



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

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REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

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EDUCATIONAL TRIP FOR OUTSTANDING TEST OF FUNDAMENTAL ACADEMIC SKILLS (TOFAS) TAKERS

To: Schools Division Superintendents
All Others Concerned

1. The Department of Education (DepEd) Regional Office VIII, in partnership with SPRIX Philippines, announces the conduct of an **Educational Trip for Outstanding Test of Fundamental Academic Skills (TOFAS) Takers** on **September 9–11, 2026** in **Metro Manila**.
2. The Educational Trip is intended to recognize and provide a meaningful learning experience to the ten (10) top achievers in the TOFAS from Grades 1 to 10 in Eastern Visayas. The identified learners are specifically named in the attached communication from SPRIX Philippines inviting them to participate in the Educational Trip.
3. The activity aims to:
 - a. recognize and celebrate the academic achievement of outstanding TOFAS takers;
 - b. provide learners with enriching educational and cultural experiences beyond the classroom;
 - c. expose learners to learning opportunities, institutions, and places of educational significance in Metro Manila; and
 - d. strengthen the partnership between DepEd and SPRIX Philippines in promoting quality learning and academic excellence.
4. SPRIX Philippines shall fully fund the Educational Trip, including transportation, meals, and hotel accommodation. For Grades 1–4 learners, the funding shall likewise cover the expenses of their designated accompanying chaperones.
5. The Schools Division Offices and the schools are requested to facilitate and support their participation in the activity.
6. The concerned school heads shall facilitate the preparation and completion of the necessary **Parental Consent and Waiver Forms** for all participating learners. Schools shall ensure that the duly signed documents are secured from the parents or legal guardians prior to the scheduled travel and submitted to the designated focal persons within the prescribed timeline. These documents shall serve as confirmation of parental authorization and acknowledgment of the learner's participation in the Educational Trip and shall form part of the required travel and activity documentation.



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7. To facilitate the timely purchase of airline tickets and other necessary arrangements, the confirmation of participation and submission/validation of the complete names and birthdates of both the learner and the accompanying chaperone/s shall be coordinated through **Eden A. Dadap**, Regional Partnership Focal Person, at 0920 901 7954.

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


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Regional Director 

Enclosures: as stated

References: as stated

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index under the following subjects:
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Dir. Salustiano T. Jimenez
Regional Director
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Region VIII
Government Center Candahug Palo, Leyte

THRU: Ms. Eden Dadap and Ms. Glendale Lameseria

Dear Director Jimenez,

Greetings from Sprix Philippines!

We are pleased to inform your good office of **the upcoming Educational Trip to Manila on September 9-11, 2026** for the top-performing students from the TOFAS (Test of Fundamental Academic Skills) implementation conducted in Region VIII last March 2026.

This activity is intended to recognize and reward the outstanding academic achievements of students from **Grades 1 to 10** who obtained the highest rankings in the TOFAS assessment. Through this educational trip, the students will be provided with meaningful learning experiences, exposure to educational and cultural institutions, and opportunities to broaden their knowledge beyond the classroom. We believe that this initiative will further inspire them to pursue academic excellence and serve as motivation for other learners to strive for higher achievement.

The following students have qualified as top achievers and are invited to participate in the Educational Trip:

School ID	School Name	Current Grade	Previous Grade	Student Names
238003	Maasin City SPED Center	2	1	Havannah Yrel Zephyrine O. Gravilez
121842	San Isidro Central School	3	2	Brian Sebastian B. Batayola
238003	Maasin City SPED Center	4	3	Elle Jose P. Sabalo
238003	Maasin City SPED Center	5	4	Cyd Ellaina A. Sala
122346	Cansumangkay Elementary School	6	5	John Samuel G. Cabanillas
120790	CASIAWAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	7	6	Maria Claire L. Cinco
303552	GAMAY NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL	8	7	Corinne C. Cafe
303442	Villaba National Comprehensive High School	9	8	Nerisa Z. Sinoy
303369	Dulag National High School	10	9	Ciaram Chahiro D. Garciano
303423	San Isidro National High School	11	10	Andrey Mabuti

To ensure the safety and welfare of all participating students, **we respectfully encourage the parents or guardians of students from Grades 1 to 4 to accompany their children during the educational trip. For students from Grades 5 to 10, we kindly request that their parents or guardians accomplish and submit a Parental Consent and Waiver Form authorizing their participation in the activity.**

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In addition, we would like to extend an invitation to two (2) designated DepEd Region VIII focal persons to join the educational trip as official representatives of the region. Their participation will further strengthen the partnership between DepEd Region VIII and Sprix Philippines while providing support and guidance to the student delegates throughout the activity.

In this regard, we respectfully seek the support and endorsement of the Department of Education Region VIII for the participation of these students and accompanying representatives in the said activity. **This educational trip is fully sponsored by Sprix Philippines, including transportation, accommodation, meals, and other related expenses of the participating student delegates and accompanying representatives during the trip.** Sprix Philippines will coordinate closely with the respective schools, parents, and guardians to ensure the safety, welfare, and successful implementation of the educational trip.

We sincerely appreciate the continued partnership and support of DepEd Region VIII in promoting quality education and academic excellence among Filipino learners. We look forward to working together in providing these deserving students with a memorable and enriching educational experience.

Thank you for your continued support and commitment to learner development.

Respectfully yours,

Hayatao Tsuzurano
President