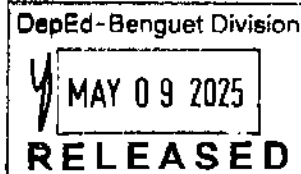




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DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. 196, s. 2025

**PARTICIPATION TO THE 2025 NATIONAL SCHOOLS PRESS CONFERENCE
AND 2025 NATIONAL FESTIVAL OF TALENTS**

To: Chief, Curriculum Implementation Division
Chief, School Governance and Operations Division
Education Program Supervisors
Public Schools District Supervisors/In Charge
Elementary and Secondary School Heads
Identified Elementary and Secondary Teachers
All Others Concerned

1. Pursuant to Regional Memorandum No. 299, s. 2025, the 2025 National Schools Press Conference (NSPC) and 2025 National Festival of Talents (NFOT) will be held from May 19 to May 23 (exclusive of travel time) at Vigan City, Ilocos Sur.
2. The 2025 NSPC and 2025 NFOT shall be anchored on the theme, ***“Empowering Filipino Youth: Unleashing Potentials in Journalism and Creative Industries in the Era of Artificial Intelligence (AI),”*** underscoring the importance of equipping young Filipinos with the necessary knowledge and skills to excel in journalism and various creative industries. The events will also highlight the role of AI in shaping these fields and emphasize the need to innovate and adapt in this rapidly evolving landscape.
3. Benguet contestants who garnered first place in the conducted 2025 RSPC events and 2025 RFOT events, their coaches, and identified SDO personnel shall attend. Please refer to Enclosure 1 for the list of SDO Benguet participants for the NSPC and to Enclosure 2 for the list of SDO Benguet participants for the NFOT.
4. Teachers/coaches attending the said activities shall be granted service credits for the whole duration including travel dates while two Compensatory Time Off (CTO) for the non-teaching personnel in lieu of the travel dates, May 18 (Sunday) and May 24 (Saturday), pursuant to DepEd Order No. 53 s. 2003 (Guidelines on the Grant of Vacation Service Credits for Teachers) and CSC-DBM Joint Circular No. 2 s. 2004 (Non-monetary Remuneration for Overtime Services).
5. In reference to Regional Memorandum 310, s. 2025, titled “Updates on the Regional Delegation to the 2025 NSPC and NFOT, travel expenses of participants from the SDOs will be handled by the Regional Office and will be reimbursed at the billeting school in Santa, Ilocos Sur from May



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20 to 21, 2025 after presentation of the needed documents to include receipts, Request for Expense Reimbursement (RER), itinerary, travel authority, and other supporting materials for the issuance of travel expenses. Additional expenses of official delegates shall be charged to local funds subject to the usual accounting and auditing procedures.

6. Other Division personnel who would participate but were not identified by the Regional Office are on official business, as stipulated in the Regional Memorandum No. 299, s. 2025, charged to local funds subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

7. This memorandum serves as the Travel Authority on official business for all identified participants.

8. For inquiries or clarifications, kindly contact CID Chief Rizalyn A. Guznian at rizalyn.guznian@deped.gov.ph, Education Program Supervisor for Filipino Norbert C. Lartec at norbert.lartec@deped.gov.ph, or Education Program Supervisor for English Francis F. Peckley at francis.peckley@deped.gov.ph.

9. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this memorandum is directed.

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**SDO BENGUET PARTICIPANTS TO THE
2025 NATIONAL SCHOOLS PRESS CONFERENCE**
Vigan City, Region 1
May 19 to 23, 2025

A. List of Contestants for the Individual Categories (Elementary)

	Complete Name of Student (First Name MI Last Name)	Gender	School	Event	Medium	Coach	School Paper
1	Sharnette F. Mingat	F	Naguey ES	News Writing	English	Hilaria R. Palayao	Diwen
2	Jael Rose L. Bisoy	F	Buyagan ES	Pagsulat ng Balita	Filipino	Victoria B. Magsilao	The Strawberry
3	Czarina Finn B. Dolinen	F	La Trinidad Central School	Kartung Editoryla	Filipino	Jocelyn L. Rosimo	Sinag Araw

B. List of Contestants for the Individual Categories (Secondary)

	Complete Name of Student (First Name MI Last Name)	Gender	School	Event	Medium	Coach	School Paper
1	Kirsten Khloe Piluden	F	Cordillera Regional Science High School	Column Writing	English	Benjamin Sacla	The Scholar
2	Jessa M. Tabao-ec	F	Ampusongan NHS	Pagsulat ng Kolum	Filipino	Charlotte A. Tanacio	Ang Pusong
3	Leann P. Marquez	F	Cordillera Regional Science High School	Science & Tech. Writing	English	Precious A. Espara	The Scholar
4	Ronald F. Chewachew	M	Cordillera Regional Science High School	Pagsulat ng Agham at Tekno- lohiya	Filipino	Julla G. Angyoc	Tinig Ng Cordilera



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C. List of Contestants for the Group Event (Elementary)

	Complete Name of Student (First Name MI Last Name)	Gender	School	Event	Medium	School Paper	Coach
1	Wentworth Dheniel Mendoza	M	Pacalso Elementary School	Collaborative Desktop Publishing	Filipino	Gintong Landas	Benilda K. Mendoza
2	Wilbert II B. Nagangi	M					
3	Mikhael Amir K. Malidom	M					
4	Ayesha Twain P. Catalo	F					
5	Yael Joanna V. Casilla	F					
6	Jessica D. Bangadon	F					
7	Laira Mae P. Cariaso	F					

D. List of Other Official Delegates from the Division Office

	Name	Gender	Office
Division in-charge of Campus Journalism	Francis F. Peckley	Male	CID
	Norbert C. Lartec	Male	CID
CID Chief	Chief Rizalyn A. Guznian	Female	CID



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**SDO BENGUET PARTICIPANTS TO THE
2025 NATIONAL FESTIVAL OF TALENTS**
Vigan City, Region 1
May 19 to 23, 2025

A. List of Contestants Elementary

	Complete Name of Student (First Name MI Last Name)	Gender	School	Event	Coach
1	Maria Reenezmei C. Alquisola	Female	Tagadi Housing ES	LikhaWento	Lea M. Calado
2	Sonia C. Mewan	Female	Benguet SPED Center	Story Interpretation for Filipino Sign Language	Joy B. Fernandez
3	Vlanikhov Wayne C. Napehew	Male	Mankayan Central School	Kasaysayan ng Pilipinas Kwiz	Melecia M. Micklay
4 5	Farhanna Mavienne N. Fabros Johniel H. Singlao	Female	Buyagan ES	Food Preparation and Presentation	Joyce B. Polonio

B. List of Contestants for Secondary

	Complete Name of Student (First Name MI Last Name)	Gender	School	Event	Coach
1	Mikylla S. Namuro	Female	Bineng NHS	Story Interpretation in Braille Reading	Wilma M. Coilan
2	Rhyven Froyd V. Bolislis	Male	Mankayan NHS	STEMAZING-Aghamazing	Analyn D. Dalang
3 4 5	Rhyven Froyo Bolislis, Katrina Gayle V. Mocyat, Irish J. Pablo	Female Female Female	Mankayan NHS	STEMAZING-Aghamazing	Analyn D. Dalang



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6	Micci Royce L. Alfredo	Female	Benguet NHS	FSL-Foreign Language Exposition (Nihongo)	Jelyn M. Cortez
7	Alliyah Kerrin D. Abe	Female	Benguet NHS	FSL-Foreign Language Composition (Nihongo)	Shery Alumno
8	Steve Ace M. Paticdon	Male	Benguet NHS	Electrical Installation and Maintenance (EIM)	Federico Ancheta
9	Prince Patrick Talplacido	Male			
10	JR Aaron A. Amansec	Male	Benguet NHS	Bread and Pastry Production	Froilan Shyr Aruco
11	Lord Kaizzer S. Aquino	Male			
12	Mark Justine C. Aquino	Male	Ampucao NHS	Sineliiksik	Robilyn B. Pataras
13	Emerson P. Luacan	Male			
14	Hazel Alexi C. Mora	Male			

C. List of Other Official Delegates from the Division Office

Event	Name	Gender	Office
Lingo Stars	Macarthy B. Malanes	Male	CID
SNED Expo	Erlinda C. Quinuan	Female	CID
STEMAZING: Aghamazing	Merlyn Conchita O. de Guzman	Female	CID
STEMAZING: Number Race	Jardson S. Onio	Male	CID
Other SDO Personnel on Official Business	Chief Rizalyn A. Guznian	Female	CID
	Samuel S. Ayangdan	Male	CID
	Warden A. Baltazar	Male	CID



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