



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

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**DIVISION MEMORANDUM**

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**2024 DIVISION SCHOOLS PRESS CONFERENCE IN THE ELEMENTARY AND  
SECONDARY LEVELS**

To: Asst. Schools Division Superintendent  
Chief Education Supervisors  
Education Program Supervisors  
Public Schools District Supervisors/ OIC-PSDSs  
Public and Private Elementary and Secondary School Heads  
School Paper Advisers & Campus Journalists  
All Others Concerned

1. This Office, through the Curriculum Implementation Division shall spearhead the conduct of the 2024 Division Schools Press Conference (DSPC) in the Elementary and Secondary Levels on January 07-09, 2025 at Irosin Central School and Gallanosa National High School, Irosin, Sorsogon.
2. Conducted annually and in pursuant to RA 7079 or the Campus Journalism Act of 1991, this year's gathering of campus journalists and their school paper advisers-coaches banners the theme "Resilience in the Face of Change: Amplifying Local Narratives in the Province."
3. The activity, involving campus journalism enthusiasts from both private and public elementary and secondary schools shall be conducted to:
  - a. demonstrate understanding of journalism through skillful execution in print, broadcast and online platforms;
  - b. recognize the role of journalism in advocating for social consciousness and environmental awareness;
  - c. promote fair and ethical use of media as tenets of responsible journalism;



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- d. foster camaraderie and enrich learning experiences through healthy and friendly competitions; and,
  - e. provide opportunities for learners to use skills learned in campus journalism for their future careers.
4. The DSPC activities shall include the following:

<p>a. Individual Contests (English and Filipino, elementary and secondary)</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Newswriting</li> <li>2. Editorial Writing</li> <li>3. Sports Writing</li> <li>4. Copyreading and Headline Writing</li> <li>5. Science and Technology Writing</li> <li>6. Photojournalism</li> <li>7. Editorial Cartooning</li> <li>8. Feature Writing</li> <li>9. Column Writing</li> </ol>
<p>b. Group Contests</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Radio Scriptwriting and Broadcasting (English and Filipino, elementary and secondary)</li> <li>2. Collaborative Desktop Publishing (English and Filipino, elementary and secondary)</li> <li>3. Online Publishing (English and Filipino, secondary only)</li> </ol>
<p>c. Search for/ Awarding of Outstanding School Paper Advisers (SPAs) and Campus Journalists (CJs)</p>	
<p>d. School Paper Contest</p>	

5. Each municipality is expected to field the top 3 winners in each individual event/ medium/ category and 1 team composed of 7 members per medium (except in Online Publishing that requires 5 members) in the group events to participate in the DSPC from whom the top 3 to represent the Division to the Regional Schools Press Conference shall be named; hence, it is expected that lower level eliminations shall have been conducted (date and venue to be decided by all concerned officials in the District/ municipality) prior to the Division tilt.

6. A campus journalist, accompanied by his/her school paper adviser-coach can participate in only one event, either in an individual or group category.

7. Pertinent documents of the applicants in the **Search for Outstanding School Paper Advisers and Campus Journalists** and entries of schools that will join in the school paper contest shall be uploaded not later than **January 03, 2025** via a link to be shared to the SOSPI Officer/ Municipal representatives.

8. A registration fee of Three Hundred Pesos (P300.00) shall be collected from each participant to cover honorarium of speaker-judges and facilitators, supplies and materials, meals and accommodation of staff and other incidental expenses to be charged to local/ school MOOE, Special Education Fund (SEF) or School Publication Fund, whichever is applicable subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations payable through the Division Office Cashier.
9. To ensure a smooth and organized conduct of the DSPC, **a meeting to be attended by SOSPI officers and other concerned officials** will be held **December 17, 2024** from 9 AM at the SDO Conference Hall.
10. Contestants who will emerge as Top 3 winners in the individual events and 1<sup>st</sup> placers in the group events shall attend **cliniquing sessions** on **January 15-17, 2025** at Casiguran Central School, Casiguran, Sorsogon.
11. Widest dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum are enjoined.

  
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