



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
CARAGA REGION

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REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

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To: Schools Division Superintendents
All Others Concerned

INVITATION TO THE 2ND NATIONAL CREATIVITY AND INNOVATION
AWARD (NCIA) MINDANAO VIRTUAL EDITION

1. The International Creativity and Innovation Award (ICIA), a global learning platform designed for young innovators to practice problem-solving skills addressing the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) organizes the 2nd National Creativity & Innovation Award (NCIA) Mindanao Virtual Edition. This initiative serves as the official national selection camp for the Philippine delegation to the ICIA 2026 Global Round in Cambodia.
2. The competition is open to students aged 9-17 enrolled in public and private elementary and secondary schools for the school year 2025-2026. Participants may join in the Innovation Challenge and Innovation Award Categories. The details of the competition can be found in the attached invitation letter.
3. Participation to the competition is voluntary and shall adhere to the "Non-disruption of Classes Policy of the Department." All expenses related to participation in the competition shall be borne by the participant and charged to personal funds.
4. For immediate dissemination.

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Encl.: As stated

Reference: None

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index

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