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**Department of Education**  
REGION IV- A CALABARZON  
CITY SCHOOLS DIVISION OF THE CITY OF TAYABAS

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DIVISION MEMORANDUM  
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**DIVISION FESTIVAL OF TALENTS 2026**

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent  
Chief Education Supervisors  
Heads, Public and Private Elementary and Secondary Schools  
Heads, Unit/Section  
All Others Concerned

1. This Office announces the conduct of the **2026 Division Festival of Talents** with **West Palale National High School** as the main venue, and **West Palale Elementary School, Lawigue Elementary School, and Buenaventura Alandy National High School** as venues for selected events. The date and theme of the activity will be announced in a separate advisory.

2. The 2026 DFOT provides meaningful and authentic learning opportunities for learners to demonstrate multiple intelligences, value-laden talents, and skills as concrete evidence of learning across academic areas, including inclusive and special curricular programs. Specifically, it aims to:

- a. provide a platform for diverse learners from public and private schools to showcase their talents, skills, and innovative projects in various competitions;
- b. cultivate innovative thinking to empower learners to develop critical thinking, problem-solving, and creative abilities through innovative projects and solutions;
- c. enhance learners' oral communication skills by providing opportunities to express ideas fluently and effectively in various speaking tasks;
- d. promote camaraderie and learning to foster a positive and supportive learning environment that encourages healthy competition, collaboration, and the sharing of knowledge and experiences; and
- e. apply knowledge and skills to provide learners with practical opportunities in real-world contexts.

3. The following are the enclosures for reference:


- a. Enclosure 1: General Guidelines
- b. Enclosure 2: Management and Working Committees
- c. Enclosure 3: List of Event Facilitators and Co-Facilitators
- d. Enclosure 4: Terms of Reference
- e. Enclosure 5: Venue per Contest Category

- f. Enclosure 6: Submission Form for the Official List of Participants on or before February 16, 2026 through <https://tinyurl.com/DFOTentry2026>
4. There shall be **NO registration fee** for the 2026 Division Festival of Talents (DFOT). Traveling, meals, and other incidental expenses of the participants shall be charged against the school's MOOE, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations. Meanwhile, the food and other incidental expenses of the judges, Technical Working Group members, and Schools Division Office (SDO) personnel shall be charged against LGU funds.
5. Lead Education Program Supervisors assigned to each learning area are advised to coordinate closely with the working committees to provide details on the conduct of the activity.
6. For more information and clarification/queries, please contact **Joseph Jay U. Aureada**, Education Program Supervisor/2026 DFOT Focal and **Dr. Edwin R. Rodriguez**, Chief Education Supervisor, Curriculum Implementation Division, through Facebook Messenger or email at [josephjay.aureada@deped.gov.ph](mailto:josephjay.aureada@deped.gov.ph)
7. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

For:

**CELEDONIO B. BALDERAS JR.**  
Schools Division Superintendent

By:

  
**CONRADO C. GABARDA**  
Administrative Officer V  
Officer-in-Charge

Encl.: As stated

Reference: None

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index  
under the following subjects:

DFOT  
TALENT AND SKILLS COMPETITION

CID – division festival of talents 2026  
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Enclosure 1:



## 2026 DIVISION FESTIVAL OF TALENTS (DFOT)



### I. GENERAL GUIDELINES

- A. All events will be conducted under specific **contest categories**. Each category includes different events. The following events will be held at the **2026 National Festival of Talents**, while the remaining events will only take place at the **Regional Level** and **Division Level only**.

NFOT EVENTS	RFOT LEVEL ONLY	DFOT LEVEL ONLY
1. Flavor Fame	1. Bayle sa Kalye	Kasaysayan ng Pilipinas Kwiz
2. Bake Cares	2. Tahirawan	Speak-up! (Impromptu)*
3. Techno Fusion	3. Likhawento	Draw and Tell
4. Cabin Craft	4. Lingo Star Quest (Chinese)	Storytelling (Wordless book)
5. DeskMates	5. Lingo Star Quest (Spanish)	
6. Likhawitan	6. HeartLens	
7. Literary Cup (PintaHusay)	7. Story Enders Cup	
8. CineMunti	8. Math Quiz Bee	
9. Pop Quiz	9. Story Enders Cup	
10. Advocacy Pitch		
11. DokyuWento (Bidyokasiya)		
12. Stemazing		

B. Participants are as follows:

- Learner-participants** are basic education learners officially enrolled in public or private schools for School Year 2025-2026. They are expected to showcase multiple intelligences, and value-laden talents and skills as solid evidence of learning across academic areas, inclusive, and special curricular programs, in accordance with the Revised Basic K to 12 curriculum learning standards and competencies.
- Teacher-coaches** are teaching personnel who mentor and guide the learner-participants in preparing for and participating in the DFOT. They shall provide coaching/mentoring sessions, ensure adherence to contest guidelines, foster positive values throughout the competition, and uphold fairness, discipline, and sportsmanship among learner-participants and other participants.
- Non-teaching personnel** composed of **Schools Division Superintendent (SDS), Assistant Schools Division Superintendent (ASDS), Curriculum and Implementation Division (CID) Chief Education Program Supervisor, Division Education Program**

**Supervisors/Focal Persons, School Heads, Medical Staff, and Support Staff.** They provide leadership and administrative assistance to teacher-coaches and learner-participants. They help ensure the smooth flow of preparation and participation in the DFOT, in accordance with assigned roles and responsibilities.

- C. **There shall be registration at the contest venue.** Learner-participants shall submit the following:
1. Parent/ Guardian's Consent Form (Please use the template attached)



**CONSENT FORM FOR PARTICIPATION  
IN THE 2026 DFOT**



**I. Learner-Participant's Information**

- A. Name of Learner-Participant: \_\_\_\_\_  
B. Grade Level: \_\_\_\_\_  
C. School: \_\_\_\_\_  
D. Division: \_\_\_\_\_  
E. DFOT Contest and Event: \_\_\_\_\_

**II. Parent/Guardian's Consent**

I, the undersigned, as the parent/guardian of the above-named learner, hereby give my consent for my child to participate in the 2026 Division Festival of Talents (DFOT). I understand that this event involves activities that may require travel, and I acknowledge that I have been informed of the details, including the schedule, billeting, and event venues, and any risks associated with the event.

I understand that the event will be conducted in accordance with the guidelines and protocols set by the Department of Education (DepEd), and I agree to the terms and conditions set for participation.

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Learner: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Noted by: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Teacher-Coach**  
Signature Over Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Class Adviser**  
Signature Over Printed Name

Approved:

\_\_\_\_\_  
**School Head/Principal**  
Signature Over Printed Name



- D. All official delegates shall receive a Certificate of Participation from the Division Office through the Curriculum Implementation Division and a Certificate of Appearance from the host schools.
- E. Each learner-participant is allowed to participate in only **one (1) contest** category.
- F. The distribution of supplies and materials needed by learner-participants for the contest shall be done at the contest venue a day before the contest. Event facilitators shall claim it to the DTWG. Participants/ contestants are required to be at the contest venue at least two (2) hours before the start of the contest.

**G. Contests Categories and official delegates**

CONTEST CATEGORIES	EVENTS	NO. OF LEARNER PARTICIPANTS	NO. OF TEACHER/ COACH
Technolympics	Flavor Fame (Bangus Spanish Sardines)	3	3
	Bake Cares (BPP)	3	2
	Techno Fusion (Landscape and EIM)	2	1
	Cabin Craft (TD)	1	1
	DeskMates (Carpentry)	2	1
Sining Tanghalan	Bayle sa Kalye	14	2
	Likhawitan	3	1
	Pinta Husay *Literary Cup	1	1
	CineMunti	5	1
Population Development	Pop Quiz (Grade 10)	2	1
	Kasaysayan ng Pilipinas Kwiz* (DFOT level only)	1	1
	Speak-up! (Impromptu)* (DFOT level only)	2	1
Read-a-Thon English	Advocacy Pitch	2	2
	Story Enders Cup	1	1
Read-a-Thon Filipino	Tahirawan	1	1
	Likhawento	1	1
	Bidyokasiya *DokyuWento	1	1
Lingo Stars Quest	Chinese	1	1
	Spanish	1	1
STEMazing	Elementary	2	1
	Secondary	2	1
Math Quiz Bee	Math Quiz Bee	4	4

HeartLens (Secondary level only)	HeartLens: A story the inspires	Maximum of 18 learners may be featured in the video casting) (5 learners will participate during the contest proper)	2
Kindergarten Festival of Talent (Division Level only)	Draw and Tell	Maximum of 2	1
	Storytelling (Wordless book)	Maximum of 2	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>34</b>

#### H. Mechanics for Judging

1. The outputs or performances of participants to be showcased for each contest shall be judged by a minimum of two (2) and a maximum of three (3) members of the panel of experts.
2. For uniformity, each member of the panel of experts shall follow a ranking system to determine the winners for a specific event. The ranks shall be based on the total scores obtained by each learner-participant based on the specific criteria per event.

#### Sample Computation (Per event judge)

Contest Category: _____		
Event: _____		
Member of the Panel of Expert: _____		
Participant	Total Score	Rank
A	95	2
B	92	4
C	97	1
D	88	8
E	72	15
F	68	18
G	91	5
H	85	10
I	86	9
J	60	22
K	66	19
L	63	21
M	78	13
N	89	7
O	55	24
P	70	17
Q	81	12
R	93	3

S	82	11
T	77	14
U	90	6
V	72	15
W	45	25
X	54	23
Y	64	20

- I. All learner-champions and runners-up per contest shall be declared after the sharing of inputs of the panel of experts at the contest venue.
- J. The decision of the panel of experts shall be final and irrevocable.



Enclosure 2:

**2026 Division Festival of Talents – Technical Working Group  
Planning and Contest Committee**

<b>Chairperson</b>	Joseph Jay U. Aureada	EPS, EsP
<b>Vice Chairperson</b>	Sherwin C. Quesea	EPS, MAPEH EPS,
	Christian J. Bables	EPS, Filipino
	Mikael Sandino T. Andrey	EPS, AP
<b>Members</b>	L.C. Richelle F. Quintero	EPS, English
	Michael Leonard D. Lubiano	EPS, Science
	Mildred Z. Galleno	EPS, Kinder, SNED, ALS
	Louie L. Fulleo	EPP/TLE/TVL
	Jerome A. Chavez	EPS, Math
	Generosa F. Zubieta	EPS, LRMDS

<b>Records, Certificate and Result Committee</b>		<b>Food Committee</b>	
Chairperson	Richelle F. Quintero	Chairperson	Louie L. Fulleo
Co-Chairperson	Michael Leonard D. Lubiano Erison D. Albis	Co-Chairperson	Geraldine Constantino
Members	Nicole May Lumanglas Ermelo A. Escobinas	Members	Joan Khaye Talabong Mary Grace Cabili Myra Flores LPIHS/WPNHS TLE Teachers Angelique Joy Estole

<b>Medical Committee</b>		<b>Billeting, Accommodation, and Venue Committee</b>	
Chairperson	Dr. Joan C. Salcedo	Chairperson	Christian J. Bables
Co-Chairperson	Dr. Jayne Paula T. Tulio	Co-Chairperson	Joy Buban-Go Cherry G. Hugo Corazon M. Oabel Wenefredo C. Baylongo
Members	Alelie Padillo Lailani Omlas Mariles Contreras Sharlene Baer	Members	Ariel Cabuyao Engr. Jaypee Escobar

<b>Stage Décor / Sound System Committee</b>		<b>Program Events and Invitation Committee</b>	
Chairperson	Mildred Z. Galleno	Chairperson	Mikael Sandino T. Andrey
Co-	Teofila A. Ocumin	Co-	Regicelle Cabaysa



Chairperson		Chairperson	
Members	West Palale NHS Teachers	Members	Maria Corazon A. Borbon Jerome A. Javin

ICT and Documentation Committee		Registration and Attendance Committee	
Chairperson	Jerome A. Chavez	Chairperson	Generosa F. Zubieta (WPNHS)
Co-Chairperson	Mark Bryan Valencia	Co-Chairperson	Edna E. Eclavea (WPES)
Members	San Mark Morcoso Marlon Argente Kristine A. Plasuelo (WPES) Aivy Mae Sanchez (BANHS) Anna Monica P. Bautista (Lawigue ES) Jecel N. Cabanas(WPNHS)	Members	Mary Margaret C. Quesea (BANHS) La Trisha R. Dalit (Lawigue ES)

Enclosure 3:

**LIST OF EVENT FACILITATORS and CO-FACILITATORS**

<b>EVENT</b>	<b>FACILITATOR</b>	<b>CO-FACILITATOR</b>
<b>Technolympics</b> – Division Event Focal: <b>Louie L. Fulleo</b>		
Flavor Fame (Bangus Spanish Sardines)	Ana Vina Daelo	Paula Talavera
Bake Cares (BPP)	Cherry Lua	Rachelle V. Durante
Techno-fusion (Landscape and EIM)	Jowell Mendoza	Ronaldo Navajas
Cabin Craft (TD)	Geraldine Constantino	Myra Flores
DeskMates (Carpentry)	John Maeco P. Bautista	Ryan Sombrero

<b>Heartlens (RFOT level only):</b> Division Event Focal: <b>Joseph Jay U. Aureada</b>		
A Story that Inspires	Cristopher L. Cablaida	Jess L. Awa Elsa A. Isaga

<b>Sining Tanghalan:</b> Division Event Focal: <b>Sherwin C. Quesea</b>		
Bayle sa Kalye (RFOT level only)	Chrizel Ara Y. Brioso – LPIHS	Cherious Oblea – BANHS May A. Halili - TWCS1 Jocelyn C. Zagala – TECS Lucita L. Estavillo – TECS
Likhawitan *Literary Cup	Jayson Labao – LPIHS	Rolando Navajas – BANHS Johnas Salvan - LPIHS Rossean Villalon - DIS Jaonna Marie T. Javier - BANHS
SineMunti	Iwin kiat L. Sandoval – LPIHS	Sigrid F. Tibordo – LPIHS Alyssa C. Salumbides – LPIHS Jewel S. Olivera - DIS Warren Cablaida – BANHS
Pintahusay	Jennelyn Jardinano – IAES	Jessa Nina P. De Silva – TECS Arriane A. Pabilonia – CES Gaylani L. Miranda – Potol ES



<b>Population Development:</b> Division Event Focal: <b>Mikael Sandino T. Andrey</b>		
Kasaysayan ng Pilipinas Kwiz* (DFOT level only)	Cherry G. Hugo	Nezsi Garcia Aldwin Rea Dexter Caagbay Jezreel Valdeavilla
Pop Quiz	Raymund O. Hugo	Amelia Nanong Ruel Cabuyao Maria Gela Lleva Miguela A. Cabangon
Speak-up! (Impromptu)* (DFOT level only)	Roberta Esmiller	Renilda Javal Maria Edessa Contreras John Carlo Leynes

<b>Read – A – Thon (English):</b> Division Event Focal: <b>L.C. Richelle F. Quintero</b>		
Advocacy Pitch	Jojo J. Oabel	Maria Madel C. Rubia Michaela R. Rada Mary Joy B. Talavera
Story Enders Cup (RFOT level only)	Glenda A. Capistrano	Christine V. Cabuyao Christine B. Salazar Maria Lyra H. Tabernilla

<b>Read – A – Thon (Filipino):</b> Division Event Focal: <b>Christian J. Bables</b>		
Likhawento (RFOT level only)	Democrito Cabile-Pandakake IS	Neil Orven Talavera-LPIHS Sherly Moreno-LPIHS Maricar Umbrete-Fracia-Dapdap IS
Tahirawan (RFOT level only)	Cynthia S. Zorilla-LPIHS	Arlene R Oabel-LPIHS Simplicio Rato-Ilasan IS Christian Joy Gragas-BANHS
Bidyokasiya *DokyuWento	Jasmin Flores-Dapdap IS	Jerico Nañez-TWCS-1 Carmela Veluz-Valencia ES Annadel Gob-TWCS-3

<b>Lingo Star Quest:</b> Division Event Focal: <b>L.C. Richelle F. Quintero</b>		
Spanish (RFOT level only)	Wareen Cablaida	Shierley Olar
Chinese (RFOT level only)	Allan Immanuel U. Ortiz	Allysa Joy Gigantoni Aivy Mae Sanchez

<b>STEMAZING:</b> Division Event Focal: <b>Michael Leonard D. Lubiano and Jerome A. Chavez</b>		
Elementary	Ronan R. Ranillo/ Ronald O. Hugo	Mariell E. Cesario/ Reniel N. Cabuyao
Secondary	Marvin J. Rosales/ Josephine B. Ramos	Maricel Abella/ Jacinta R. Abulencia

**Math Quiz Bee (RFOT level only):** Division Event Focal: **Jerome A. Chavez**

Secondary	Josephine B. Ramos	Jacinta R. Abulencia
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**Kindergarten Festival of Talent (Division Level only)**

Division Event Focal: **Mildred Z. Galleno**

Draw and Tell	Jenie C. Salvatiera (TWCS I)	Jeewel C. Labitigan (Calumpang Integrated School)
Storytelling (Wordless book)	Nica Princess Borongan (TECS)	Ayessa P. Losloso (TWCS III)



Enclosure 4:

**Terms of Reference**

**A. Event Facilitator**

1. Facilitate the opening and awarding program of their assigned events.
2. Check and submit the attendance form and ensure the eligibility of the learners
3. Check the tools, equipment, materials, and paraphernalia to be used in the event.
4. Ensure the safety and security of learners.
5. Ensure the completeness and readiness of events venue.
6. Prepare and submit the Certificate Protocol Form to the Division EPS Event Focal and facilitate the awarding of certificates.

**B. Event Co-Facilitator**

1. Identify the sequence of participants through the drawing of lots.
2. Act as timekeeper.
3. Assist the event facilitator and Judges in the event.
4. Act as documenter and submit pictures and videos to the head of documentation committee.
5. Prepare the scoresheet (printed and electronic) to be used by the judges.
6. Collaborate with the records and results committee for the Final List of RFOT Qualifier.

**C. Judge**

1. Evaluate the output/performances of the learners.
2. Provide feedback to enhance learners' skills.
3. Submit the official result to the Event Facilitator/ Division Event Focal.

**D. Medical Committee**

1. Ensure the safety of all DFOT participants.
2. Provide first aid procedures if necessary.
3. Coordinate with SDO officials and Local Government Units in securing the availability of medical resources and facilities.

**E. Records, Certificate, and Result Committee**

1. Facilitate the provision of certificate of appearance, certificate of participation and certificate of recognition by collaborating with the Division Event Focal.
2. Collect and consolidate the official results from the Event Facilitators after the conduct of each event.
3. Prepare and submit the list of official entry of SDO Tayabas to 2026 RFOT.

**F. Programs Events and Invitation Committee**

1. Design and distribute the printout of 2026 DFOT program and invitation to the concerned individuals, LGU Officials, DepEd Officials.
2. Provide a Video teaser for the 2026 DFOT.
3. Design tarpaulins for each event.

**G. Registration and Attendance Committee**

1. Consolidate and collect certified registration and attendance form.

2. Collaborate with the Records and Results committee and Certificate Committee.
3. Coordinate with the Programs Events and Invitation committee

H. Food Committee

1. Provide and submit three (3) sets/copies of complete and certified meal attendance.
2. Devise a mechanism in distributing meals and snacks to DTWG.
3. Facilitate and ensure the completeness of all signatures in the documents.
4. Collaborate with the Division Event Focal for the official and verified list of DTWG.
5. Request service vehicle for food distribution.

I. Billeting, Accommodation, and Venue Committee

1. Ensure the safety and security of participants.
2. Collaborate with the School Heads of the Host Schools to ensure organized accommodation of the 37 participating schools.

J. Stage Decoration and Sound System Committee

1. Collaborate with the program committee in designing the stage for the opening program.
2. Collaborate with the Host School Committee to prepare the physical arrangements and smooth flow of the program.

K. ICT and Technical Committee

1. Ensure the availability, functionality, and proper setup of ICT equipment (sound system, laptops, projectors, microphones, screens, internet connection, etc.) in all venues.
2. Provide technical support during the opening program, events, awarding ceremonies, and other official activities.
3. Coordinate with the Program Committee, Event Facilitators, and Documentation Committee to ensure smooth technical operations and backup systems.
4. Coordinate with the Certificate Committee and Awards and Recognition Committee to ensure accuracy of names, rankings, and awards.
5. Document all official activities of the 2026 DFOT through photos and videos, including the opening program, events, and awarding ceremonies.
6. Collect, organize, and archive photos and videos submitted by Event Co-Facilitators and other assigned documenters.
7. Submit selected, labeled, and properly captioned documentation materials to the Division Event Focal and concerned committees for official use and reference, such as but not limited to the highlights of the 2026 DFOT video presentation.



Enclosure 5:

**VENUE PER CONTEST CATEGORY**

Event /Activity	Contest Venue
Opening Program	West Palale National High School Covered Court
SINING TANGHALAN	
Bayle sa Kalye	West Palale National High School
Likhawitan	
Pintahusay- Literary Cup	
Cinemunti-Part 1 & 2	
POPULATION DEVELOPMENT	
Pop Quiz	BANHS
Kasaysayan ng Pilipinas Kwiz* (DFOT level only)	
Speak-up! (Impromptu)* (DFOT level only)	
READ-A-THON ENGLISH	
Advocacy Pitch	Lawigue ES
Story Enders Cup	
LINGO STARS QUEST	
Contact Person -	BANHS
Chinese	
Spanish	
TECHNOLYMPICS	
Flavor Fame	West Palale ES
Bake Cares	
Techno-Fusion	
Cabin Craft	

DeskMates	
STEMAZING	
Elementary	West Palale National High School
Secondary	
MATH QUIZBEE	
Elementary	West Palale ES
READ- A-THON FILIPINO	
Tahirawan	Lawigue ES
Likhawento	
Bidyokasiya	
HEARTLENS	
A Story That Inspires ( A.M.)	BANHS
Kindergarten Festival of Talent (Division Level only)	
Draw and Tell	BANHS
Storytelling (Wordless book)	