



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
CARAGA REGION

MAY 22, 2026

REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

No. 0499, s. 2026

To: Schools Division Superintendents
All Others Concerned

ACTIVATION OF IDENTIFIED LEARNER RIGHTS AND PROTECTION OFFICERS
FOR PALARONG PAMBANSA 2026

1. In line with the Department of Education's commitment to upholding a zero-tolerance policy against all forms of abuse, violence, exploitation, discrimination, and bullying, this Office announces the **activation of Identified Learner Rights and Protection (LRP) Officers** for the upcoming **2026 Palarong Pambansa**. Deployment starts on **May 20, 2026** until **May 31, 2026**.

2. The activation of the LRP Officers aims to safeguard the welfare, safety, and rights of all student-athletes, student-delegates, and athletes from the Caraga Delegation, as well as visiting delegations within the playing venues and billeting quarters.

3. The designated LRP Officers shall perform the following duties and responsibilities:

- a. **Operationalize Playing Venue Safety:** Conduct regular monitoring of playing venues to ensure they remain safe and child-friendly spaces where learner-athletes are assigned and protected.
- b. **Incident Management:** Receive, document, handle, and refer reported cases of child abuse, bullying, or harassment in accordance with existing DepEd Child Protection Policies (DO 40, s. 2012) and LRP protocols.
- c. **Enhance Incident Response:** Provide technical "first-response" interventions, including immediate Psychological First Aid (PFA) and intake interviews when necessary.
- d. **Ensure Policy Compliance:** Align all event-based learner protection activities with national child protection policies and the 4Rs (Recognize, Record, Report, and Refer).
- e. **Coordinate and Report:** Coordinate closely with local authorities and medical teams for swift responses to emergencies and report all cases recorded to the Palarong Pambansa Disciplining Committee for appropriate action.
- f. **Nightly Operations Review:** Attend a nightly meeting with the Disciplining Committee and the Provincial Child Protection Committee to ensure smooth operations, assess field situations, and determine operational facets that require immediate improvement.

4. The list of Identified Regional and Division Learner Rights and Protection Officers are detailed in **Enclosure No. 1** of this memorandum.

5. The identified personnel shall be officially billeted at the **PSDWD Office in Patin-ay, Prosperidad, Agusan del Sur**. Please be advised that **meals will not be provided** at the billeting station; hence, all food expenses incurred shall be subject to the standard reimbursement under the daily per diem allowance.
6. Traveling expenses, per diem, and other incidental expenses incurred by the LRP Officers relative to their deployment during the national sports event shall be charged against local funds / Division / PSF downloaded by the Regional Office, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.
7. This Memorandum shall serve as the official **Travel Authority** of the identified personnel for the duration of the said activity and for the purpose of claiming their respective travel expenses.
8. For clarifications and concerns, please contact the Regional Learners Rights and Protection Focal Person, Giro Paolo Misael V. Almendralejo, at giropaolomisael.almendralejo@deped.gov.ph, or the Alternate Focal Person, Ms. Leah Ellen V. Yaoyao at leahellen.yaoyao@deped.gov.ph
9. Immediate dissemination of this memorandum is desired.

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(Enclosure No. 1 to Regional Memorandum No. 0499, s. 2026)

1. Bayugan City:

Name	Playing Venue	Playing Event
Coleen Tandayag	ACE Sports Centre	Badminton
Lily-Dell L. Catane	San Lorenzo Ruiz Function Hall	Chess
Genevieve S. Verceles	Lope A. Asis Memorial Gymnasium	Basketball Elementary Boys
Ma. Mitch T. Malazarte	Salvacion City Dome	Wushu
Jocelyn S. Basnillo, RPM, RGC	Bayugan City Dome	Wrestling
Maria Kristine Elizabeth H. Mangyan	Bayugan City Convention Center	Taekwondo

2. Bunawan:

Name	Playing Venue	Playing Event
Lucille P. Menor	ASSCAT Socio-cultural Gym	Gymnastics MAG and WAG
Shara May T. Pedroso		
Maribel B. Salavdico	Zotico Madonay Cultural Center and Sports Complex (Municipal Gym)	Gymnastics Aero
Ariel B. Guillen		

3. Rosario

Name	Playing Venue	Playing Event
Jennefer Alerta	Eutiquio O. Bade Sr. Sports and Cultural Center	Pencak Silat
Burt M. Obedencio		

4. San Fransisco

Name	Playing Venue	Playing Event
Retchel D. Generoso	PERA-MPC Open Field	Baseball
Maryline A. Basilio		
Roxanne May T. Tuazon	ASELCO Function Hall	Arnis
Sheila Mae Paluca		
Florence C. Bagnol	San Francisco Gym	Futsal
Sarah Jane Rele		
Rhea Angelie G. Pulido	Alegria Covered Court	Futsal
Richard Davide		
Christine Joy S. Camigue	Bitan-agan Covered Court	Paragames Goalball
Jobie G. Pongcol		

5. Talacogon

Name	Playing Venue	Playing Event
Gil G. Ducena	Open Space Labing, Talacogon	Archery
Grissom M. Saballa		
Rey Lawrence G. Glico	Del Monte Evacuation Center	Basketball Secondary Girls
Ramilo M. Osigan		
Doris F. Caburrubias	Talacogon Municipal Gym	Table Tennis
Joseph D. Gales		

6. Prosperidad

Name	Playing Venue	Playing Event
Rovers Español	EOC Evacuation Center	Basketball Secondary Boys
Eliakem B. Revil, MBA	Agusan del Sur National Science High School Covered Court	Basketball 3-3
Anne Bella L. Pedrosa	Datu Lipus Macapandong Gov D.O Plaza Sports Complex (Athletic Field/Oval)	Athletics
Lyndee D. Ong	Near Aquatic Center, Gov D.O Plaza Government Center	Athletics (Throwing Event)

Ross Charo Lacre	Provincial Engineering Compound, Gov. D.O Plaza Government Center	Volleyball
Nenita Bonne Karmyl Batisil	Datu Lipus Makapandong Gov D.O Plaza Covered Court	Dance Sport
Mariennelle R. Recamara	Provincial Engineering Compound, Gov. DO Plaza Government Center	Billards
Annie C. Salibay	Datu-Lipus Makapandong Governor D.O Plaza Sports Complex (back of 2 nd Grand Stand and Covered Court)	Gymnastics (Rhythmic)
Burt M. Obedencio	Tennis Area near PPIO, Gov D.O Plaza Government Center (6 courts)	Tennis
Grissom M. Saballa	Provincial Evaciation Center, Gov D.O Plaza Government Center	Weightlifting

7. Agusan del Sur Division Office (Dug-out Billeting Quarter)

- a. Jenny-Vi B. Logronio
- b. Carl Janson Sapon
- c. Dexter D. Pamaong
- d. Mery Jean C. Brua