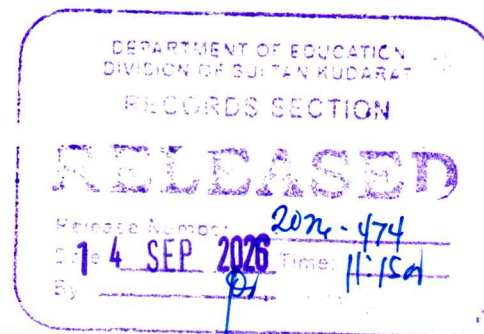




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September 10, 2022

DIVISION MEMORANDUM

SGOD-YFS No. **178** s. 2026

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CONDUCT OF DIVISION LEARNERS' CONVERGENCE 2026

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chiefs of Functional Divisions
Public Schools District Supervisor
Public Secondary and Elementary School Heads
Private Secondary Principals
This Division

1. The Department of Education, Schools Division Office of Sultan Kudarat, through the SGOD-Youth Formation Section, shall conduct the Division Learners' Convergence 2026 at the Notre Dame of Isulan Gymnasium on **September 25-27, 2026**.
2. This convergence aims to provide learner-leaders with meaningful opportunities for collaboration, leadership development, and holistic growth through interactive sessions, creative contests, and symbolic youth formation activities that foster unity, responsibility, and service.
3. The participants to this activity shall include the Supreme Secondary Learner Government (SSLG), Supreme Elementary Learner Government (SELG), Barkada Kontra Droga (BKD) and Youth for Environment in Schools Organization (YES-O) Officers and members, together with other school club and organization presidents and their respective teacher-advisers. Each secondary school shall be allowed a maximum of twenty-five (25) participants, while for the elementary level, each district shall be allowed a maximum of thirty (30) participants, or as indicated in the official pre-registration link.
4. The participation of private high schools will depend on the confirmation of the selected schools as determined by their respective school principals.
5. Participants and chaperones are advised to bring their own bedding, tent, water tumbler, medicine kit, and other essential supplies.
6. A registration fee of One Hundred Pesos (P100.00) shall be collected from each participant to defray the expenses that will be incurred during the activity. The registration fees collected shall be remitted through their respective federation associations.
7. All participants are required to secure Parental Consent and Waiver Form. Teacher-advisers shall collect the duly accomplished forms from all participants of

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their respective schools. No participant shall be allowed to join without the submitted consent and waiver.

8. A uniform template for the Participant ID shall be provided through the official group chat (GC). Participants shall be responsible for printing their own IDs for use during the activity.

9. School heads of identified participants shall make the necessary adjustments and modifications in the classroom program to minimize disruption of classes during the scheduled activity. The one-day class interruption shall be compensated through a make-up class, to be scheduled by the concerned school, in order to ensure that the affected learning competencies and instructional time are adequately addressed.

10. Teacher-advisers participating in this activity shall be entitled to two (2) days service credits in accordance with DepEd Order No. 13, s. 2024, Revised Guidelines on the Grant of Service Credits for Teachers while nonteaching participants are eligible for Compensatory Time Credit (CTC) under CSC-DBM Joint Circular No. 2, s. 2004 titled Non-Monetary Remuneration of Overtime Services.

11. For your reference, attached are the program matrix, guidelines, and criteria for the different contests, list of technical working group, and list of participants.

12. Food, travel, and incidental expenses to be incurred by the participants will be covered by their respective school MOOE/local fund subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

13. For queries and clarifications, all concerned may contact **SHEILA MAE G. DELOS REYES**, PDO I/Division Youth Formation Coordinator through contact number 09667397517, or **REMOS G. BACLAAN**, PDO I/Division Youth Formation Coordinator through contact number 09763407657.

14. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired


ROBERTO J. MONTERO, CESO V
Schools Division Superintendent

Incl: As stated

Reference: None

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

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DIVISION LEARNERS' CONVERGENCE 2026
LIST OF TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP

NO.	NAME	POSITION	OFFICE/SCHOOL
1	Karol Joy G. Latoza	PDO II	SDO
2	Princess May-Ann Andang	COS	SDO
3	Jennifer J. Vidal	ADAS III	Kalanawe II NHS
4	Jessie R. Gumawa	T-I	Isulan NHS
5	Eulan R. Parreño	T-VI	Esperanza NHS
6	Ralph Geronimo	MT-IV	Bagumbayan NHS
7	Satar Unggad	T-III	Kapaya ES
8	Rosalie E. Ercilla	AO II	Sultan Sinangayan IS
9	Aladin T. Katug	PDO I	Palimbang Central School
10	Crystal Kaye Delos Reyes	COS	SDO
11	Ritchie C. Tupaz	Teacher I	Sta. Clara National High School
12	Gregorio B. Ogoc	Teacher III	Sta. Clara National High School
13	Michael A. Suson	Teacher III	Sabanal National High School
14	Francis Earl F. Dillo	Teacher I	Kalamansig National High School
15	Joel Dela Cruz	Teacher II	Sangay National High School
16	Janrey C. Pagador	Teacher I	Ala National High School
17	Dorian Mae N. Albaladejo	Teacher I	Limulan Integrated School
18	Ryan D. Surita	Teacher III	Sabanal National High School
19	Aivy T. Basbas	Teacher I	Sangay National High School
20	Katherine Mae S. Ancheta	Teacher II	Madanding National High School
21	Jomar Bermudez	Teacher III	Laguilayan Central School
22	Arthur B. Pinto	Teacher I	Kanipaan Elementary School

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GUIDELINES AND CRITERIA TORCH PARADE AND YELLING COMPETITION

TORCH PARADE

A. Objective

The Torch Parade aims to foster unity, solidarity, leadership, discipline, camaraderie, and pride among the participating municipalities. The torch shall symbolize the light of knowledge, hope, service, and responsible youth leadership.

B. Participants

1. All participating municipalities in the Division LearnCon 2026 shall be represented in the Torch Parade.
2. The number of participants per municipality shall be based on the official delegation prescribed by the Division LearnCon Organizing Committee.
3. Every participant shall be required to bring and carry one (1) torch during the parade.
4. Each municipality shall designate a Torch Leader/Torch Bearer who may lead the municipal contingent.
5. Each municipality shall identify its official contingent leader/coordinator.

C. Torch Requirements

1. Each participant must bring one (1) torch.
2. The torch shall be **LED light-based, battery-operated, glow-stick type, or any other non-flammable and safe lighting material.**
3. Torches may be creatively designed using safe materials such as:
 - LED lights
 - Battery-operated lights
 - Glow sticks
 - Rechargeable lights
 - Decorative paper, cardboard, plastic, or other lightweight materials
4. Participants from the same municipality are encouraged to use uniform or coordinated torch designs to establish a strong municipal identity.
5. The torch may incorporate the name, colors, symbols, culture, landmarks, or other representations of the participating municipality.
6. The torch should be lightweight, easy to carry, and safe for use in a large crowd.
7. **The use of actual fire or open flame is STRICTLY PROHIBITED.**
8. The following materials are strictly prohibited:

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- Candles
 - Gasoline
 - Kerosene
 - Alcohol or other flammable liquids
 - Firecrackers
 - Fireworks
 - Sparklers
 - Gas-powered lighting devices
 - Any torch containing an open flame or combustible fuel
9. **No participant shall be allowed to join the Torch Parade carrying a torch with actual fire.**
10. The Organizing Committee and safety marshals reserve the right to **inspect and reject any torch that is considered unsafe or does not comply with these guidelines.**

D. Parade Guidelines

1. Each municipal contingent shall proceed along the designated parade route in an organized formation.
2. **All participants shall carry their individual LED/non-flammable torches throughout the parade.**
3. Participants shall wear their prescribed **municipal/contingent attire.**
4. Each contingent shall maintain proper formation, spacing, and coordination.
5. **All participants are required to perform their prepared yell, chant, or cheer while marching during the parade.**
6. The yell/chant should reflect the **identity, values, leadership, unity, and community spirit** of the participating municipality.
7. Coordinated movements, hand gestures, rhythmic steps, and formations may be incorporated into the yell, provided these do not compromise safety.
8. Participants shall demonstrate **energy, enthusiasm, discipline, teamwork, and municipal pride** throughout the parade.
9. Participants shall follow the instructions of parade marshals, safety personnel, and event officials at all times.
10. No participant shall swing, throw, point, or use the torch in a manner that may cause injury or inconvenience to others.
11. No contingent shall intentionally obstruct, disrupt, intimidate, or interfere with another municipal contingent.
12. All participants shall observe proper conduct, courtesy, sportsmanship, and respect throughout the activity.



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E. Criteria for Judging – Torch Parade

✓ Torch Design, Creativity, and Uniformity	-	30%
✓ Yell/Chant – Energy, Power, and Vocal Projection	-	25%
✓ Formation, Coordination, and Synchronization	-	20%
✓ Discipline and Deportment	-	15%
✓ Overall Impact	-	10%
TOTAL		100%

Note: The Torch Parade and Yelling are considered an **integrated presentation**. Judges shall evaluate the overall performance of the municipal contingent while carrying their LED/non-flammable torches and performing their yell/chant during the parade.

YELLING COMPETITION

A. Objective

The Yelling Competition aims to showcase the energy, creativity, unity, confidence, teamwork, leadership, and municipal pride of learners representing their respective municipalities.

B. Participants

1. ALL OFFICIAL DELEGATES OF EVERY PARTICIPATING MUNICIPALITY SHALL BE THE PARTICIPANTS IN THE YELLING COMPETITION.
2. There shall be NO SEPARATE SELECTION OF YELLING PARTICIPANTS from the municipal delegation.
3. Every official delegate is expected to actively participate in the yell presentation.
4. Each municipality may designate a **Yell Leader/Lead Cheerer** to facilitate and lead the presentation.
5. The municipality's official delegation shall be considered one competing unit.

C. Yelling Competition Guidelines

1. Each municipality shall prepare an yell, chant, or cheer.
2. The yell must promote:
 - ✓ Unity and camaraderie;
 - ✓ Municipal pride;



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- ✓ Youth leadership;
 - ✓ Teamwork and cooperation;
 - ✓ Positive values; and
 - ✓ The spirit and objectives of Division Learners' Convergence 2026.
3. Filipino, English, and/or the local language may be used.
 4. The maximum performance time shall be **five (5) minutes**.
 5. All delegates must actively participate through singing, chanting, movements, gestures, or other appropriate forms of presentation.
 6. The presentation should demonstrate strong:
 - ✓ Vocal projection;
 - ✓ Energy and enthusiasm;
 - ✓ Synchronization;
 - ✓ Creativity;
 - ✓ Confidence; and
 - ✓ Teamwork.
 7. **PROPS, MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS, SOUND SYSTEMS, OR OTHER PERFORMANCE ACCESSORIES SHALL BE ALLOWED.**
 8. Dangerous stunts, lifts, throws, pyramids, or movements that may cause injury are strictly prohibited.
 9. The following are prohibited:
 - ✓ Profanity or offensive language;
 - ✓ Discriminatory or derogatory statements;
 - ✓ Personal attacks;
 - ✓ Political propaganda;
 - ✓ Sexually suggestive gestures or movements; and
 - ✓ Insults directed toward other municipalities or participants.
 10. All performances must uphold respect, sportsmanship, inclusivity, and responsible youth leadership.
 11. The decision of the Board of Judges shall be final and irrevocable.

D. Criteria for the Yelling Competition

• Energy, Power, and Vocal Projection	-	25%
• Creativity and Originality	-	20%
• Synchronization and Team Coordination	-	20%
• Theme Relevance and Message	-	15%
• Performance Presence and Confidence	-	10%
• Overall Effect	-	10%



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TOTAL - **100%**

E. Time Limit and Penalty

1. Maximum performance time: 5 minutes.
2. Exceeding the prescribed time shall incur a 1-point deduction for every 30 seconds or fraction thereof beyond the time limit.

GENERAL SAFETY AND SPORTSMANSHIP

1. The safety of all delegates shall be the primary consideration.
2. Only LED, battery-operated, rechargeable, glow-stick, or other non-flammable torches shall be allowed.
3. NO ACTUAL FIRE OR OPEN FLAME SHALL BE PERMITTED.
4. The Organizing Committee and Safety Marshals may inspect torches and props before the activity.
5. Any participant carrying a fire-based or unsafe torch shall not be allowed to use it during the parade.
6. Serious or repeated violations of safety and competition rules may result in point deductions or disqualification.
7. All participants are expected to uphold the DepEd Core Values: Maka-Diyos, Makatao, Makakalikasan, at Makabansa.

AWARDS

1. Torch Parade

- ✓ Best Municipality in Torch Parade
- ✓ Best Torch Design
- ✓ Best Yell/Chant During Parade
- ✓ Most Disciplined Contingent

2. Yelling Competition

- ✓ Champion – Best Municipal Yell
- ✓ 1st Runner-Up
- ✓ 2nd Runner-Up
- ✓ Best Yell Leader
- ✓ Most Creative Yell



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IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

- ❖ ONE PARTICIPANT = ONE TORCH
- ❖ LED / BATTERY-OPERATED / NON-FLAMMABLE TORCH ONLY
- ❖ NO FIRE. NO OPEN FLAME.
- ❖ ALL OFFICIAL DELEGATES = YELLING COMPETITION PARTICIPANTS
- ❖ EVERY DELEGATE MUST YELL/CHANT DURING THE TORCH PARADE



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RULES, GUIDELINES AND CRITERIA

MR. & MS. LEARNCON

2026

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1. Each participating municipality shall send one pair of candidates, consisting of one male and one female candidate to represent their respective municipality.
2. The candidates must meet the following requirements:
 - A bona fide student for S.Y. 2026-2027
 - With good moral character
 - With good scholastic standing
4. Each candidate must prepare the following attire for the contest:
 - a. Production Number – SSLG/SELG uniform (no more additional accessories and headdress)
 - b. School Uniform
 - c. One-minute advocacy speech
 - d. Eco-Friendly/Recyclable Attire
5. The candidates shall be judged in the following categories:
 - a. Best in Production Number
 - b. Best in School Uniform
 - c. Best in Advocacy
 - d. Best in Eco-Friendly/Recyclable Attire
 - e. Best in Interview
6. No professional make-up artist shall be allowed to handle the candidates from participating secondary schools. The glam team must be composed of official members of the school delegation during LearnCon. Only one designated room shall be provided for the make-up session, and the organizers shall conduct an inspection to verify that the individuals assisting the candidates are bona fide members of the school delegation.
7. For elementary school participants, recognizing the difficulty of organizing a student glam team, the school may opt to hire a professional make-up artist at its own discretion. However, all expenses related to the hiring of a make-up artist shall be shouldered by the participating school and shall not be charged to or reimbursed by the organizers.
8. There will be one set of questions to be answered by the candidates during the Eco- Friendly Attire segment.
9. The winners shall represent the Sultan Kudarat Division in the upcoming Regional LearnCon.
10. A ranking system will be used in the tabulation of scores/ratings.
11. In case of a tie, the corresponding points will be considered.

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12. The criteria for judging each category are as follows:

A. BEST IN PRODUCTION NUMBER

Grace and certainty during performance -----	25%
Beauty -----	20%
Poise and Bearing -----	20%
Form and Projection -----	25%
Audience Impact -----	10%
TOTAL	100%

B. BEST IN SCHOOL UNIFORM

Beauty-----	25%
Poise and Carriage-----	25%
Form and Projection -----	25%
Appropriateness-----	25%
TOTAL	100%

C. BEST IN ADVOCACY

Content / Relevance -----	30%
Organization / Structure-----	20%
Delivery / Stage Presence -----	20%
Advocacy -----	30%
TOTAL	100%

D. BEST IN ECO-FRIENDLY

Poise and Bearing -----	25%
Use of recyclable materials-----	25%
Environmental Message-----	25%
Creativity/Originality -----	25%
TOTAL	100%

E. BEST IN INTERVIEW

Stage Presence -----	10%
Wit & Intelligence -----	40%
Content -----	40%
Delivery/Deporment/Diction -----	10%
TOTAL	100%

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13. The computation for the overall winner will follow the ranking system based on the different exposures;
- a. Production Number
 - b. School Uniform
 - c. Advocacy
 - d. Eco-Friendly
 - e. Interview
14. Major Titles during the Search Proper
- MR. LearnCon 2026
 - MS. Learncon 2026
 - 1st Runner-Up
 - 2nd Runner – Up
15. The judge's decision is final and irrevocable.



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Rules, Guidelines and Criteria
DRAG RACE QUEEN

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1. Each participating Municipality shall send one to three (1-3) representative to the competition.
2. Each contestant shall prepare and wear an original outfit appropriate for the competition. The attire should be creative, presentable, and suitable for a school-based event.
3. The competition shall consist of two major segments:
 - A. Ramp/Runway Segment (Contestants shall showcase their prepared outfits through a runway presentation.)
 - B. Lip Sync Battle
4. Contestants shall be grouped into pairs for the preliminary lip sync battles.
5. The music will be played once the battle begins.
6. Judges shall select the winner of each battle.
7. Winners shall advance to the succeeding rounds until only two finalists remain.
8. The two finalists shall compete in the Final Lip Sync Battle to determine the Drag Race Queen 2026.
9. Contestants shall first present their runway look, followed by the lip sync battle.
10. The official songs for the Lip Sync Battle shall be selected from the following:
 - "Physical" – Dua Lipa
 - "Sorry Not Sorry" – Demi Lovato
 - "Telephone" – Lady Gaga feat. Beyoncé
 - "Release Me" – Agnes
 - "Fire" – 2NE1
11. The music for each battle shall be selected by the organizers and announced before the start of the corresponding round.
12. Criteria for Judging:
 - A. Runway Segment**

• Confidence & Stage Presence	-	30%
• Catwalk & Modeling Skills	-	25%
• Creativity & Styling	-	20%
• Runway Performance & Entertainment	-	15%
• Overall Impact	-	10%
TOTAL	-	100%
 - B. Lip Sync Battle**

• Lip Sync Accuracy & Musical Interpretation	-	30%
• Stage Presence & Confidence	-	25%
• Creativity & Performance	-	20%
• Facial Expression & Emotional Delivery	-	15%
• Overall Entertainment & Impact	-	10%
TOTAL	-	100%
13. A ranking system will be used in the tabulation of scores/ratings.
14. The judge's decision is final and irrevocable.

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VARIETY SHOW
(for elementary only)

1. Each municipality shall present a Variety Show composed of a minimum of fifteen (15) and a maximum of thirty (30) performers.
2. The use of props is permitted, if they are safe and do not pose any risk to performers or the audience. The use of pyrotechnics, open flames, explosives, and other hazardous materials or equipment is strictly prohibited.
3. Each performance must have a duration of not less than three (3) minutes and not more than five (5) minutes. Performances that exceed or fall short of the prescribed time limit may be subject to deductions as determined by the organizers.
4. The Variety Show may feature a combination of dance, singing, drama, instrumental performances, spoken word, cultural presentations, or other creative acts. Entries are encouraged to showcase the talents, culture, and creativity of their respective teams.
5. All performances must observe proper decorum and should be suitable for a general audience. Content that is offensive, discriminatory, obscene, or otherwise inappropriate shall not be permitted.
6. The decision of the Board of Judges shall be final and irrevocable.

Criteria for Judging

Criteria	Percentage
Performance (Execution, Coordination, Stage Presence, and Audience Impact)	40%
Creativity and Originality	30%
Variety and Entertainment Value	20%
Costume, Props, and Overall Visual Presentation	10%
TOTAL	100%