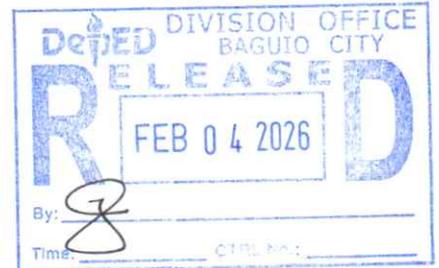




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ADVISORY NO. 006,2026

“2026 YMCA ACADEMIC OLYMPICS LOCAL SELECTION”

February 4, 2026

In compliance with DepEd Order No. 8, s. 2013
this advisory is issued not for endorsement per DO 28, s. 2001
but only for the information of DepEd Officials, personnel, staff, as well as the
concerned public. (visit www.deped.gov.ph)

In line with the request of the invitation of the YMCA Baguio Inc. on the conduct
of the **“2026 Academic Olympics Local Selection”** with the theme **“Building a
stronger future-ready YMCA: Living Vision 2030 with Inspired Action and Lasting
Impact across the Philippines”** that will be held on **February 21, 2026**.

Relative to this, private and public Elementary Schools, Junior and Senior High
Schools, as well as Colleges and Universities, will be invited to participate in this year’s
Academic Olympics Local Selection for the National YMCA Academic Olympics.

Enclosed are the details for your reference and information. Participation and
expenses on the said activity is personal and voluntary and shall be subjected to the
“non-disruption of classes” policy stipulated in DepEd Order No. 9, s. 2005, titled
“Instituting Measures to Increase Engaged Time-On-Task and Ensuring Compliance
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For information and guidance.



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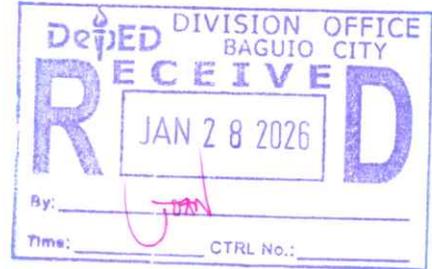
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Dear Ma'am:

Greetings from the YMCA of the City of Baguio, Inc.

The Young Men's Christian Association of the City of Baguio, Inc. in enhancing its programs for youth development as mandated by its mission in developing young leaders in the community, wishes to inform you of the conduct of the **"2026 YMCA ACADEMIC OLYMPICS LOCAL SELECTION" on February 21, 2026**, a tri-level literary-musical competition for elementary, high school, and tertiary students, with the theme **"Building a stronger future-ready YMCA: Living Vision 2030 with Inspired Action and Lasting Impact across the Philippines"**

The Academic Olympics, which aims to provide a venue for the development of the mind, body, and spirit where students can share their talents and skills in the arts and sciences, as well as their experiences and insights, to help the youth be more responsive to the needs of time, is an annual program of the YMCA of the City of Baguio, Inc., which is coordinated with the Department of Education, Division of Baguio City.

Relative to this, private and public Elementary Schools, Junior and Senior High Schools, as well as Colleges and Universities, will be invited to participate in this year's Academic Olympics Local Selection for the National YMCA Academic Olympics.

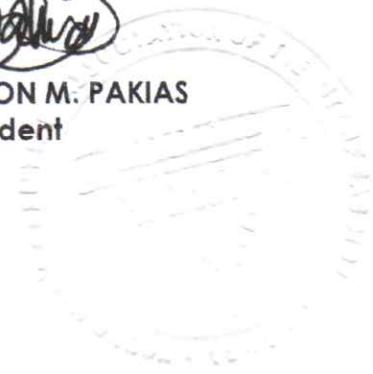
In this regard and knowing your concern for youth development, may we humbly request the endorsement of the above-mentioned activity by the Department of Education, Division of City Schools through your good office to the different private and public Elementary Schools, Junior and Senior High Schools in Baguio City.

Thank you very much, as we look forward to your unending support and partnership for the youth we serve.

Respectfully yours,

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YMCA ACADEMIC OLYMPICS LOCAL SELECTION

Theme	:	"Building a stronger future-ready YMCA: Living Vision 2030 with Inspired Action and Lasting Impact across the Philippines"	
Date	:	February 21, 2026	
Venue	:	YMCA of the City of Baguio Inc.	
Registration Fee	:	Membership Registration and/or Renewal Only of Expired ID's	
		ADVISERS/COACHES: Corporate Membership	@Php 300.00/yr.
		Elementary (Red Triangle Y 6-12 yrs old)	@Php 50.00/yr.
		Junior HS (High Y 13-17 yrs old)	@Php 75.00/yr.
		Senior HS (College Y 18-20 yrs old)	@Php 100.00/yr.
		College (Corporate 21yrs old & above)	@Php 300.00/yr.

General Objective:

To train holistically a wide spectrum of young people from both Public and Private Schools and bring them together for a mutual sharing of experiences, insights, and visions toward making the mission of the YMCA more responsive to the needs of times.

Specific Objectives:

1. To provide an appropriate venue where the talents of the youth may be fairly developed, harnessed and sustained;
2. To provide an opportunity where participants can share, articulate and sharpen their understanding on issues and concerns of local, regional and national relevance;
3. To provide a medium for wholesome fellowship among the youth members/participants in order to strengthen the relationship of individual members and inter-movement cooperation.

Terms & Conditions:

1. **Only duly registered YMCA members shall be qualified to join.**
2. A pupil/student who has been awarded in the past with a gold medal (Champion) in a particular event and still belongs to the same club level shall no longer be allowed to take part in the same contest event in any succeeding year.
3. Further, a contestant who has been awarded and recognized or has participated in any YMCA event and or competition, be it nationally or internationally, shall not also be allowed to participate.
4. To encourage participation of gifted and talented students, a school is only allowed to register one entry or contestant for an individual or group event in each level.
5. Contestants are prohibited to wear their school and uniforms or identifying marks during the contest. Only number tags/marks duly prepared by the contest committee shall be used for identification purposes. Failure to comply with this term shall mean disqualification.
6. **Punctuality is a must.** All participants are expected to be at the contest venue an hour before the competition starts. Late comers in a particular event shall be disqualified.
7. All contestants are prohibited to carry electronic devices in the contest venue and during the competition.
8. All entries (art works and literary pieces) shall become the property of the YMCA of the City of Baguio Inc.
9. **The Hi-Y Club shall be composed of students from Grades 7 to 12, comprising both Junior and Senior High School levels.**
10. Participation in **two categories** by the same contestant is not allowed.
11. Any violations on whatever is stipulated in the rules and regulations is a ground for immediate disqualification.
12. The **Coaches/Advisers' Meeting** will be held on **February 19, 2026 (Thursday), at 6:00 p.m.**, at the **YMCA Board Room.**
13. **NO PROTEST.** All decisions of the members of the Board of Judges shall be final, therefore, unappealable.



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Events:

1. Red Triangle Club	No. of Participant
a. Vocal Solo	1
b. Essay (English)	1
c. On-the-Spot Drawing	1
d. Quiz Bee	2
e. Bible Quiz	1
2. Hi-Y Club (Grade 7-12)	No. of Participant
a. Vocal Solo	1
b. On-the-Spot Drawing	1
c. Oration	1
d. Extemporaneous Speaking	1
e. Essay (English)	1
f. Quiz Bee	2
g. Bible Quiz	1
3. College-Y Club	No. of Participant
a. Vocal Solo	1
b. Oration	1
c. Extemporaneous Speaking	1
d. On-the-Spot Drawing	1
e. Essay (English)	1
f. Quiz Bee	2
g. Bible Quiz	1

Prizes in each Event:

1. Medals (Gold, Silver & Bronze) and Certificate of Merit for top three winners.
2. Certificates of Participation/Recognition for Participants and or Advisers.

Determination of Winners: Rank System

A school that garners the **overall highest number of points with complete entries** shall be declared the **Champion**. In the event that a school with the highest number of points has **incomplete entries**, the title shall be awarded to the **next school in rank** with complete entries. The same rule shall apply in determining the **First Runner-up, Second Runner-up, and Third Runner-up**, based on the next highest number of points among schools with complete entries.

Computation of Points

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	Participation
Group	25	20	15	10
Individual	10	7	5	3

CONTEST RULES AND REGULATIONS

A. VOCAL SOLO (ALL LEVELS)

1. The contestant is free to choose his/her song piece. It must be in an **OPM Tagalog**. Rap or Rock songs and even narrations are not allowed. Accompaniment of the piece shall be prepared in a FLASHDRIVE or Mobile Gadget (with universal android port/shareit app installed).
2. The public address system shall be used in the performance.
3. All FLASHDRIVES or Mobile Gadgets must be submitted to the sound system operator/in charge twenty (20) minutes before the contest commences. Each Flashdrive or Mobile Gadget's music file shall be labeled with the number of the contestant, properly cued and ready to be played.
4. Criteria:



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Voice Quality	40%
Rhythm	20%
Phrasing	15%
Vocal Dynamics & Style	15%
Stage Department	10%

B. ORATION (Hi-Y and College - Y)

1. The subject of the speech contest shall revolve on the **general theme** of the Local Academic Olympics.
2. All speeches must be delivered in English without the aid of a public address system.
3. Delivery time shall not be less than (5) minutes but not more than seven (7) minutes. A deduction of one (1) point from the total points garnered by the participants for every excess of one (1) minute shall be applied.
4. All contestant must submit (5) copies of their piece to the Contest Committee. It must be computerized font **Times New Roman 12** on a letter-sized (8.5x11) white bond paper, double spaced an hour before the contest starts. Failure to submit such shall be a ground of disqualification for the contestant.
5. Criteria:

Delivery (style, voice, gesture, pronunciation)	40%
Content & Organization	20%
Mastery	10%
Relevance to the Theme	20%
Manner & Stage Presence	

C. EXTEMPORANEOUS SPEAKING (Hi-Y and College - Y)

1. All speeches must be delivered in English.
2. The generic question to be discussed by the contestant shall be determined by the Contest Committee.
3. Each contestant shall be given three (3) minutes to prepare for his/her piece and three (3) minutes to deliver it. A deduction of one (1) point from the average grade for every excess of one (1) minute shall be applied. Contestants shall be isolated from the contest venue and shall be called one by one for their own delivery.
4. No participant shall be allowed to read from his/her note to carry with him/her any electronic device.
5. Criteria:

Content - 50%	
Organization	30%
Relevance to the Theme	20%
Delivery- 50%	
Voice & Diction	20%
Poise and Stage Presence	10%
Effectiveness & Impact	20%

D. ON-THE-SPOT DRAWING (Red Triangle Club, Hi-Y and College - Y)

1. The subject matter to be drawn shall be decided by a committee organized for this purpose.
2. The subject matter will be given 5 minutes before the contest starts.
3. **The Contest Committee shall provide the ¼ illustration board and pencil.**
4. **Each contestant shall provide his/her own drawing materials. Oil pastel shall be the prescribed medium to be used.**
5. **Drawing time shall be two (2) hours.**



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6. All entries shall become the property of and shall be kept under the custody of the YMCA of the Philippines.

7. Criteria:

Originality	20%
Concept	30%
Color	30%
Relevance to the subject matter	20%

E. ESSAY WRITING: English (All Levels)

1. All contest articles must be written in English containing no less than 300 words but must not exceed 500 words.
2. All articles must revolve around a subject matter which shall be made known to the contestants ten (10) minutes before the contest period.
3. The contestants shall be allowed to compose their articles for a period of one (1) hour only.
4. All contestants must bring with them black pens. No contestant shall be allowed to carry with him/her any writing items, e.g. papers, notes or any electronic device, etc. Pieces of contest paper shall be provided to each contestant as their entry number.
5. Criteria:

Content - 50%	
Organization	25%
Originality	15%
Effectiveness	10%
Form - 50%	
Grammar	30%
Style	20%

F. QUIZ BEE (All Levels) – 2 members per team

The subject areas for this contest shall be the following:

Science (Ecology), Math, Current Events and YMCA Facts

IMPORTANT

1. A total of 25 questions shall be asked in the Quiz Bee.
2. The contest committee shall provide the questions. 5 questions will be asked for each subject matter for a total of 25 questions.
3. All questions shall be by the multiple-choice.
4. Contestant shall write their answer on the board provided by the committee in-charge of the contest.
5. A ten (10) second allotment is given to the contestants for them to answer each question except for Math questions requiring computations where thirty (30) seconds is allotted. Countdown starts after the quizmaster has read the question twice and said "GO". Proctors will immediately check the answers of the contestants.
6. Top three teams will emerge as winners on the basis of point system.
7. In case of ties, the "sudden death" will be applied.

G. BIBLE QUIZ BEE (All Levels)

G.I. Red Triangle Club (Individual)

The questions shall be based from the **Gospels** of general terms on people, places and events using the **New International Version**.

G.II. Hi-Y (Individual)

The questions shall be based from **Acts and Epistles** of general terms on people, places and events using the **New International Version**.



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GIII. College - Y (Individual)

The questions shall be based from the **Old Testament Pentateuch** of general terms on people, places and events using the **New International Version**.

IMPORTANT

1. A total of 21 questions shall be asked in the Bible Quiz Bee.
2. The contest committee shall provide the questions. Questions shall refer to people, places and events only.
3. All questions shall be by the multiple-choice.
4. Contestant shall write their answer on the board provided by the committee in-charge of the contest.
5. A ten (10) second allotment is given to the contestants for them to answer each question. Countdown starts after the quizmaster has read the question twice and said "GO". Proctors will immediately check the answers of the contestants.
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