

Republic of the Philippines  
**Department of Education**  
 NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION

**REGIONAL MEMORANDUM**  
 ORD-2023-817

**TO :** Schools Division Superintendents  
 All Others Concerned

**FROM :** THE REGIONAL DIRECTOR

**SUBJECT :** ENDORSEMENT OF INAUGURAL PHILIPPINE GAME DEVELOPMENT EXPO

**DATE :** August 16, 2023

1. Pursuant to the attached DepEd Memorandum No. OM-OASOPS-2023-08-19 dated August 14, 2023 from Dr. Dexter A. Galban, Assistant Secretary for Operations re: Inaugural Philippine Game Development Expo, Division Offices are requested to send 1,500 students and teachers in Metro Manila on August 18-20, 2023, with details as follows :

SDO	Number of Students and Learner-Participants
Caloocan	160
Las Pinas	80
Makati	80
Malabon	80
Mandaluyong	80
Manila	160
Marikina	80
Muntinlupa	80
Navotas	80
Paranaque	80
Pasay	80
Pasig	80
Quezon City	160
San Juan	60
Taguig-Pateros	80
Valenzuela	80



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- Learners are reminded to secure approved Parental Consent and Waiver Form prior to attending the said activity, and required to register through this link : <https://forms.office.com/r/YPsigwshKN>, while teachers/Advisors through this link : <https://pgdx.ph>.
2. Travel and other related expenses to be incurred shall be charged to local funds, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations. Teaching and non-teaching personnel-participants can avail the service credits and / or Compensatory Time-Off (CTO), subject to existing policies and guidelines.
  3. Attached is the PGDX 2023 Program, for reference.
  4. For immediate dissemination and compliance.

  
**WILFREDO E. CABRAL, CESO III**  
Regional Director



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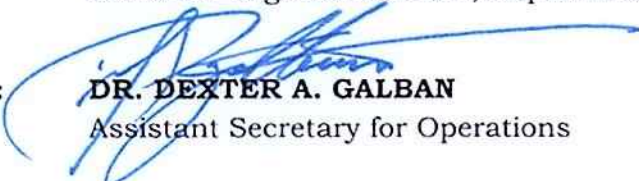
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**Department of Education**  
**OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR OPERATIONS**  
**BUREAU OF LEARNER SUPPORT SERVICES**  
School Health Division | School Sports Division | Youth Formation Division

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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO :** **WILFREDO E. CABRAL, CESO III**  
Regional Director, DepEd NCR

**CRISTITO A. ECO**  
Assistant Regional Director, DepEd NCR

**FROM :**   
**DR. DEXTER A. GALBAN**  
Assistant Secretary for Operations

**SUBJECT :** **ENDORSEMENT OF INAUGURAL PHILIPPINE GAME  
DEVELOPMENT EXPO ON 18-20 AUGUST 2023**

**DATE :** **14 AUGUST 2023**

This is in reference to the letter of the Board of Investments (BOI) to the Office of the Undersecretary for Curriculum and Teaching (OUCT), dated 27 July 2023, regarding the first-ever Philippine Game Development Expo (PGDX) which will be held on 18-20 August 2023 at the SMX Convention Center, Pasay City where they requested for endorsement and assistance on gathering 1500 students in Metro Manila to attend the said event.

The same request was forwarded to this Office for proper action. With this, we would like to respectfully ask your good office to endorse and assist the BOI in gathering the said number of students for their event to show the Department's support to this endeavor, subject to existing rules and regulations of DepEd on the conduct of these activities.

Kindly take note that **participation in the PGDX is free of charge, voluntary, and non-mandatory**. Interested teachers and learners may register through these links:

- Students: <https://forms.office.com/r/YPsigwshKN>
- Teachers/ Advisors: <https://pgdx.ph>

Kindly see the attached pertinent documents for your further reference.

For your consideration and appropriate action.




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OFFICE OF THE UNDERSECRETARY FOR CURRICULUM AND TEACHING

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**MEMORANDUM**  
**OM-CT-2023-267**

**FOR :** **DR. DEXTER A. GALBAN**  
Assistant Secretary for Youth Affairs and Special Concerns

**FROM :**   
**GINA O. GONONG**  
Undersecretary for Curriculum and Teaching

**SUBJECT :** **ENDORSEMENT OF INAUGURAL PHILIPPINE GAME DEVELOPMENT EXPO (18 -20 AUGUST 2023)**

**DATE :** August 1, 2023

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This is to respectfully refer to your Office the attached emails and letters inviting Grades 9 to 12 students from Metro Manila to participate in the first-ever Philippine GameDev Expo (PGDX) on August 18-20, 2023 at the SMX Convention Center.

This is in line with the IT-BPM Talent Summit 2023 which highlighted the development of the present and future human capital of the country, particularly in game development and the Youth Can Make It Happen Campaign launched during the summit in April 2023.

We are forwarding this matter to your office since it appears that the request falls under your mandate and/or jurisdiction.

Please inform the proponent of any action undertaken on the matter. It is also requested to copy furnish the Office of the Undersecretary for Curriculum and Teaching in all correspondences relative to this matter.

For your appropriate action.

cc: Miss Lynne Wanya Paccalagan, Board of Investments  
Attachments: as stated



Office of the Assistant Secretary for Operations <oasops@deped.gov.ph>

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**Re: Request for DepEd's Support: Inaugural Philippine Game Development Expo (18-20 August 2023)**

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Office of the Undersecretary for Curriculum and Teaching (OUCT) <ouct@deped.gov.ph>

Sun, Aug 6, 2023 at 12:57 PM

To: Michael Gomez Boctot <MGBoctot@boi.gov.ph>, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Operations <oasops@deped.gov.ph>, Dexter Galban <dexter.galban@deped.gov.ph>

Cc: LEILA AREOLA <leila.areola@deped.gov.ph>, "Rossana S. Camecer" <rossana.camecer@deped.gov.ph>, Glenda Granadozin <glenda.granadozin@deped.gov.ph>, "DepEd ( External Partnerships)" <externalpartnerships@deped.gov.ph>, ids <ids@boi.gov.ph>, "Remedios F. Lim" <RFLim@boi.gov.ph>, Lynne Wanya Paccalagan <LWPaccalagan@boi.gov.ph>, Alyssa Rose Absalon <ARSAbsalon@boi.gov.ph>, Office of the Secretary <osec@deped.gov.ph>

Dear Mr. Michael Boctot,

Greetings!

Please be informed that this communication was endorsed to the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Operations per attached Memorandum No. OM-CT-2023-267 for its appropriate action and further handling.

With regard to the request for Message of Support from the Vice President, here's the link for the scheduler and the instructions:

Good day. The Office of the Vice President and the Department of Education have created a system that will ensure the orderly processing of requests in relation to the schedule of Vice President Sara Z. Duterte.

To request a schedule or courtesy call, send an invitation, or request a message from Vice President and Education Secretary Sara Z. Duterte, please follow this procedure:

1. Register an account with the OVP Scheduler through this link:

<http://ovp.scheduler.ph>.

2. Once you complete the sign-up, check your registered email address for the verification link. Note that the email may be in your spam or updates folder. Click the highlighted text to verify your OVP scheduler account.

3. Fill out the remaining details to complete the process.

4. Please upload your letter or invitation by dragging it into the file upload bar or manually click the "browse files" button to select the file you want to upload.

5. Once you submit your request, you can manually check for updates by logging into your OVP Scheduler account. There is no need for a follow-up. We shall send you an email once your appointment is approved or if it cannot be accommodated.

6. Please keep the email address and password used to register with the OVP Scheduler for updates on your request.

7. Please be advised that all follow-ups on your request shall only be done and may only be entertained through the scheduler system.

Thank you for your usual support and cooperation.

*Your feedback matters to us. Help us improve our services by answering this feedback form.*



Office of the Undersecretary for Curriculum and Teaching (OUCT)  
(632) 8633-7202  
1/F Bonifacio Building, DepEd Complex, Meralco Avenue, Pasig City, Philippines  
[www.deped.gov.ph](http://www.deped.gov.ph)

On Fri, Aug 4, 2023 at 9:47 AM Michael Gomez Boctot <MGBoctot@boi.gov.ph> wrote:

Dear Usec. Gonong,

Hope this email finds you well.

May we gently follow up on the status of our request for DepEd's endorsement enjoining the participation and convening of one thousand five hundred (1500) Grades 9 to 12 students from Metro Manila, to the PGDX event on August 18 – 20, 2023 at the SMX Convention Center Manila, as well as the recorded video of the Vice President of the Philippines and Secretary of the Department of Education expressing her support to the said event.

For queries or clarification, your office may coordinate with Mr. Michael G. Boctot at [MGBoctot@boi.gov.ph](mailto:MGBoctot@boi.gov.ph) or through Cellphone number 0977-939-8199.

Looking forward to your usual support and assistance.

Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

**MICHAEL G. BOCTOT**  
**Investments Specialist**  
**Infrastructure and Services Industries Service**

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**From:** Lynne Wanya Paccalagan <[LWPPaccalagan@boi.gov.ph](mailto:LWPPaccalagan@boi.gov.ph)>  
**Sent:** Thursday, 27 July 2023 4:00 pm  
**To:** Office of the Undersecretary for Curriculum and Teaching (OUCT) <[ouct@deped.gov.ph](mailto:ouct@deped.gov.ph)>  
**Cc:** LEILA AREOLA <[leila.areola@deped.gov.ph](mailto:leila.areola@deped.gov.ph)>; Rossana S. Carnecer <[rossana.carnecer@deped.gov.ph](mailto:rossana.carnecer@deped.gov.ph)>; Glenda Granadozin <[glenda.granadozin@deped.gov.ph](mailto:glenda.granadozin@deped.gov.ph)>; DepEd ( External Partnerships) <[externalpartnerships@deped.gov.ph](mailto:externalpartnerships@deped.gov.ph)>; ids <[ids@boi.gov.ph](mailto:ids@boi.gov.ph)>; Remedios F. Lim <[RFLim@boi.gov.ph](mailto:RFLim@boi.gov.ph)>; Michael Gomez Boctot <[MGBoctot@boi.gov.ph](mailto:MGBoctot@boi.gov.ph)>; Alyssa Rose Absalon <[ARSAbsalon@boi.gov.ph](mailto:ARSAbsalon@boi.gov.ph)>  
**Subject:** Request for DepEd's Support: Inaugural Philippine Game Development Expo (18-20 August 2023)

*Sent on behalf of Executive Director Ma. Corazon H. Dichosa, Board of Investments*

Dear USec. Gonong,

Greetings from the Board of Investments!

Pursuant to our commitments set forth during the inaugural IT-BPM Talent Summit 2023, which highlighted the importance of developing the present and future human capital of the country for the IT-BPM industry, including its subsectors, such as game development, among others, we would like to extend an invitation to DepEd for the first-ever Philippine GameDev Expo, which will be held on August 18–20, 2023, at the SMX Convention Center, Pasay City.

Recognizing our collaboration on the YOUTH CAN MAKE IT HAPPEN CAMPAIGN, which was launched during the summit in April 2023, we would like to seek your office's assistance once again in enjoining the participation and convening **one thousand five hundred (1500) Grades 9 to 12 students from Metro Manila** in this event.

With our close coordination with the industry, these students will be given guaranteed passes for free on the first day of the event. Registrations for these 1500 students are encouraged to be lodged through this link: <https://forms.office.com/r/YPsigwshKN>. The students are required to complete and upload the attached consent/waiver form and student agreement forms.

Likewise, first-day passes for DepEd officials, technical staff, advisers, educators, and teachers to this event are free. These accompanying authorities may lodge their registration through <https://pgdx.ph>.

Attached for additional references are our official request letter and PGDX event briefier.

Many thanks in advance for your staunch support!

Lynne W. Paccalagan  
Board of Investments  
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TIME SLOT		DURATION	MAIN STAGE	
			ACTIVITY / TOPIC	SPEAKER/S
8:00 AM	10:00 AM	2:00:00	Final Preparation for Opening Ceremony	
10:00 AM	10:15 AM	0:15:00	Opening Ceremony / Welcome Remarks	Mr. Alvin Juban Chairman, Game Developers Association of the Philippines
				Mr. James Ronald Lo President, Game Developers Association of the Philippines
				Mr. Joebert Yu Partnership Officer, CBZN Perspective
10:15 AM	10:45 AM	0:30:00	Main Presenter	PLDT/SMART
10:45 AM	11:00 AM	0:15:00	Message of Support	Ms. Jocelle Batapa-Sigue DICT Undersecretary, ICT Industry Development
11:00 AM	11:15 AM	0:15:00	DICT Creative Programs	Ms. Emmy Lou V. Delfin Director IV, ICT Industry Development Bureau
11:15 AM	11:30 AM	0:15:00	DTI-EMB initiatives for PH Game Dev	Ms. Bianca Pearl Sykimte Director, DTI Export Marketing Bureau
11:30 AM	11:45 AM	0:15:00	YOUth Can Make it Happen - ReLaunch	Ms. Ma. Corazon Halili-Dichosa Executive Director, Board of Investments
11:45 AM	12:00 PM	0:15:00	Malikhaing Pinoy Program	Mr. Jo-Dann Darong Director III, DTI Competitiveness Bureau
12:00 PM	12:30 PM	0:30:00	Exhibitor Highlights	
12:30 PM	1:10 PM	0:40:00	Philippine Game Dev Industry Overview (Presentation, 20 mins   Panel + Q&A, 20 mins)	Mr. Solon Chen (Moderator) Co-Founder, Kooapps Philippines
				Mr. Alvin Juban Studio Director, Synergy88
				Mr. James Ronald Lo CEO and Co-Founder, Taktyl Studios
				Mr. John Jester Tesoro Country Manager, Razer Gold
				Mr. Andro Baluyut CEO, GameOps
1:10 PM	1:40 PM	0:30:00	Women in Games Fireside Chat (Presentation, 10 mins   Panel + Q&A, 20 mins)	Ms. Lexie Angeles (Moderator) Producer, Pixel Mafia
				Ms. Nissie Arcega Co-founder, Psychic City Games Community Lead, Indie Games Group Philippines
				Ms. Tza Gomez Senior Producer, Pixel Mafia
				Ms. Alexis-Mae Geronga Business Dev Director, GameOps
				Ms. Azumi Iwai Operations Manager, Neun Farben Corporation
				Ms. Patty Paraiso Content Creator, Team Secret PH
				Ms. Sophia Hanga-an Project Coordinator, Keywords Studios
1:40 PM	2:10 PM	0:30:00	Philippine Indie Game Dev Environment (Presentation, 10 mins   Panel + Q&A, 20 mins)	Ms. Nissie Arcega, (Moderator) Co-founder, Psychic City Games Community Lead, Indie Games Group Philippines
				Mr. Ben Joseph Banta CEO, Ranida Games
				Ms. Danni Ann Taylan Co - Founder, YangYang Mobile
				Mr. Solon Chen Co-Founder, Kooapps Philippines
				Mr. Allen Tan CEO, Monstronauts
				Mr. Marvin Apacible Founder, Maccima Games LLC
				Mr. Christopher Natsume (Moderator) Co-Founder and Creative Director, BoomZap Entertainment



2:10 PM	2:40 PM	0:30:00	Game Publishing (Panel + Q&A, 30 mins)	<p>Mr. Westley Conner Chief Development Officer, Gamigo Group</p> <p>Mr. Ryan S. Sacares Managing Director, PlayPark</p> <p>Mr. Jeffrey Liptak Founder and Advisor, JL Game Consulting   Vice President Business Development, Bagelcode</p> <p>Mr. Iain Garner CEO, Neon Doctrine</p> <p>Mr. Joseph Woo Global Business Development Executive, Potato Play</p> <p>Mr. Benj Dalmacio Senior Business Development Manager, Tencent Games / Level Infinite</p>
2:40 PM	3:10 PM	0:30:00	Philippines as your Main Outsourcing Destination (Presentation, 10 mins   Panel + Q&A, 20 mins)	<p>Ms. Claire Codilla (Moderator) Founding Member, Co-Lab Cebu</p> <p>Ms. Azumi Iwai Operations Manager, Neon Farben Corporation</p> <p>Mr. Alvin Juban Studio Director, Synergy 88</p> <p>Ms. Alexis-Mae Geronga Business Dev Director, GameOps</p> <p>Mr. James Ronald Lo CEO and Co-Founder, Taktyl Studios</p>
3:10 PM	3:30 PM	0:20:00	BAM Gaming (Presentation, 15 mins   Q&A, 5 mins)	<p>Mr. Bam Aquino Former Senator and Gaming Startup Founder</p>
3:30 PM	4:00 PM	0:30:00	Web3 and Gaming: What Now? (Panel + Q&A, 30 mins)	<p>Mr. Jared Dillinger (Moderator) Head of Content Creator, Coins.ph</p> <p>Ms. Irene Umar CEO, W3GG</p> <p>Mr. Emman Navalán Founder &amp; CEO, Viridian Technologies</p> <p>Mr. El Bonuan Founder, XOVOX Labs</p>
4:00 PM	4:30 PM	0:30:00	Global Payments with Xsolla Taking Advantage of Worldwide Payment Methods (Presentation, 25mins   Q&A, 5 mins)	<p>Mr. Erick M. Lee Business Development Lead, APAC at Xsolla</p>
4:30 PM	5:30 PM	1:00:00	Introduction to Unity (Presentation, 50 mins   Q&A, 10 mins)	<p>Mr. Shawn Beck Senior Partner Engineer, Unity Technologies</p>
5:30 PM	5:40 PM	0:10:00	Closing Remarks	<p>Mr. Alvin Juban Chairman, Game Developers Association of the Philippines</p>
5:40 PM	7:40 PM	2:00:00		