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In compliance with DepEd Order (DO) No. 8, s. 2013
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**CONDUCT OF THE 2026 DIWANG: SAGISAG NG KULTURA NG PILIPINAS
COMPETITION**

The Philippine Cultural Education Program (PCEP), in partnership with the Department of Education (DepEd), announces the conduct of the **2026 DIWANG: Sagisag ng Kultura ng Pilipinas Competition** with the following components:

- **2026 DIWANG Balagtasán Competition**
This competition seeks to revive the traditional art of poetry and debate by engaging learners in discussions on contemporary issues.

Deadline for Submission of Entries: August 14, 2026
Registration Link: <https://tinyurl.com/26a3Vs3k>
- **2026 DIWANG Kundiman Competition**
This competition aims to promote and preserve the traditional kundiman as a vital expression of Filipino culture.

Deadline for Submission of Entries: September 4, 2026
Registration Link: <https://tinyurl.com/bdf3xyry>

Participation of learners and teachers from both public and private schools shall be purely voluntary and must not disrupt instructional time. This is in compliance with DepEd Order No. 012, s. 2025, Multi-Year Implementing Guidelines on the School Calendar and Activities; DepEd Order No. 9, s. 2005, Instituting Measures to Increase Engaged Time-on-Task and Ensuring Compliance Therewith; DepEd Order No. 66, s. 2017, Policy Guidelines on Off-Campus Activities; and DepEd Order No. 009, s. 2026, Guidelines on the Implementation of the Three-Term School Calendar in Basic Education, which stipulates that the “Instructional Block” must be strictly dedicated to teaching competencies without extracurricular or administrative interruption.

For reference, attached is the official communication from the National Commission for Culture and the Arts (NCCA) – Philippine Cultural Education Program (PCEP).

For information and strict compliance of all concerned.

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PAMBANSANG KOMISYON PARA SA KULTURA AT MGA SINING

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Greetings from the National Commission for Culture and the Arts (NCCA)-Philippine Cultural Education Program (PCEP)!

The Philippine Cultural Education Program (PCEP), in partnership with the Department of Education (DepEd), will conduct the **2026 DIWANG: SAGISAG NG KULTURA NG FILIPINAS COMPETITION** for the following components:

- **The 2026 DIWANG Balagtasan Competition** intends to revive the traditional arts of poetry and debate by discussing contemporary issues.
Submission on Entries Deadline - August 14, 2026
Registration Link - <https://tinyurl.com/26a3vs3k>
- **The 2026 DIWANG Kundiman Competition** intends to revive and promote the traditional kundiman.
Submission on Entries Deadline - September 4, 2026
Registration Link - <https://tinyurl.com/bdf3xyry>

In connection with this, we would like to request a **DepEd Division Memo/Advisory** to formally announce the program to the regional coordinators, school divisions, city superintendents, and heads of public elementary and secondary schools.

DIWANG aims to introduce, promote, disseminate, and inculcate the importance of Filipino cultural icons to our students, educators, and all Filipinos.

If you have further questions regarding the matter, please don't hesitate to email us at pcep@ncca.gov.ph.

We are hoping for your favorable and immediate response.

Thank you very much.

Truly Yours,


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<https://www.facebook.com/pceppofficial/>
<https://philippineculturaleducation.com.ph/about-pcep/>

Reference: Philippine Cultural Education Program
(PCEP) 2026 Programs - [DM-OUOPS-2026-15-00146 PCEP Project Components](#)

Attachment(s):

1. [2026 DIWANG Balagtasan Contest Guidelines](#)
2. [2026 DIWANG Kundiman Contest Guidelines](#)
3. [2026 DIWANG Balagtasan & Kundiman Contest Guidelines \(pdf\)](#)



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