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Office of the Schools Division Superintendent

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DIVISION MEMORANDUM

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SY 2023-2024 GAD-COMPLIANT DIVISION FESTIVAL OF TALENTS (DFOT)

**To: Assistant Superintendents
Chiefs, CID and SGOD
Education Program Supervisors/Coordinators
Public Schools District Supervisors/OICs
Public and Private Elementary and Secondary School Heads**

1. This Office announces the conduct of the **SY 2023-2024 GAD-Compliant Division Festival of Talents (DFOT)** on December 17-19, 2023 at the Municipality of Argao, Cebu.
2. This activity aims to:
 - 2.1 provide opportunities for learners from public and private elementary and secondary schools, as well as those from Alternative Learning System (ALS), Indigenous People Education (IPED), and Madrasah Education Program (MEP) to demonstrate their best GAD-compliant products and services, and performances in different event categories as authentic evidence of their learning across academic areas, key stages, and inclusion and special curricular programs;
 - 2.2 give a clear view of MATATAG agenda which reflects the significant association of the teaching and learning process during the activity;
 - 2.3 instill in the minds of the learner-participants and teacher coaches an atmosphere of sound competitions, camaraderie, and sportsmanship.
3. There shall be only one (1) entry from each municipality for each event category, and each learner-participant is allowed to participate in only one (1) event category. Municipalities are given the discretion on how to select/identify their municipal representatives.
4. Please refer to **DepEd Memorandum No. 23, s. 2023** for the guidelines and mechanics of the following:
 - 4.1 Sining Tanghalan for Music and Arts;
 - 4.2 Musabaqah and Oratorical Contest for Madrasah Education Program (MEP);
 - 4.3 Population Development for Social Studies (Aral Pan);
 - 4.4 Technolympics for TLE, TVE and TVL;
 - 4.5 Lingo Stars for Special Program in Foreign Language;
 - 4.6 Read-A-Thon for English and Filipino; and
 - 4.7 Kindergarten Draw and Tell.
5. Each municipality is advised to assign a DFOT Coordinator who serves as the link between the Division Office and the municipality delegation. The Municipal DFOT Coordinator will accomplish the DFOT Entry Form via <https://bit.ly/DFOT-EntryForm> on or before December 14, 2023. He/She shall inform the Secretariat and Billeting/Accommodation Committees of the details of the delegation's arrival and departure from the venue to ensure proper administrative arrangements with the concerned committees.

6. Each delegation shall take charge of the following:
 - 6.1 Delegation's Safety and Well-Being;
 - 6.2 Medical Certificates of Student Participants and Coaches;
 - 6.3 Parents' Permit of Student-Participants;
 - 6.4 Photocopy of Learners' SF 9 (School Report Card);
 - 6.4 Delegation's Meals and Snacks and Contest Materials;
 - 6.5 Sleeping Paraphernalia;
 - 6.6 Vehicle to transport the delegation from one venue to another; and
 - 6.7 Municipal Banner.

7. To prepare for this activity, a **Face-to-Face Pre-Planning Conference of the Education Program Supervisors and PSDSs and school heads of Argao 1 and 2** shall be conducted at Taloot IS, Argao 2 on Tuesday, November 28, 2023 at 1:00 pm. Moreover, a **Virtual Orientation of All Chairpersons of the Working Committees, Municipal DFOT Coordinators, Contest Administrators, Proctors and TWGs** shall be conducted on Tuesday, December 5, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. A google meet link will be sent to the identified participants an hour before the conference.

8. All teacher-coaches and panel of experts/board of judges, contest administrator and proctors shall attend the Solidarity Meeting on Day 1, December 17, 2023 at 9:00 am at Taloot IS, Argao II. All clarifications, issues and concerns relative to the DFOT shall be addressed during this meeting. Any concerns raised during the actual conduct of the event will no longer be entertained unless valid and necessary.

9. The Program Management Team and the members of the working committees are expected to be at the venue in the morning of Day 1, December 17, 2023 for the registration of participants, solidarity meeting, and preparation of the plenary hall, contest venues and contest materials and supplies. Their first meal shall be breakfast of Day 1, while their last meal shall be afternoon snacks on Day 3, December 19, 2023.

10. Teaching personnel performing their respective DFOT duties and responsibilities on Sunday, December 17, 2023, shall be entitled to service credits tantamount to the services rendered during non-working days, per DepEd Order No. 53, s. 2003 (Updated Guidelines on Grant of Vacation Service Credits to Teachers), while PSDSs and Division Office personnel can avail of Compensatory Time Off (CTO) under the provisions of CSC & DBM Joint Circular No. 2, s. 2004 (Non-Monetary Remuneration for Overtime Services Rendered).

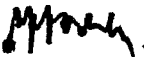

11. Participation in the festival of talents is voluntary, and shall not in any way affect the time-on-task of teachers as this activity's target learning standards and competencies are already embedded in teachers' actual classroom teaching and assessment process.

12. To ensure the safety, health, and well-being of all participants and guests, observance of minimum health protocols shall be implemented such as, but not limited to, social distancing, body temperature monitoring, and sanitation of event premises in compliance with the existing rules and regulations set forth by the Inter-Agency Task Force (IATF).

13. The DFOT Program of Activities, List of Contest Administrators, Proctors, TWGs, Working Committees and other important information relative to the conduct of the SY 2023-2024 GAD-Compliant DFOT will be announced in a separate memorandum.

14. Traveling expenses, meals and snacks, contest materials and other related expenses of Contest TWG members, student participants and teacher coaches shall be chargeable against **local school MOOE/PTA/SEF** or other sources, while traveling and other related expenses of Division Office personnel shall be chargeable against **Division MOOE Funds**. The meals and snacks of the PMT, working committees, panel of experts/judges, honoraria of the board of judges, trophies, medals and certificates, decorations, tarpaulins and other DFOT materials and supplies shall be chargeable against **Division GAD Funds**, subject to their availability and the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

15. This Memorandum serves as Authority to Travel.
16. Wide dissemination of this Memorandum is directed.


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