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**Regional Memorandum**

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**REFINEMENT WORKSHOP ON THE MILESTONE-BASED  
MONITORING AND EVALUATION (M&E) TOOLS FOR  
SPECIAL PROGRAM IN JOURNALISM (SPJ) AND OTHER  
PROGRAMS CUM REGIONAL PLANNING WORKSHOP FOR  
THE IMPLEMENTATION OF RECONFIGURED REGIONAL  
SCHOOLS PRESS CONFERENCE (RSPC)**

To **Schools Division Superintendents**

1. To further strengthen the capacity of the Region and its 24 Schools Division Offices (SDOs) in implementing policies, monitoring programs, and ensuring the quality delivery of campus journalism initiatives, the Curriculum and Learning Management Division (CLMD) will spearhead the Refinement Workshop on the Milestone-Based Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) Tools for the Special Program in Journalism (SPJ) and Other Programs cum Regional Planning Workshop for the Implementation of the Reconfigured Regional Schools Press Conference (RSPC) on October 13-15, 2025 at a venue that will be announced through a separate issuance.
2. This activity aims to:
  - a. refine and finalize the Milestone-Based Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) tools for the Special Program in Journalism (SPJ) and other related programs to ensure clarity, alignment, and usability across schools and divisions.
  - b. strengthen the capacity of school paper advisers, coordinators, and campus journalists through workshops that highlight journalistic skills, ethical practices, and learner-centered approaches.
  - c. plan and implement the reconfigured Regional Schools Press Conference (RSPC) using the instituted hybrid developmental-competitive framework that integrates capacity-building activities with contest processes.
  - d. address field-level concerns such as access to expert training, overwhelming contest entries, redundancy of topics, and the limited advocacy dimension of the RSPC; and



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- e. promote equity, efficiency, and inclusivity in campus journalism programs while preparing learners for higher-level competitions, in line with RA 7079 and DepEd's thrust toward quality and inclusive education.
3. Participants in this activity are Teachers and Master Teachers, School Head, and Education Program Supervisors from the 24 Schools Division Office together with the Regional Focal Persons of SPJ and other Programs. The list of participants, together with the Indicative Program of Activities, Program Management Team (PMT), and Terms of Reference (ToR) will be issued through a separate memorandum.
4. Food and accommodation of the participants shall be charged against the Development and Promotion of Campus Journalism (DPCJ) Funds. Meanwhile, transportation and incidental expenses of all participants including the Regional Office Personnel may be charged against any available local funds, subject to the usual government accounting and auditing rules and regulations.
5. For questions and clarifications, you may contact Eugene Ray F. Santos, Education Program Supervisors, CLMD, via email at [eugeneray.santos@deped.gov.ph](mailto:eugeneray.santos@deped.gov.ph).
6. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

  
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