



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
Region V
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF SORSOGON

November 07, 2025

DIVISION MEMORANDUM
No. **335**, s.2025

**DIVISION CULMINATING ACTIVITY FOR THE 33rd NATIONAL CHILDREN'S MONTH
CELEBRATION: "HOPE REELS: STORIES OF HEALING, RESILIENCE, AND
EMPOWERMENT" FILM FESTIVAL**

TO: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chief Education Supervisors, CID and SGOD
All Public Schools District Supervisors
All Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads
All Others Concerned

1. Corollary to Republic Act No. 10661, otherwise known as the "*National Children's Month Act*," and in observance of the 33rd National Children's Month (NCM) this November 2025, this Office through the School Governance and Operations Division – Youth Formation Division joins the nation in celebrating the theme: "OSAEC-CSAEM Wakasan: Kaligtasan at Karapatan ng Bata, Ipaglaban!" which aims to address the grave and growing issue of Online Sexual Abuse and Exploitation of Children (OSAEC) and Child Sexual Abuse and Exploitation Materials (CSAEM).
2. In this connection, the Schools Division of Sorsogon Province will spearhead the Children's Month 2025 Film Festival titled: "Hope Reels: Stories of Healing, Resilience, and Empowerment" with the tagline: "*Let their light shine beyond the shadows*" which aims to inspire young filmmakers among learners within the Schools Division of Sorsogon to produce short films that shed light on the importance of safeguarding children's rights and protecting them from online abuse and exploitation, while highlighting their strength, healing, and resilience in overcoming challenges and reclaiming their voices.
3. Each municipality shall be entitled to one (1) official entry for the Children's Month 2025 Film Festival. In the event that multiple entries are submitted within the same municipality, a municipal-level elimination shall be conducted to determine the official representative. The municipal-level elimination shall be facilitated by the Public Schools District Supervisors (PSDSs) of the respective municipality.
4. Film Entry Specification:

Video Resolution:	1920 x 1080 (Full HD)
Audio:	48KHz DVD Quality
Format:	MP4 Video H.264 codec encoding
Max running time:	10 mins
5. All entries must be **consolidated at the municipal level on or before November 21, 2025**, prior to the elimination and endorsement to the Schools Division Office (SDO). The **submission of official entries to the SDO shall be on or before November 25, 2025**.



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6. Criteria for Judging:

Criteria	Indicators	Points
Artistic Merit	Originality and creativity in storytelling; visual composition and cinematography; sound design and musical score; direction and editing quality	25
Thematic Relevance	Alignment with the festival's theme; depth and clarity of message	20
Technical Excellence	Production quality (lighting, sound, effects); professionalism in acting and crew work; effective use of film language (camera angles, pacing, transitions)	15
Narrative Strength	Coherence and structure of plot; character development and dialogue; emotional engagement and audience impact	20
Audience Appeal	Entertainment value or emotional resonance; potential for discussion or reflection	10
Compliance and Ethics	Adherence to copyright and legal standards; respectful depiction of cultures, identities, and beliefs; age-appropriate content	10

Total

100

7. Prizes:

Award	Cash Prize (P)
Best Picture	10,000.00
1st Runner-Up	8,000.00
2nd Runner-Up	5,000.00
Best Actor/Actress in a Leading Role	1,000.00
Best Actor/Actress in a Supporting Role	1,000.00
Best Director	1,000.00
Best Cinematographer	1,000.00



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Best Story Writer	1,000.00
Consolation Prizes	1,500.00

8. The screening and awarding ceremony will be held during the **Division Culminating Activity of the 33rd National Children's Month Celebration on November 28, 2025, at the Bulwagan ng Karunungan**, DepEd Sorsogon Province Building, Sorsogon City. The list of participants for the Division Culminating Activity are as follows:

Category	Number of Participants
Top Management	4
Public Schools District Supervisors (PSDSs)	28
School Heads (of schools with official entries)	14
Learners from schools with official entries (4 per school × 14 schools)	56
DFSSLG Officers	7
Teacher-Advisers of DFSSLG	7
Judges	5
Section Chiefs	9
SGOD Personnel and TWG	20
Total	150

9. For information, guidance and compliance.


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