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DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. 451, s. 2026

**SDO CATANDUANES' PARTICIPATION IN THE 2026 NATIONAL
SCHOOLS PRESS CONFERENCE**

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chief Education Supervisors
CID and SGOD Personnel
Public Schools District Supervisors
Elementary/Secondary School Heads Concerned
(Public and Private Schools)
All Others Concerned

1. In connection with the upcoming 2026 National Schools Press Conference (NSPC) to be held at Ormoc City, Leyte, Region VIII, April 13-17, 2026 pursuant to DepEd Memorandum No. 021, s. 2026 and Regional Memorandum No. 00444, s. 2026, this Office hereby authorized Official Delegates to attend the said activity.
2. The NSPC is an annual competition for campus journalists, pursuant to its mandate under Republic Act No. 7029 or the Campus Journalism Act of 1991. It provides an avenue for an enriching learning experience for learners interested in journalism as a career, promotes responsible journalism and fair and ethical use of various media, and enhances journalistic competence through healthy and friendly competition.
3. SDO Catanduanes will send 46 official participants to the 2025 NSPC that includes top one regional winners in both individual and group events with the official coaches, SDO officials and delegates.
4. Since the activity falls on the end-of-school-year-break (EoS), 7.5 days of Vacation Service Credits (VSC) shall be granted to participating teacher-coaches who will complete the whole duration of the NSPC. However, for those who will not complete it, one hour of actual service rendered shall be equivalent to 1.5 hours of VSC. The granting of VSC shall be in accordance with DO 013, s. 2024, "Revised Guidelines on the Grant of Vacation Service Credits for Teachers".



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5. Schools Division Superintendents (SDSs), Assistant Schools Division Superintendents (ASDSs), Chiefs of the Curriculum Implementation Division (CID), school heads, school paper advisers, coaches, and other school/division/ personnel whose roles are deemed essential and whose presence is directly necessary for the conduct of the event and the welfare of learner-participants, but who are not included in the Region V's official count of 194 participants, shall nonetheless have their attendance recognized as **Official Business**, this is in compliance with directives on streamlined delegation and adherence to energy conservation standards in the conduct of major national events. Said personnel shall be responsible for arranging and shouldering their travel, meals, and board and lodging for the entire duration of their stay in Ormoc City, Leyte, Region VIII. Claims for per diem, travel and other incidental expenses may be charged against division or school's Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses (MOOE), local funds, Special Education Funds, School Campus Journalism Funds, or other available funding resources, subject to existing government accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

6. The 26 student-journalists of SDO Catanduanes in the 2026 NSPC have been provided with subsidized travel expenses (P 360,680.00) already downloaded to the SDO. If the downloaded funds are insufficient to cover the travel expenses of NSPC of student-participants, the school's Maintenance and/or Other Operation Expenses, local funds, Special Education Funds, School Campus Journalism Funds, or other alternative sources of funding may be utilized subject to the relevant accounting and auditing rules and procedures.

7. Coaches, SDO Officials and other NSPC delegates who are part of the NSPC participants shall charge their travel and other incidental expenses to the division or school's Maintenance and/or Other Operating Expenses, local funds, Special Education Funds, School Campus Journalism Funds, or other alternative sources of funding subject to the relevant government accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

8. No registration fee will be collected from the 34 official NSPC participants from SDO Catanduanes. Their board and lodging during the actual conduct of the NSPC shall be charged to DPCJ funds downloaded to the host region.

9. To ensure the safety, health, and well-being of all NSPC participants and delegates, strict observance of minimum health protocols shall be implemented within all activity premises.



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10. The host region and division shall serve meals to the 194 official participants in their billeting school, and provide kits, identification tags, contest materials, and other eligible supplies and materials necessary for the conduct of the different events of the 2026 NSPC. Delegates are expected to arrive at the venue on April 12, 2026, or earlier, as travel permits. The first meal to be served shall be dinner on April 12, 2026, while the last meal shall be afternoon snacks on April 17, 2026.
11. Attached is the official list of delegates of SDO Catanduanes.
12. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

By Authority of the OIC-Schools Division Superintendent:


EVA S. TOLENTINO
Administrative Officer V

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Enclosure No. 1 to Division Memorandum No. 457, s. 2025

**SDO CATANDUANES OFFICIAL DELEGATES TO THE 2026 NATIONAL
SCHOOLS PRESS CONFERENCE (NSPC)**

No.	Names	Schools/Unit
1.	Sean Franco L. Realigue	Ville St. John School
2.	Shyra Mae V. Rima	Ville St. John School
3.	Marvielle Zarene M. Romero	CatSU Laboratory School
4.	Janice L. Icawat	CatSU Laboratory School
5.	Princess Louise B. Matienzo	Virac Pilot ES
6.	Paul John C. Padilla	Virac Pilot ES
7.	Jewel T. Osorio	Juan M. Alberto Memorial ES
8.	Kendralyn Matienzo	Juan M. Alberto Memorial ES
9.	Gio Luis Alistair M. Vargas	Juan M. Alberto Memorial ES
10.	Carl Jacob A. Tabios	Juan M. Alberto Memorial ES
11.	Amia Louise A. Valeza	Juan M. Alberto Memorial ES
12.	Jhulianna S. Presentacion	Juan M. Alberto Memorial ES
13.	Celine A. Ku	Juan M. Alberto Memorial ES
14.	Mary Joy M. Tabuzo	Juan M. Alberto Memorial ES
15.	Joemiguel Zydrik S. Magtangob	San Andres Vocational School
16.	Ma. Arriane B. Sarte	San Andres Vocational School
17.	Jefferson S. Arcilla	Catanduanes National HS
18.	Jian Franco V. Rubio	Catanduanes National HS
19.	Jieshanen A. matienzo	Catanduanes National HS
20.	Axel James Tomes	Catanduanes National HS
21.	Princess Mae G. Tan	Baras Rural Development HS
22.	Emmanuel John B. Vega	Immaculate Conception Seminary Academy
23.	Gabriel Angelo De Guzman	Catanduanes State University
24.	Lhian Jade Tesorero	Baras Rural Development HS
25.	Alyssah Faye T. Odiaman	Viga Rural Development HS
26.	Heart Danielle G. Prilla	Bato Rural Development HS
27.	Jose Joshua M. Ariola	Catanduanes National HS
28.	Joshua Santino Rojas	Catanduanes National HS
29.	Jamilla Pamela Urchella A. Guerrero	Catanduanes National HS
30.	Lenoir Missouri Sapaula	Catanduanes National HS
31.	Alyssa Marie P. Romano	Catanduanes National HS
32.	Kit Valerie M. Brojan	Catanduanes National HS
33.	Maria Erika V. Tablizo	Catanduanes National HS
34.	Aimee O. Soquerata	Catanduanes National HS
35.	Marcelino Matienzo	Viga Rural Development HS
36.	Chocke M. Cabahug	Immaculate Concepcion Seminary Academy



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37.	Princess Venus N. Obo	Baras Rural Development HS
38.	Rica Marie B. Barrameda	CatSU Laboratory HS
39.	Lydel Joy M. Bautista	Bato Rural Development HS
40.	Sophie Joy M. Tabuzo	Juan M. Alberto Memorial ES
41.	Reynold Tarnate	Caramoran Rural Development HS
42.	Renemar B. Perena	Caramoran Rural Development HS
43.	Ver Joshua I. Saberola	Immaculate Concepcion Seminary Academy
44.	Gina B. Pantino	SDO - Curriculum Implementation Division
45.	Romel G. Petajen	SDO - Curriculum Implementation Division
46.	Ma. Jeany T. Abayon	SDO- OSDS



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