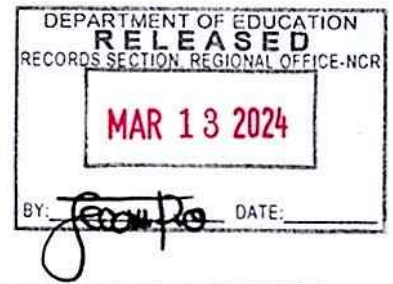




Republic of the Philippines  
**Department of Education**  
 NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION



**REGIONAL MEMORANDUM**  
 ORD-2024-216

**TO :** **SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS**

**FROM :** *[Signature]*  
**JOCELYN DR. ANDAYA**  
 Director IV

**SUBJECT :** **82<sup>nd</sup> Araw ng Kagitingan and Philippine Veterans Week:  
 National Poster-Making, Essay Writing, Song Writing  
 And Oratorical Contests**

**DATE :** March 12, 2024

This is in reference to the attached Memorandum dated February 20, 2024, from Gina O. Gonong, Undersecretary for Curriculum and Teaching, relative to the above- captioned subject, contents of which are self-explanatory, for information and appropriate action.

The deadline for the submission of entries in the region will be on **March 18, 2024** and the region will forward the regional entries based on the memorandum per category to the External Partnerships Service at DepEd Central Office on March 25,2024.

Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

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**Department of Education**

**OFFICE OF THE UNDERSECRETARY FOR CURRICULUM AND TEACHING**

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**MEMORANDUM**

**DM-CT-2024- 045**

**TO : BUREAU AND SERVICE DIRECTORS  
REGIONAL DIRECTORS  
SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS  
HEADS, PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS  
OTHERS CONCERNED**

**FROM :   
GINA O. GONZONG  
Undersecretary**

**SUBJECT: 82<sup>nd</sup> ARAW NG KAGITINGAN AND PHILIPPINE VETERANS  
WEEK: NATIONAL POSTER-MAKING, ESSAY WRITING, SONG  
WRITING AND ORATORICAL CONTESTS**

**DATE : February 20, 2024**

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1. The 82<sup>nd</sup> *Araw ng Kagitingan*, also known as Day of Valor, commemorates the heroism of Filipino and American soldiers during the fall of Bataan in 1942. This day, observed on April 9<sup>th</sup>, honors those who fought bravely in World War II, highlighting the sacrifices made for freedom. Concurrently, the Philippine Veterans Week, celebrated from April 5 to 11, 2024, pays tribute to all veterans who served in various conflicts, recognizing their unwavering dedication and service to the nation. These events serve as poignant reminders of the courage and resilience embedded in the history of the Philippines.
2. The said celebrations are pursuant to Executive Order No. 203, s. 1987, titled Providing a List of Regular Holidays and Special Days to be Observed throughout the Philippines and for other Purposes which declared the 9<sup>th</sup> day of April as *Araw ng Kagitingan* (Bataan and Corregidor Day), Presidential Proclamation (PP) No. 466, s. 1989, titled Declaring the Period April 5 to 11 of every year as Philippine Veterans Week.
3. The celebration of the *Philippine Veterans Week and the 82<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary of the Araw ng Kagitingan* will be on April 5 to 11, 2024 and on April 9, 2024, respectively.
4. The celebration aims to instill in the minds and hearts of the Filipino people especially the youth that the freedom the Filipinos enjoy today was nourished by the blood and sacrifices of their veteran forefathers.

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5. All government agencies including government-owned and controlled corporations, nongovernmental organizations, private associations, institutions, and individuals are enjoined to assist, cooperate, and participate in this historic commemoration.
6. In support of said commemorations, the Department of Education (DepEd), through its External Partnerships Service (EPS), and Curriculum and Teaching (CT), in cooperation with the Department of National Defense (DND), Veterans Federation of the Philippines (VFP), and Philippine Veterans Affairs Office (PVAO), shall conduct a Poster Making Contest, Oratorical, Essay Writing, and Song Writing Contest as part of said celebration. The contest mechanics are provided in the attached Enclosures 1, 2, and 3, respectively.
7. To make this year's celebration more meaningful, officials from the regional office, schools division office, and schools are encouraged to attend the program at all sites and venues, and to discuss the significance of ***Araw ng Kagitingan and Philippine Veterans Week*** during classroom discussions. The following activities are also suggested for Araling Panlipunan (AP) and Edukasyon sa Pagpapakatao (EsP) teachers to participate in.
  - a) integrate activities into related subject areas: (i) *Sibika at kultura*; (ii) *Heograpiya, kasaykasan at Sining (HEKAS)*; (iii) *Araling Panlipunan*; (iv) *Edukasyon sa Pagpapakatao (EsP)*; (v) *Music, Arts, Physical Education and Health (MAPEH)*; (vi) *Filipino*; and (vii) *English*;
  - b) sharing of insights or other creative activities;
  - c) symposium or round table discussion to raise awareness on the event, and learn the values of nationalism, patriotism, and love of country which were exhibited by the veterans during the trying periods of this country;
  - d) putting up of bulletin board within the campus and displaying informative materials concerning the commemorative events; and
  - e) does other related activities.
8. Expenses incurred relative to the conduct of these activities shall be charged to local funds and regional/division MOOE. Meanwhile, the travel allowances and per diem of the DepEd Central Office and members of the Technical Working Group shall be charged against EPS funds, subject to accounting and auditing rules and regulations.
9. For any concerns, your staff may contact:

External Partnerships Service  
Telephone No. (02) 8638-8639  
Mobile No. 0905 345 7489  
Email add: [external.partnerships@deped.gov.ph](mailto:external.partnerships@deped.gov.ph)  
[specialevents@deped.gov.ph](mailto:specialevents@deped.gov.ph)

10. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

*Cc: Jason V. Mercene*  
*Supervising Administrative Officer*  
*Officer-in-Charge*  
*Public Affairs Service- Office of the Director IV*

## **Enclosure 1**

### **82<sup>ND</sup> ARAW NG KAGITINGAN AND PHILIPPINE VETERANS WEEK**

#### **CONTEST MECHANICS POSTER MAKING CONTEST**

##### **1. Background and Objectives**

In celebration of the 82<sup>nd</sup> *Araw ng Kagitingan* and Philippine Veterans Week, the Department of Education (DepEd), the Philippine Veterans Affairs Office (PVAO), the Department of National Defense (DND), and the Veterans Federation of the Philippines (VFP) are sponsoring a Poster-Making Contest.

The objectives of the contest typically include promoting awareness of the valor and sacrifices of Filipino veterans, fostering patriotism, encouraging creative expressions that honor the country's history and heroes, and the historical places in the Philippines during World War II where veterans fought for the country and sacrificed lives and to remember the reasons why we experience freedom up to this day.

##### **2. Participants**

The contest is open to all Grades 7, 8, and 9 students enrolled in any public and private secondary schools nationwide. The school should be duly recognized by DepEd. Previous winners of contests organized by the Special Events Unit are not eligible to participate, in order to give others a chance.

##### **3. Scope/Theme**

The entries should depict the life, works, and heroism of our Filipino heroes who fought for our country and should be in line with this year's theme: **BETERANO: "PAGKILALA SA KATAPATAN, BALIK TANAW SA SAKRIPISYO AT PAG-ALAALA NG KABAYANIHAN"**

##### **4. Entry Specification**

Only entries submitted with correct and complete specifications and format will be considered official. Please take note of the following requirements to ensure that the entry satisfies the specifications of the contest:

- 4.1 The poster should be on a 15"x 20" illustration board.
- 4.2 Contestants may use any medium of his/her choice, (e.g. oil paste, crayon, and watercolor)
- 4.3 The poster must be described in one or two sentences. The description must be typewritten and printed on a ½ A4 bond paper and posted at the back of the entry together with the following information:
  - 4.3.1 Name of Learner
  - 4.3.2 Contact Number
  - 4.3.3 School
  - 4.3.4 Division

#### 4.3.5 Region

- 4.4 The Philippine Flag should not be used as the background of the poster. If used as part, it should be placed in a conspicuous place to show its importance to the artwork (please refer to Sec. 39 – Prohibited Acts under Republic Act (RA) No. 8491 titled “An Act Prescribing the Code of the National Flag, Anthem, Motto, Coat-of-Arms and Other Heraldic Items and Devices of the Philippines.”).

#### 5. Criteria

5.1	Adherence to the Scope and Objective -----	25%
5.2	Creativity and Originality -----	30%
5.3	Composition -----	25%
5.4	Visual Impact -----	20%
	<b>Total -----</b>	<b>100%</b>

#### 6. Uploading on the Official Facebook Page

All entries shall be uploaded by the coach (only) together with the contestant’s name, school, division, and region on the official Facebook page: **“NATIONAL POSTER MAKING CONTEST” – 2024, PHILIPPINE VETERANS WEEK & 82<sup>ND</sup> ARAW NG KAGITINGAN (ANK)”**

#### 7. Determination and Announcement of Winners

The contestant who achieves the highest score shall be considered the National Champion, the contestant with the second highest score shall be declared the first runner-up, and the contestant with the third highest shall be declared the second runner-up, and so forth.

Winners will be announced after the final competition, and will be awarded at Mt. Samat Shrine, Pilar, Bataan, on **April 9, 2024**. The names of the winners, along with other details during the awarding and the process for claiming their prizes will be announced in a separate memo.

#### 8. Submission of Entries

- 8.1 The deadline for the submission of entries will be on **March 25, 2024**, and shall be submitted to the External Partnerships Service at DepEd Central Office.

Attention: Anna Liza Awa-Jorduella  
External Partnerships Service  
Department of Education, DepEd Central Office  
Ground Floor, Mabini Bldg., DepEd Complex, Meralco  
Avenue Pasig City  
Tel. No.: (02) 8638-8639), 0905 345 7489

- 8.2 Only two (2) entries **PER REGION** are allowed. Each entry must be accompanied by the following requirements:

**8.2.1 Endorsement from the Regional Director or the Schools Division**

Superintendent (SDS) or the Chief of the School Governance and Operations Division (SGOD).

**8.2.2 A certification from the school principal that the contestant is enrolled in the current School Year (2023-2024).**

**8.2.3 Scanned images of the student ID, Principal's ID, and accomplished entry form.**

**8.2.4 Privacy Notice**

- The Department of Education, External Partnerships Service is collecting learners' personal data (name, address, contact details) for contest purposes only.
- The collected personal data shall be used solely by the Central Office and should not be forwarded to external parties, unless in case of an emergency. The records shall be maintained and disposed of in accordance with established procedures of the Department in records handling.

**9. Prizes**

Winners for this year's competition will receive cash prizes subject to the approval of management and compliance with the DepEd accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

<b>Rank</b>	<b>Prizes</b>
1st Place	PhP10,000.00
2nd Place	PhP8,000.00
3rd Place	PhP6,000.00
4th to 17th Place	PhP3,000.00

**10. Copyright**

The organizers (DND, PVAO, VFP, and DepEd) have the right to publish and own the entries.

**11. The decision of the Board of Judges is final and irrevocable.**

**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION-EXTERNAL PARTNERSHIPS SERVICE  
82ND COMMEMORATION OF THE ARAW NG KAGITINGAN  
AND PHILIPPINE VETERANS WEEK**

**ENTRY FORM  
NATIONAL POSTER MAKING CONTEST**

<b>NAME</b>		<small>Surname Given Name M.I.</small>					
<b>AGE</b>	<b>SEX</b>	<b>DATE OF BIRTH</b>	<small>MM/DD/YYYY</small>	<b>YEAR &amp; SECTION</b>			
<b>MOBILE/TEL. NO.</b>		<b>EMAIL ADDRESS</b>					
<b>HOME ADDRESS</b>							
<b>SCHOOL</b>			<b>TEL. NO.</b>				
<b>SCHOOL ADDRESS</b>							
<b>REGION</b>			<b>DISTRICT/ DIVISION</b>				
<b>ADVISER/COACH</b>							
<b>MOBILE/TEL. NO.</b>			<b>EMAIL ADDRESS</b>				
<b>PRINCIPAL</b>							
<b>MOBILE/TEL. NO.</b>			<b>EMAIL ADDRESS</b>				
<b>TITLE OF ENTRY</b>							
We certify that the above information is true and correct to the best of our knowledge. We further certify that the painting is solely the student's work, that the same is the student's original art work, and that no part thereof is copied from or the copyright of which is owned by any other person or entity.							
Contestant <small>(Signature over Printed Name/Date)</small>			Coach/Principal <small>(Signature over Printed Name/Date)</small>				
Endorsed by:							
<p align="center">_____ Regional /Division/District Special Events Coordinator <small>(Signature over Printed Name/Date)</small></p>							

**Enclosure 2**

**82<sup>nd</sup> ARAW NG KAGITINGAN AND PHILIPPINE VETERANS WEEK**

**CONTEST MECHANICS  
ORATORICAL CONTEST**

Subject to such changes as may be determined appropriate, the following general rules shall apply:

**1. Participants**

The contest is open to all Grades 8 students enrolled in any public and private elementary schools nationwide. The school should be duly recognized by DepEd. Previous winners of contests organized by the Special Events Unit are not eligible to join, in order to give other a chance.

**2. Theme and Content**

The oratorical piece must be in Filipino, original, never been published, and expounding on the theme: **BETERANO: "PAGKILALA SA KATAPATAN, BALIK TANAW SA SAKRIPISYO AT PAG-ALAALA NG KABAYANIHAN"**.

The piece must be delivered for a minimum of five (5) minutes and a maximum of seven (7) minutes.

The oration **MUST NOT**, in whole or in part, whether express or implied, offend any race or religious freedom, nor should it be against the environmental laws, honor, dignity, or the moral standards of Filipinos.

**3. Criteria**

a. Content	Sincerity, originality, and relevance to the theme	50%
b. Delivery	Posturc, gesture, eye contact, facial expression, pronunciation, volume, and mastery	40%
c. Persuasion and Stage Presence		10%
<b>Total -----</b>		<b>100%</b>

**4. Uploading on the Official Facebook Page**

All entries shall be uploaded by the coach (only) together with the contestant's name, school, division, and region on the official Facebook page: **"NATIONAL ORATORICAL CONTEST" - 2024 PHILIPPINE VETERANS WEEK & 82<sup>ND</sup> ARAW NG KAGITINGAN (ANK)"**



## 5. Attire/Framing

The Contestants shall record their piece with half-body framing and wear the appropriate attire when delivering their oratorical piece:

- o Boys – Barong
- o Girls – Simple *Filipiniana* Dress

## 6. Determination and Announcement of Winners

The contestant who achieves the highest score shall be considered the National Champion, the contestant with the second highest score shall be declared the first runner-up, and the contestant with the third highest shall be declared the second runner-up, and so forth.

Winners will be announced after the final competition, and will be awarded at Mt. Samat Shrine, Pilar, Bataan, on **April 9, 2024**. The names of the winners, along with other details during the awarding and the process for claiming their prizes will be announced in a separate memo.

## 7. Submission of Entries

7.1 The deadline for the submission of entries will be on **March 25, 2024**.

7.2 Only (1) entry **PER REGION** is allowed. Each entry must be accompanied by the following requirements:

7.2.1 Endorsement from the Regional Director or the Schools Division

Superintendent (SDS) or the Chief of the School Governance and Operations Division (SGOD).

7.2.2 A certification from the school principal that the contestant is enrolled in the current School Year (2023-2024).

7.2.3 Scanned images of the student ID, Principal's ID, and accomplished entry form.

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### 8. Prizes

Winners for this year's competition will receive cash prizes subject to the approval of management and compliance with the DepEd accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

Rank	Prizes
1st Place	PhP10,000.00
2nd Place	PhP8,000.00
3rd Place	PhP6,000.00
4th to 17th Place	PhP3,000.00

### 10. Copyright

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**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION-EXTERNAL PARTNERSHIPS SERVICE  
82<sup>ND</sup> COMMEMORATION OF THE ARAW NG KAGITINGAN  
AND PHILIPPINE VETERANS WEEK**

**ENTRY FORM  
NATIONAL ORATORICAL CONTEST**

<b>NAME</b>						
<b>AGE</b>		<b>SEX</b>		<b>DATE OF BIRTH</b>	<small>MM/DD/YYYY</small>	<b>YEAR &amp; SECTION</b>
<b>MOBILE/TEL. NO.</b>			<b>EMAIL ADDRESS</b>			
<b>HOME ADDRESS</b>						
<b>SCHOOL</b>				<b>TEL. NO.</b>		
<b>SCHOOL ADDRESS</b>						
<b>REGION</b>				<b>DISTRICT/ DIVISION</b>		
<b>ADVISER/COACH</b>						
<b>MOBILE/TEL. NO.</b>				<b>EMAIL ADDRESS</b>		
<b>PRINCIPAL</b>						
<b>MOBILE/TEL. NO.</b>				<b>EMAIL ADDRESS</b>		
<b>TITLE OF ENTRY</b>						
<p>We certify that the above information is true and correct to the best of our knowledge. We further certify that the painting is solely the student's work, that he same is the student's original art work, and that no part thereof is copied from or the copyright of which is owned by any other person or entity.</p>						
<b>Contestant</b> (Signature over Printed Name/Date)				<b>Coach/Principal</b> (Signature over Printed Name/Date)		
<b>Endorsed by:</b>						
<p align="center">_____          Regional /Division/District Special Events Coordinator          (Signature over Printed Name/Date)</p>						

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## Enclosure 3

### 82<sup>ND</sup> ARAW NG KAGITINGAN AND PHILIPPINE VETERANS WEEK

#### CONTEST MECHANICS ESSAY WRITING CONTEST

##### 1. Background and Objectives

In celebration of the 82<sup>nd</sup> *Araw ng Kagitingan* and Philippine Veterans Week, the Department of Education (DepEd), the Philippine Veterans Affairs Office (PVAO), the Department of National Defense (DND), and the Veterans Federation of the Philippines (VFP) are sponsoring an Essay Writing Contest.

The objectives of the contest typically include promoting awareness of the valor and sacrifices of Filipino veterans, fostering patriotism, encouraging creative expressions that honor the country's history and heroes, and commemorating the historical places in the Philippines where veterans fought during World War II, sacrificing their lives for the country. It also aims to remind us of the reasons why we continue to experience freedom to this day.

##### 2. Participants

The contest is open to all Grades 7, 8, and 9 students enrolled in any public and private secondary schools nationwide. The school should be duly recognized by DepEd. Previous winners of all the Special Events Unit organized contests are not qualified to join to give chance to others.

##### 3. Scope/Theme

The entries should depict the life, works, and, heroism of our Filipino heroes who fought for our country, and should be in line with this year's theme, **BETERANO: "PAGKILALA SA KATAPATAN, BALIK TANAW SA SAKRIPISYO AT PAG-ALAALA NG KABAYANIHAN"**.

##### 4. Entry Specification

The essay must be crafted from this year's theme. It should:

- 5.1 be written in Filipino
- 5.2 be typewritten on an A-4 bond paper
- 5.3 have single-line spacing
- 5.4 have one (1) inch margin on both sides
- 5.5 use Times New Roman, font size 12
- 5.6 have a minimum of three (3) pages and a maximum of four (4) pages.
- 5.7 cite the name(s), address, telephone number/s (if any) of the veteran interviewed at the end of the essay

## 6. Criteria

6.1	Substance and Originality -----	50%
6.2	Style and language -----	30%
6.3	Organization -----	20%
	<b>Total -----</b>	<b>100%</b>

## 7. Determination and Announcement of Winners

The contestant who will get the highest score shall be considered the National Champion, the contestant with the second highest score shall be declared as the first runner-up, and the third highest shall be declared as the second runner-up, and so on and so forth.

Winners will be announced after the final competition, and will be awarded at Mt. Samat Shrine, Pilar, Bataan, on **April 9, 2024**. The names of the winners, other details during the awarding, and the process of claiming their prizes will be announced in a separate memo.

## 8. Submission of Entries

8.1 The deadline for submitting entries/contest pieces, along with all requirements, is March 25, 2024, via email to [specialevents@deped.gov.ph](mailto:specialevents@deped.gov.ph)

8.2 Only one (1) entry **PER REGION** is allowed. Each entry must be accompanied by the following requirements:

- 8.2.1 Endorsement from the Region or Schools Division Superintendent (SDS) or the Chief of the School Governance and Operations Division (SGOD).
  - 8.2.2 A certification from the school principal that the contestant is enrolled in the current School Year (2023-2024).
  - 8.2.3 Scanned image of the student ID, principal's ID, and accomplished entry form.
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## 9. Prizes

Winners for this year's competition will get cash prizes subject to the approval of the management and to the usual VFP accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

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1st Place	PhP10,000.00
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## 10. Copyright

The organizers (DND, PVAO, VFP, and DepEd) have the right to publish and own the entries.

11. The decision of the Board of Judges is final and irrevocable.

**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION-SPECIAL EVENTS UNIT  
82<sup>ND</sup> COMMEMORATION OF THE ARAW NG KAGITINGAN  
AND PHILIPPINE VETERANS WEEK**

**ENTRY FORM  
NATIONAL ESSAY WRITING CONTEST**

<b>NAME</b>		<small>Surrogate Given Name N.I.</small>					
<b>AGE</b>		<b>SEX</b>		<b>DATE OF BIRTH</b>	<small>MM/DD/YYYY</small>	<b>YEAR &amp; SECTION</b>	
<b>MOBILE/TEL. NO.</b>				<b>EMAIL ADDRESS</b>			
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<b>Contestant</b> <small>(Signature over Printed Name/Date)</small>				<b>Coach/Principal</b> <small>(Signature over Printed Name/Date)</small>			
<b>Endorsed by:</b>							
 <b>Regional /Division/District Special Events Coordinator</b> <small>(Signature over Printed Name/Date)</small>							

**Enclosure 4**

**82<sup>ND</sup> ARAW NG KAGITINGAN AND PHILIPPINE VETERANS WEEK**

**CONTEST MECHANICS  
SONG WRITING CONTEST**

Subject to such changes as may be determined appropriate, the following general rules shall apply:

**1. Participants**

The contest is open to all Grades 10, 11, and 12 students enrolled in any public and private secondary schools nationwide. The school should be duly recognized by DepEd. Previous winners of all the Special Events Unit organized contests are not qualified to join to give chance to others.

**2. Theme and Content**

- 2.1 The song composition must fully describe *KAGITINGAN* through this year's theme, "**PAGKILALA SA KATAPATAN, BALIK TANAW SA SAKRIPISYO AT PAG-ALAALA NG KABAYANIHAN.**"
- 2.2 The song entry must have a minimum duration of **three (3) minutes** and a maximum of **four (4) minutes**.
- 2.3 The lyrics and melody of the song should be original.
- 2.4 The song must not contain any vulgar, inappropriate, or offensive language.

**3. Criteria**

3.1 Music	Creativity, Originality, Arrangement	50%
3.2 Lyrics	Content, Cohesiveness, Prosc (structure)	30%
3.3 Overall Appeal	Concept, Impact, Recall	15%
3.4 Interpretation	Artist/ Musicality	5%

**TOTAL-----100%**

**4. Determination and Announcement of Winners**

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## 5. Submission of Entries

5.1 The deadline for the submission of entries will be on **March 25, 2024**, through this email, [specialevents@deped.gov.ph](mailto:specialevents@deped.gov.ph)

5.2 Only one (1) entry **PER REGION** is allowed. Each entry must be accompanied by the following requirements:

5.2.1 Endorsement from the Region or Schools Division

Superintendent (SDS) or the Chief of the School Governance and Operations Division (SGOD).

5.2.2 A certification from the school principal that the contestant is enrolled in the current School Year (2023-2024).

5.2.3 Scanned image of the student ID, Principal's ID, & accomplish entry form.

4.4 The entry must be submitted in mp4 format properly labeled/titled together With the music sheet, lyrics, entry form, and bio-data of the composer.

4.5 An email shall be sent to the entrants' informing them that the entry has been received and if the entry has been officially accepted for the competition. The organizers shall not be responsible for late, lost, damaged, or misdirected entries.

5.6 Once submitted, all entries become the intellectual property of the PVAO, whether or not the song becomes the winning piece.

## 6. Prizes

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