

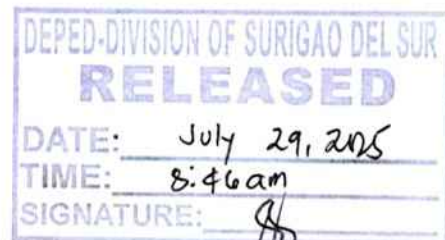


Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
 Caraga Region
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF SURIGAO DEL SUR

DIVISION MEMORANDUM

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To: Public Schools District Supervisors
 District Journalism Coordinators
 School Paper Advisers
 All Others Concerned



SCHEDULE OF JOURNALISM COMPETITIONS

1. Republic Act No. 7079 otherwise known as the Campus Journalism Act of 1991, highlighted the crucial role of campus journalism in strengthening ethical values, encouraging critical and creative thinking, and developing moral character and personal discipline of Filipino learners. With this, the division of Surigao del Sur, informs the field on the schedule of journalism competitions across governance levels.
2. The competitions aim to:
 - a. demonstrate understanding of journalism through skillful execution in various platforms (i.e, print and online).
 - b. allow learners to apply skills and competence learned in campus journalism for their future careers.
 - c. acknowledge the role of journalism in advocating social consciousness and environmental awareness.
 - d. foster camaraderie and enrich learners' learning experiences through healthy and friendly competition.
 - e. promote fair and ethical use of media as tenets of responsible journalism.
3. To select competent campus journalists, the division shall implement strategic selection process where in the School's/Districts Press Conference, the individual writing contest shall be at least 2 rounds. Moreover, staggered event scheduling for individual, group and school paper contest category shall be applied.
4. The following is the proposed schedule, which may be subject to changes depending on the final schedule of the Regional Schools Press Conference.

Categories	School	Municipal/District	Division
Individual Writing	August 4-8, 2025	August 11-29, 2025	September 10-12, 2025
Group Contest	August 4-8, 2025	Sept 15-26, 2025	October 9-10, 2025
School Paper Category	October 13-17, 2025	October 20-31, 2025	November 17-21, 2025

5. The competition shall include the following and shall adhere to NSPC 2024 guidelines:

A. Individual Contest (English and Filipino, elementary and secondary)

- i. News Writing
- ii. Features Writing
- iii. Editorial Writing
- iv. Sports Writing
- v. Copyreading and Headline Writing
- vi. Science and Technology Writing
- vii. Photojournalism
- viii. Editorial Cartooning
- ix. Column Writing

B. Group Contest

- i. Radio Script Writing and Broadcasting (English and Filipino, elementary & secondary)
- ii. Collaborative Desktop Publishing (English and Filipino, elementary, and secondary)
- iii. Online Publishing (English and Filipino, secondary only)
- iv. TV Script Writing and Broadcasting (English and Filipino, secondary only)

C. School Paper Contest (English and Filipino, elementary, and secondary, in Portable Document Format)

- i. News Section
- ii. Features Section
- iii. Editorial Section
- iv. Science and Technology Section
- v. Sports Section
- vi. Layout and Page Design

D. Outstanding School Paper Advisers (SPAs) and Campus Journalists (CJs)

6. The number of participants per event are the following:

Delegates	Expected Delegates		
	Elem	Sec	Total
Student Contestants			
Rank 1 in nine (9) Categories in Individual Contests with two (2) mediums	18	18	36
Rank 1 in Radio Scriptwriting and Broadcasting Contests (seven (7) CJs in English and seven (7) CJs in Filipino)	14	14	28
Rank 1 in TV Scriptwriting and Broadcasting Contests (seven (7) CJs in English and seven (7) CJs in Filipino)		14	14
Rank 1 in Collaborative Publishing for elementary and secondary (seven (7) CJs in English and seven (7) CJs in Filipino)	14	14	28
Rank 1 in Online Publishing (five (5) CJs in English and five (5) CJs in Filipino)		14	14
Coaches for the student contestants in Individual Contests	18	18	36
Coaches for Radio Scriptwriting and Broadcasting	2	2	4
Coaches for TV Scriptwriting and Broadcasting		2	2
Coaches for Online Publishing		2	2

7. A campus journalist can participate in only one event, either individual or group category. A journalist's portfolio (write-ups and other outputs) shall be required and be presented to the Technical Working Group (TWG) on the day of the competition. This is to ensure that training and prior journalism activities were provided before the competition.
8. Soft copies of the school publication shall be required as passport in the division competition; it is optional in the lower-level competitions.
9. The incurred expenses of the activity shall be charged against school MOOE, local funds, journalism funds, or special education funds, whichever is applicable subject to usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

10.Immediate and widest dissemination of this memorandum is desired.


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Encl.: As enclosed
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