



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
CORDILLERA ADMINISTRATIVE REGION
SCHOOLS DIVISION OFFICE OF BAGUIO CITY

8 June, 2021

DIVISION MEMORANDUM
No. 163 s. 2021

**DIVISION ONLINE ESSAY-WRITING CONTEST IN ENGLISH AND
FILIPINO**

To : CID and SGOD Chief Education Supervisors
Public School District Supervisors
Education Program Supervisors
Public and Private School Heads
All Schools Division Office Personnel
All Others Concerned

1. Pursuant to Regional Memorandum No. 234 s. 2021 this office will conduct the **Division Online Essay Writing Contest for Grades 9 and 11 in Filipino and Grades 10 and 12 in English.**
2. The objectives of this activity are to:
 - a. provide an opportunity for Grades 9, 10, 11 and 12 learners to demonstrate their writing skills;
 - b. develop in these learners their critical thinking and ability to express their thoughts clearly and logically; and
 - c. encourage active participation among the learners despite this pandemic.
3. The schools Division Office shall conduct a Division wide Online Essay Writing Contest following the mechanics stipulated in Enclosure 1 of this memorandum. First Place winners for each required grade level in English and Filipino shall qualify for the Regional level online contest.
4. The said activity is open to both public and private schools offering Junior and Senior high schools.
5. For guidance, the timeline is as follows:

ACTIVITY	DATE
Information dissemination through a Division Memorandum	June 9, 2021
District level	June 21, 2021
Submission of District Entries to the Division	June 22, 2021 5:00 PM (only 1 entry per district)
Judging of Entries in the Division level	June 27, 2021
Announcement of Division Winners through a Division Memorandum	June 29, 2021
Submission of Division Entries to the Regional office	June 30, 2021, 5:00 PM



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Judging of Entries and Consolidation of Winners for the Regional level	July 1 to 12, 2021
Announcement of Regional winners through a Regional Memorandum	July 14, 2021

- ❖ Entries submitted by the SDOs are the entries to be honored at the Regional Office.
- 7. Non- compliance with the provisions stipulated in this Division Memorandum shall be a ground for disqualification.
- 6. Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

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Enclosure no. 1 to Division Memo No. 163 s. 2021

GUIDELINES AND MECHANICS DIVISION ONLINE ESSAY WRITING CONTEST

a. Contestants shall choose only one theme from any of the following topics. Content of the essay shall revolve on the chosen topic. The topic shall be different from the title of the essay.

English:

- Overcoming the challenges of distance learning in this pandemic
- Maintaining my mental and emotional health amidst this health crisis
- My quarantine diaries...a recount of unforgettable events during the lockdown

Filipino:

- Napagtatagumpayan ang mga hamon ng "distance learning" sa panahon ng pandemya
- Pananatilihin ko ang aking mental at emosyonal na kalusugan maski sa panahon ng krisis sa pangkalusugan
- Ang aking talaarawan sa quarantine... kuwentong hindi makalilimutan sa mga pangyayari noong lockdown

b. The essay must be encoded in Filipino for Grades 9 and 11 and in English for Grades 10 and 12 following a minimum of 500 words and maximum of 800 words.

c. The essay must follow the five (5) paragraph structure: Introduction. 3 body paragraphs and conclusion.

d. The lay-out must be guided by the following:

- a. Long-sized document (8.5" x 13")
- b. Space between lines - 1.5"
- c. Margins: left - 1.5", right-1", top-1.5", bottom-1"
- b. Font style: Cambria
- c. Font size: 12
- d. Orientation: portrait

e. Criteria for Judging:

- a. 50% Content (relevance with reference to the theme, there is oneness of thought and there is meaning)
- b. 30% Form/style/grammar
- c. 20% Originality and unpublished document



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