-PARTICIPANTS

OFFICIALS

REGIONAL FESTIVAL OF TALENTS

SUPERVISORS

TEACHERS

CLMD-NPJ

