



Republic of the Philippines
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
Caraga Administrative Region
Butuan City



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REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

No. 566 s., 2018

2018 REGIONAL INTEGRATED STUDENTS ACTIVITIES (RISA)

To: Schools Division Superintendents
This Region



1. The **2018 Regional Integrated Students Activities (RISA)** shall be held on **November 5-9, 2018** with the theme, **“Celebrating Diversity and Inclusive Education Through Talents and Skills”**. Specific schedules and venues of the included regional academic competitions are as follows:

Regional Schools Press Conference (RSPC)	St. James High School, Agusan del Norte	November 5-9, 2018
Regional Festival of Talents (RFOT)	Agusan National High School, Butuan City	November 7-9, 2018
Regional Science Fair and Quiz Plus	Butuan City SPED Center, Butuan City	

2. The objectives of the activity are to:
 - a. Conduct initial monitoring and evaluation of how far teachers have delivered on class and how far the learners have understood the critical contents in Science, English, Filipino, Mathematics, Music and Arts;
 - b. Demonstrate understanding of the importance of journalism by expressing it through different journalistic endeavors and approaches;
 - c. Sustain advocacy on social consciousness and environmental awareness;
 - d. Provide a venue for enriching learning experience for students interested in journalism as a career or those who intend to use skill set learned through campus journalism to give them a better edge in their chosen careers;
 - e. Promote responsible journalism and fair and ethical use of social media;
 - f. Provide the learners from public and private secondary schools and Alternative Learning System (ALS) with opportunities to showcase their talents and skills through exhibition of their products and performances as evidence of their learning;
 - g. Extend parallel learning sessions for teachers and learners to enhance their knowledge and skills in their respective field of interest e.g. Festival of Talents;
 - h. Promote Science and Technology consciousness among the Filipino Youth;
 - i. Identify the most creative, innovative Science and Technology researchers who shall represent Caraga region in the National Science and Technology Fair; and
 - j. Advocate environmental protection and ecosystem conservation through the conduct of science investigatory project and other related activities.
3. Only first place winners of the contest categories in the division level Science Fair competitions shall participate in the regional level except, Science Investigatory Projects (Secondary-student's category) where first and second place winners are allowed to join.

4. The participants of the RFOT shall be the Division First Place winners of the different areas with corresponding coaches and division coordinators/supervisors.
5. Participants to RSPC are the TOP SEVEN WINNERS in the individual contests and the BEST TEAM in Radio Broadcasting, TV Broadcasting Collaborative Desktop Publishing and Online Publishing contests in the division level, both in English and Filipino categories.
6. A team composed of five members shall compete on the Online Publishing Contest. The contest is open to Secondary level only.
7. Each Schools Division Offices shall have 7 participants for the Column Writing Contests both in English and Filipino, Elementary and Secondary. The contestants shall be coming from the winners of the individual /group contests categories. The winners shall be awarded but they cannot proceed to the national level since this is an exhibition contest only.
8. Students in elementary and secondary (both junior and senior high schools) levels are eligible to join the RSPC. Student writers should be accompanied by their school paper advisers, and supervised by the division campus journalism coordinators.
9. Stand-alone Senior High Schools are eligible to participate in the RSPC.
10. The participating divisions shall take charge of the meals and snacks of their delegates. All participants are advised to bring their own beddings that include mats/foams, pillows and blankets. The Billeting quarters of RSPC participants shall be announced later.
11. Seven winners for the individual contests, and top three for Radio Broadcasting, TV broadcasting and Collaborative Desktop Publishing, both in English and Filipino categories, shall be declared; but only the top three (for individual contests) and the best team (for Radio Broadcasting, TV Broadcasting, Online Publishing and Collaborative Desktop Publishing) shall represent the Region in the National Schools Press Conference at Lingayen, Pangasinan in January 2019.
12. Top three winners in the Search for Outstanding School Paper Advisers and Campus Journalists, and the top ten winners in the school paper contests, elementary and secondary, both English and Filipino categories shall be declared.
13. All divisions should strictly follow the "No School Paper, No Student Contestant" Policy.
14. Schools which have collected journalism or subscription fees from their students should submit school paper entries (hard copy) and not e-document entries in PDF files. Schools that did not collect journalism or subscription fee from the students are the only institutions allowed to submit their campus publication in e-document format (pdf). Schools that will submit entries in this format should include a certification from the parents' association, duly noted by school principal, that no publication fee was collected from the students. This certification should be included in the documents submitted to the Region before the regional judging of the school papers.
15. The entries to the School Paper Contest in print (3 copies, for schools with journalism fees) or electronic/portable document format (PDF, placed in a compact disc, with Certification). All Division entries for the Group Contest (draft copy for in print, 11x17 for secondary and A4 size for elementary) shall be indorsed by the Superintendent. These shall be submitted on October 17, 2018 at 5:00 o'clock in the afternoon. No extension of due date/time will be allowed.

16. Pertinent papers for the Search for Outstanding School Paper Advisers and Campus Journalists must be submitted with the SDS indorsement to the Curriculum and Learning Management Division (CLMD) (Attention: Gladys S. Asis, Ph.D., Education Program Supervisor) on or before October 17, 2018, at 5:00 in the afternoon. No extension of due date/time will be allowed.
17. Complete Official List of delegation cum Division Travel Order (hard and soft copies) to be provided to the RO and the host division on October 22, 2018. This official list signed by the SDS shall also serve as the official travel order of each division and this is the only travel order which shall be honored by the host division. If there are last-minute changes in the list of contestants, the replacement shall submit a justification/certification duly signed by the SDS/Head of Delegation to the respective chair of the RTWG upon arrival at the contest venue.
18. The Outstanding School Paper Advisers and Outstanding Campus Journalists in each division shall wear ethnic attire during the Awarding Ceremony.
19. 2018 National Schools Press Conference (NSPC) winners shall be reawarded during the RSPC. School Principals whose school paper garnered awards in the NSPC shall attend the awarding ceremony.
20. The annual membership fee (Php 60.00 for School Paper Advisers, Php 30.00 for student-writers) shall be paid directly to the Treasurers of the Caraga Secondary Schools Paper Advisers Association (CASSPAA) and Regional Elementary School Papers Advisers Association (RSPAA) on November 5, 2018 upon arrival at the host venue. These membership fee shall be remitted to the National Secondary School Publication Advisers Association (NSSPAA) Inc. and Philippine Association of Elementary School Paper Advisers Associations. (PAESPA) and Elementary Editor's Guild of the Philippines (EEGP).
21. Division winners/ entries of the individual and group events and (in separate lists for elementary and secondary in excel format) from each division should be submitted to the Curriculum and Learning Management Division (CLMD) at gladys.asis@yahoo.com on or before October 22, 2018 (see attached template). Below is the sequence of the official list of entries.
 - a. News Writing
 - b. Editorial Writing
 - c. Feature Writing
 - d. Sports Writings
 - e. Science and Technology Writing
 - f. Copyreading and Headline Writing
 - g. Photojournalism
 - h. Editorial Cartooning
 - i. Column Writing (Exhibition)
 - j. Scriptwriting and Radio Broadcasting
 - k. Collaborative Desktop Publishing
 - l. Scriptwriting and TV Broadcasting

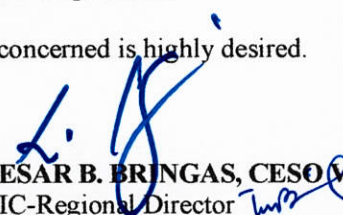
22. Contest tools and materials in Industrial Arts, H.E., AFA, ICT and Techno-Bazaar Exhibits shall be brought by the contestants. However, some materials listed below shall be provided by the management:

Event	Materials
Agri-Fishery Arts (AFA)	Contest materials in landscape installation and maintenance, dish gardening and food preservation
Home Economics	Cloth
ICT	Flash drive
Industrial Arts	T-shirts for t-shirt printing and some materials in furniture and cabinet making such as plywood, lumber, stick well-white, cabinet hinges, sand papers, wood edgers and catches
Techno-Bazaar	Booth

23. All SIP/Robotics manuscripts and SIM write-ups of all categories (elementary, secondary; teachers and students) should be submitted at the regional office not later than **October 22, 2018**; **no more extension is allowed especially for SIP high school, students category.**
24. Science Investigatory Projects should attach the complete, applicable ISEF Forms upon submission of the manuscripts.
25. Display boards of SIP high school student's category should follow the NSTF standards and shall be submitted on **November 6, 2018** for Quality Assurance purposes at Butuan City SPED Center.
26. All division offices are required to bring their division banners.
27. Enclosed herewith are the following:
- A. No. of participants per academic competition;**
 - B. Mechanics/Implementing Guidelines of all Events;**
 - C. 2018 RSPC Confirmation Sheet**
 - D. Assignment of Billeting Quarters of all SDOs;**
 - E. General Activity Matrix**
28. Each Schools Division Offices shall give **Ten Thousand Pesos only (P 10, 000.00)** to **Butuan City Division**, host of the 2018 RFOT-RSFQP, and another **Ten Thousand Pesos only (P 10, 000.00)** to **Agusan del Norte Division**, host of the 2018 RSPC, as financial assistance for water, electricity and maintenance of the billeting schools.
29. Participants from the private schools shall make their own arrangements to source out funds to cover the costs relative to their participation in the aforementioned activity.
30. International winners in any sports and academic competitions from January to October 2018 shall be recognized during the Opening Program of RISA. SDOs are required to submit the list of awardees using the template below through linogb79@gmail.com **not later than October 12, 2018:**

Name of the Competition	
Date and Venue	
Name of Contestant/s	
Name of Coach	
Name of School	
Division	

31. The delegates for RSPC are expected to arrive on November 4, 2018 while delegates for both RFOT and RSFQP are expected to arrive on November 6, 2018. Coaches and student-participants for both RFOT and RSFQP are still required to attend classes on November 5, 2018. All division delegates shall wear their proper attire during the Opening Program.
32. Contestants and coaches of academic competitions that shall end ahead of the closing program and do not require judges' engagements and deliberations shall be awarded right after the competition and are not required to stay and wait for the scheduled closing program.
33. Schedules and venues of the closing programs are as follows:
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| 2018 Regional Schools Press Conference (RSPC) | Buenvista Gymnasium, Buenvista, Agusan del Norte | November 9, 2018
8:00 AM to 12:00 NN |
| 2018 Regional Festival of Talents (RFOT) | Agusan National High School Covered Court, Butuan City | November 9, 2018
1:00 to 5:00 PM |
| 2018 Regional Science Fair and Quiz Plus (RSFQP) | Agusan National High School Covered Court, Butuan City | November 9, 2018
8:00 AM to 12:00 NN |
34. There shall be NO registration fee. Traveling expenses and per diem of participants/delegates, and contest focal persons shall be charged against the school/division/local MOOE funds, school campus journalism funds, SSES/STE, and SEF subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.
35. Immediate dissemination of this **Memorandum** to all concerned is highly desired.


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Encls: As stated
 Reference: Presidential Proclamation No. 264
 To be indicated in the **PERPETUAL INDEX** under the following subjects:
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