



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
CARAGA REGION



October 10, 2023

REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

No. 0979, s. 2023

To: SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS
This region

UPDATES ON RM NO. 0917, S. 2023 RE: 2023 DEPED CARAGA
STORYBOOK AND COMICS WRITING COMPETITION
ON DRRM-CCA

1. Per instruction in the competition mechanics requiring all SDOs to endorse/submit three (3) final copies (hard copies) of the entries, SDOs are now allowed to submit only one (1) hard copy for both contests provided that a soft copy shall be sent to this office in advance thru Email address: megnon.beldad@deped.gov.ph on or before October 16, 2023, for initial judging.
2. The judging of entries shall be done simultaneously from October 16-18, 2023, with the following criteria:
 - *Characterization (10 pts.)* - Does the author create believable, memorable characters with the uniqueness, complexity, and individuality of real people? Do you respond to the characters either positively or negatively? Does the main character respond to and influence events?
 - *Plot (20 pts.)* - Has the author constructed a clear, convincing, and compelling storyline with a recognizable arc of conflict, crisis, and resolution? Are obstacles to be overcome sufficiently challenging to the protagonists? Do you feel tension mounting in the story? Is the resolution innovative, credible, and authentic?
 - *Theme (30 pts.)* - Does the story contain a central or dominating theme? How well is the message integrated into the story?
 - *Imaging and Writing Quality (30 pts.)* - Does the quality of the author's prose and deftness in handling point-of-view enhance the story? Do specific details appeal to your senses and hold your attention? Does the rhythm of the prose enhance the meaning? Are metaphors and similes skillfully employed?
 - *Passion (10 pts.)* - Does this story engage your emotions? Have you come to care deeply about the characters and what happens to them? Is your mind



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and spirit stimulated and enlightened by the experience of reading this story?

3. The top 3 winners shall be announced through a regional memorandum on Oct. 18, 2023, and are expected to join the "2023 DepEd Caraga Regional Educator's and Youth Leader's Summit on Climate Action" closing program at 3:00pm on October 19, 2023.
4. Only one or two representatives are invited to attend the awarding program, preferably the winning writers/illustrators.
5. Be informed as well that there shall be no accommodation for the winners/illustrators, and partners invited. SDOs may provide accommodation charged to their local funds or use the slots allotted for them (no more than 6 persons per SDO).
6. SDOs are also encouraged to submit a 1 minute video (time-lapsed) on the process of creating the storybook or comics for inclusion to the 2-hour online streaming via FB page, shared to other ROs and SDOs nationwide.
7. For other related concerns, your staff may contact the Regional DRRM Coordinator, Megnon P. Beldad, at the telephone nos. indicated below.
8. For immediate dissemination.

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Director III
Officer-in-Charge
Office of the Regional Director

BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE REGIONAL DIRECTOR:

JOEL B. ROSALES
Chief Administrative Officer

Encl/s.: NONE

Reference/s: NONE

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

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