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Department of Education
CARAGA REGION
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF SIARGAO



DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. 01-002 s. 2026

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chief, CID and SGOD
Public Schools District Supervisors
Secondary School Heads
All others concerned
This Division

CORRIGENDUM AND ADDENDUM TO DIVISION MEMORANDUM NO. 12-413 S.
2025 YES-O CAMP 2025

1. The field is hereby informed that the conduct of the Youth for Environment in Schools Organization (YES-O) Camp 2025, originally scheduled on January 9–10, 2026, is hereby rescheduled to January 21–22, 2026, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., at the Division Training Center, Dapa, Surigao del Norte.
2. This is a live-out activity. Morning snacks, lunch, and afternoon snacks shall be served during the activity period. Morning snacks on January 21, 2026 shall be served as the first meal, while afternoon snacks on January 22, 2026 shall be served as the last meal.
3. Activities during the YES-O Camp 2025 includes interactive and fun plenary sessions, tree planting activity and contests, such as on-the-spot poster-making, on-the-spot photo-treebute, environmental quiz, YES-O Exhibits and YES-O Spotlight featuring YES-O success stories on environmental action and initiative. See Enclosure 1 for the Contest Guidelines.
4. All other provisions stated of the aforementioned memorandum shall remain in full force and effect.
5. Immediate dissemination and strict compliance to this Memorandum is advised.


MANUEL O. CABERTE
Schools Division Superintendent

Encl: As stated

Reference: As stated

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

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Enclosure 1 to DM No. _____ s. 2026

YES-O CAMP
Contest Guidelines

I. General Guidelines

1. The contest is open to all registered learner participants to the YES-O Camp.
2. A participant is qualified to compete in any contest, whether individual or group, provided he/she duly registered and, provided further, there is no conflict in the schedule.
3. Contestants shall indicate their chosen contest in the Pre-Registration Form or in the Verification Form to be accomplished during on-site registration on Day 1, which shall be submitted immediately thereafter to the Secretariat.
4. As a rule, an elimination round shall be conducted.
5. There shall be a contest briefing 15 minutes before the contest proper.
6. Decisions of the Board of Judges are final.

II. Specific Guidelines

A. On the Spot Poster-Making Contest (Individual)

1. Only one (1) contestant per school shall participate in the contest.
2. The poster should revolve around the theme which will be announced by the contest administrator during the contest proper.
3. The medium for visual artistry shall be oil pastel only. The required base paper to be used during the contest, however, is an illustration board.
4. All materials, except oil pastel, will be provided by the organizers. Borrowing of materials from other contestants shall not be allowed.
5. The allocated time for the contest is one and a half (1 ½) hours, after which all entries shall be submitted to the contest administrator. Contestants may decide to submit his/her poster earlier without waiting for the lapse of one and a half (1 ½) hours. Late submission shall be deducted 1% from the total for every extension of five (5) minutes. A fraction of five (5) minutes shall already be considered five (5) minutes for purposes of the deduction.
6. Each poster shall be identified by a number that corresponds to the number and identity of the contestant for the judging process.
7. Judging shall be based on the following criteria:

Originality of Idea	40%
Relevance to the Theme	40%
Overall Impact	20%
Total	100%

B. On the Spot Photo TREEbute (Individual)

1. Only one (1) contestant per school shall participate in the contest.
2. Only registered digital SLR, digital point-and-shoot cameras and phone cameras are allowed to be used during the contest.
3. During the contest registration, the contestants must also register their respective cameras which will be used for the contest. The contestants must submit the soft/digital copy of two (2) photos, direct from their cameras, as their entry for the elimination/qualifying round. These photos must comply with the following:
 - a. The photos must focus on trees as the subject.
 - b. The photos must not be taken within the venue premises.



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- c. The photos must have been taken a day before the contest registration.
- d. The camera must activate the date and time setting to appear on the photo.
- e. The photos must not have undergone digital editing and enhancement.
- 4. Depending on the number of entries, the top three (3) contestants shall qualify for the final round. They will be brought to a venue within the camp where the final round will be held.
- 5. In the final round, the contestants shall be given one (1) hour to take pictures in the venue determined by the organizers. Contestants are allowed to use only their registered cameras and take as many pictures as possible. After the allotted time, however, the contestants must choose only one photo; transfer the soft copy of their chosen entry on a laptop computer provided by the organizers; and provide a title of the photo which should capture the message of the subject.
- 6. Judging shall be based on the following criteria:
 - Originality** **40%**
Did the contestant use creative techniques to make an interesting effect without compromising the content? Is the idea original?
 - Message** **30%**
Does the photo transmit a clear and identifiable message about trees?
 - Impact** **20%**
Is the image/idea powerful? Does it evoke a feeling to take positive action from the viewer?
 - Technical Compliance** **10%**
Does the photo follow the guidelines of the contest? Is the image quality good enough to achieve the purpose of the contest?

Total **100%**

C. Environmental Quiz (Individual)

- 1. All learner participants are encouraged to participate in the Quiz provided they are in the venue before the start of the contest.
- 2. English and Filipino shall be used as the official languages in the conduct of the quiz.
- 3. Questions shall focus on environmental facts, laws, current events, initiatives and other subjects pertaining to the environment and ecology.
- 4. Each question shall be read twice by the quizmaster. The contestants shall only answer as soon as the quizmaster shall have read the question twice and have so indicated their time to write the answer in big bold letters. Countdown shall start immediately thereafter.
- 5. Contestants shall be given a maximum of twenty (20) seconds to answer questions that require computation. Other questions shall only be allotted ten (10) seconds.
- 6. The contestants shall bring their own pens, answer sheets shall be provided by the organizers. Should the contestant decide to change an answer, he/she shall cross out the answer so written with only one horizontal line and the new answer shall be written legibly above the crossed-out answer. The contestant is allowed to change answer within the time allotted for a particular question.



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7. The contestants shall raise their pens as soon as the allotted time to answer is over.
8. If applicable, depending on the number of entries, an elimination round shall be held.
9. During the elimination round, failure to answer seven out of ten questions correctly shall disqualify and eliminate the contestant. The elimination round shall involve easy, average and difficult questions.
10. For the elimination round, only ten (10) or less qualifiers shall advance to the finals regardless of school representation.

D. YES-O Exhibits (Group)

1. The exhibits should touch on the school-based YES-O's implementation of environmental projects as mandated in the YES-O's constitution and by-laws. It shall also feature the organization's plans and success stories on environmental action and initiative.
2. The exhibits shall consist of pictures appropriately labeled, certifications, approved and implemented project proposals, publications, reports, write-ups and other materials that comply with number 1.
3. The organizers shall only provide two (2) manila papers measuring 3 feet x 4 feet each on which the exhibits shall be mounted.
4. Other materials shall be provided by the contestants.
5. The exhibits shall be set up during Day 1 immediately after the registration of participants. Only those registered and members of the school YES-O delegation are allowed to set up the exhibits.
6. Participants shall inform the organizers in advance of their interest to join this contest.
7. Judging shall be based on the following criteria:

Compliance with YES-O Mandate	80%
Design/Appearance of Exhibits	20%
Total	100%

E. YES-O Spotlight (Group)

1. The YES-O spotlight should touch on the school YES-O's implementation of environmental projects as mandated in the YES-O's constitution and by-laws. It shall also feature the organization's plans and success stories on environmental action and initiative.
2. The spotlight shall consist of pictures appropriately labeled, video clips, certifications, approved and implemented project proposals, events, publications, reports, write-ups and other materials that comply with number 1.
3. The spotlight must be presented using MS PowerPoint Presentation.
4. The organizers shall only provide an LCD projector and a computer to be used during the actual presentation.
5. Depending on the number of contestants, an elimination round shall be conducted.
6. Only those registered and who are members of the school YES-O delegation are allowed to present the spotlight in six (6) minutes. No time extension shall be allowed. Once the time has lapsed, the presentation will be stopped. The presenter shall be subjected to questions by the Board of Judges.
7. Participants shall inform the organizers in advance of their interest to join this contest.



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8. Judging shall be based on the following criteria:

Compliance with YES-O Mandate	60%
Design of PowerPoint Presentation	20%
Actual Presentation	20%
Total	100%