



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
CARAGA REGION

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REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

No. 0084 , s. 2026

To: Schools Division Superintendent
All Others Concerned

2026 REGIONAL ACADEMIC AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT (RASD)

1. **Activity Overview.** The Department of Education-Caraga Region, through the Curriculum and Learning Management Division (CLMD), will hold the 2026 Regional Academic and Skills Development (RASD) on February 16–20, 2026, in Nasipit, Agusan del Norte, featuring contested events anchored on the theme: **“Creative Expression, Credible Journalism: Empowering Learners in a Digital World.”**

2. **Objectives.** The activity aims to provide meaningful opportunities for learners from public and private elementary and secondary schools, as well as those enrolled in the Alternative Learning System (ALS), Indigenous Peoples Education (IPEd), Special Needs Education (SNEd), and the Madrasah Education Program (MEP), to showcase their talents and skills. It also seeks to enrich the educational experience by celebrating the diverse creativity, cultural heritage, and holistic development of Caraga learners.

3. **Pre-Activity Coordination (Solidarity Meeting).** A Solidarity Meeting for all RFOT events will be on February 15, 2026, from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the designated contest venues. The activity shall be facilitated by the Regional Office (RO) Focal Persons and Technical Working Group (TWG) members, with participation of SDO focal persons, coaches, and learner-contestants, to ensure alignment on guidelines and coordination of activities.

4. **Opening Program.** The Opening Program shall be conducted in the afternoon of February 16, 2026, at the Nasipit Central Elementary School grounds. All participants representing the 12 Schools Division Offices (SDOs) are enjoined to wear their official delegation uniforms.

5. **Billeting and Accommodation.** Each Schools Division Office (SDO) shall be assigned to designated billeting quarters (see Enclosure 1). Host schools shall provide basic accommodation, sleeping gear, amenities, and security. Assigned SDOs must strictly observe billeting protocols.

6. **Financial Support and Subsidy.** Each SDO shall provide ₱15,000.00 as subsidy for water and electricity of its assigned billeting school. If an SDO is assigned to two billeting schools, the amount shall be divided equally. For Non-Implementing Unit (Non-IU) schools, the funds shall be downloaded to SDO Agusan del Norte. For Implementing Unit (IU) schools, SDOs may directly download the subsidy to the respective billeting schools.

7. **Transportation Support.** The host division/municipality shall provide one free vehicle per SDO from February 17-19, 2026.

8. **Environmental Activity (Tree-Planting).** A Tree-Planting Activity shall be conducted on February 17, 2026, from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., with participants to be determined by the respective Schools Division Superintendents. The Division of Agusan del Norte shall designate contact person/s to coordinate logistics, assembly points, and planting sites with the CLMD, ESSD, and the LGU of Nasipit.

9. **Health and Safety Measures.** All participants and delegates must bring umbrellas, raincoats, or other appropriate rain gear to ensure comfort and protection during the parade. The host SDO/district shall ensure that medical teams are strategically stationed along the parade route and at key activity areas to provide immediate assistance when needed.

10. **CTO and Service Credits.** All participants shall be entitled to a two-day Compensatory Time-Off (CTO) and Vacation Service Credits for activities on February 15, 2026 (Sunday) and February 17, 2026 (holiday), pursuant to DepEd Order No. 013, s. 2024, LOI No. 1509, and CSC Memorandum Circular No. 41, s. 1998.

12. **Post-Activity Planning (NFOT Preparation).** Initial planning for the Skill Enhancement Activity for the 2026 NFOT shall be conducted immediately after the Closing Program on February 19, 2026, with event focal persons, winning coaches, and learners.

13. **Additional References and Enclosures.** Refer to enclosures for detailed information and guidance.

14. **Funding Source.** Travel, meals, snacks, and other incidental expenses shall be charged against the MOOE, local funds, LGU funds or Program Support Funds, subject to existing COA rules and regulations.

15. **Contact Person.** For inquiries and other concerns, contact Mr. Bernabe L. Linog, Chief Education Program Supervisor, Curriculum and Learning Management Division (CLMD), at clmd_caraga@deped.gov.ph.

16. **Dissemination.** Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is highly desired.

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Director IV
Regional Director

Encl.: As stated
Reference: None

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BILLETING ASSIGNMENT

Schools Division Office (SDO)	Billeting School
Agusan del Norte	Mateo Abao CES/Triangulo ES
Agusan del Sur	Talisay SPED Center
Bayugan City	Buenavista SPED High School
Bislig City	Buenavista NHS
Butuan City	Agong-ong ES, Agong-ong NHS/ Cogon CES
Cabadbaran City	Culit Elementary School and HS
Dinagat	Camagong Elementary School
Siargao	Punta Elementary School
Surigao City	Matabao Elementary School
Surigao del Norte	Carmen CES
Surigao del Sur	Buenavista CES
Tandag City	Carmen NHS
RO TWG	Nasipit National Vocational School



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2026 REGIONAL ACADEMIC AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT
Schedule of Activities

Date	Time	Activity	Venue
January 20, 2026	8:00-5:00 PM	Interview of Outstanding Campus Journalists and School Paper Advisers	RO-CLMD Office
February 15, 2026	8:00 AM-5:00 PM	Checking of laptops and SD Cards	SMCC
February 15, 2026	1:00-5:00 PM	Solidarity Meeting (RFOT Events)	Contest Venues
February 16, 2026	8:00 AM	Bayle Sa Kalye Street Dancing	TBA
February 16, 2026	1:00 PM	Mass	St. Michael's Parish
February 16, 2026	2:30 PM	Assembly for Parade	Verzosa Park to RHU
February 16, 2026	3:00 PM	Opening Parade	TBA
February 16, 2026	3:30 PM	RASD 2026 Opening Program	NaCES Ground
February 16, 2026	5:00 PM	Bayle sa Kalye Competition	NaCES Ground
February 16, 2026	8:00 -12:00 PM	RSPC Individual Events	SMCC
February 16, 2026	1:00-5:00 PM	Radio Broadcasting	SMCC
February 16, 2026	8:00-5:00 PM	Musabagah	Northwestern Agusan Colleges
February 16-18, 2026	8:00 AM-5:00 PM	Techno Fusion (Elementary)	Nasipit National Vocational School (NNVS)
February 17, 2026	8:00 AM-5:00 PM	Read-A-Thon (English)	Nasipit National Vocational School (NNVS)
February 17, 2026	8:00 AM-5:00 PM	SNEd Expo	Nasipit Central ES
February 17, 2026	8:00 AM-5:00 PM	Pintahusay	DSWD Building (First Floor)
February 17, 2026	8:00 AM-5:00 PM	Lingo Stars	Northwestern Agusan Colleges (NAC)
February 17, 2026	8:00 AM-5:00 PM	Bidyokasiya	Nasipit National Vocational School (NNVS)
February 17, 2026	3:00 PM- 5:00 PM	Tree Planting	Municipality of Nasipit
February 17, 2026	6:00 PM	Mayor's Night	Nasipit Municipal Gymnasium
February 18, 2026	8:00 AM-5:00 PM	Likhawento	Nasipit National Vocational School (NNVS)
February 18, 2026	8:00 AM-5:00 PM	Tahirawan	Nasipit National Vocational School (NNVS)
February 18, 2026	8:00 AM-5:00 PM	STEMazing (Elementary and Secondary)	Northwestern Agusan Colleges (NAC)
February 17-18, 2026	8:00 AM-5:00 PM	RSPC Concurrent Sessions	Nasipit Municipal Gymnasium
February 18, 2026	8:00 AM-5:00 PM	HistoPop	DSWD Building (Second Floor)
February 18, 2026	3:00 PM- 7:00 PM	Recognition of Excellence in Journalism Ceremony	SMCC Covered Court
February 19, 2026	8:00 AM-12:00 NN	Awarding of School Paper Contest	SMCC Covered Court
February 19, 2026	1:00-5:00 PM	RFOT Closing Program	Nasipit Municipal Gymnasium
February 20, 2026	8:00 – 12:00 NN	RSPC Awarding of Individual and Group Events (Elementary)	SMCC Covered Court
February 20, 2026	8:00 – 12:00 NN	RSPC Awarding of Individual and Group Events (Secondary)	Nasipit Municipal Gymnasium