



**November 22, 2016**

**DIVISION MEMORANDUM**

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**JOINT ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY ENGLISH FEST 2016**

To: Assistant Superintendents  
Division Supervisors/ Coordinators  
District Supervisors/ OICs  
Elementary and Secondary School Heads  
Heads of Private Elementary and Secondary Schools

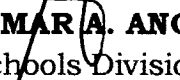
1. To spread the season's cheers and in keeping with the National Reading Month celebration, this Office announces the conduct of the **Joint Elementary and Secondary English Fest 2016** with the theme, "Beating the Odds this Yuletide 2016". The conduct of the cluster activity shall follow the schedule below, while the date and venue of the **Division Joint Elementary and Secondary English Fest** shall be announced later.

Cluster	Date	Host
South (SE and SW)	November 29, 2016	Sibonga District
North (NE and NW)	December 1, 2016	Medellin District

2. Participants to this Joint English Festival are the pupils from Grades 3-6 and students from Grades 7-11 in both public and private elementary and secondary schools. Elementary pupils shall compete in Read-A-Thon, Story Retelling, Spelling Bee, Essay Writing and Extemporaneous Speaking. At the same time, Grade 7 students shall compete in Read-A-Thon, Grade 8 in Cosplay, Grade 9 in Spelling Bee, Grade 10 in Essay Writing, while those in Grade 11 shall join the Extemporaneous Speaking contest.

3. They are all required to observe strictly the contest mechanics and guidelines set for the different categories. Read-A-Thon for Grade 7 students shall observe the same procedure as that of Grade 6 pupils. Coaches, pupils, students and members of Contest Committees are enjoined to come to the venue on time so issues can be readily resolved and competitions can start immediately.

4. The Top Six Winners in the individual contest categories and Read-A-Thon shall qualify for the Division Level.
5. A registration fee of **Five Hundred Pesos** (Php 500.00) shall be charged each delegation, either district or municipal, to defray the cost of stage decoration, sound system, contest materials, judges' honoraria, meals, snacks and medals.
6. Registration, travel, meals and other expenses incurred by participants shall be charged to **SEF/School MOOE/PTA Funds**, subject to their availability and the usual accounting, as well as auditing rules and procedures.
7. This Memorandum shall serve as the Participants' Authority to Travel.
8. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum is hereby directed.

  
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