



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
Region VI-Western Visayas
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF AKLAN

August 4, 2025

DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. 398, s. 2025

**AUTHORIZATION FOR THE VIEWING OF THE FILM THE SONG OF
THE FIREFLIES IN PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS
FOR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES**

To: OIC- Office of the Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chief Education Supervisors
Education Program Supervisors
Public Schools District Supervisors/ Principal/ Head Teacher In-charge of
the District
Senior/Education Program Specialists
Public and Private Elementary, Secondary and Integrated School Heads
All Others Concerned

1. Attached is a Memorandum from Atty. Fatima Lipp D. Panontongan, Undersecretary and Chief of Staff, Office of the Secretary, and Regional Memorandum No. 699, s. 2025, titled **“Authorization for the Viewing of the Film The Song of the Fireflies in Public and Private Schools for Educational Purposes.”**
2. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

FOR THE SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENT:

MICHAEL T. RAPIZ

Chief Education Supervisor
School Governance and Operations Division
In-charge of the Division

Enclosure: As stated

Reference: Regional Memorandum No. 699, s. 2025

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

**CURRICULUM
STUDENTS**

**PUPILS
SUPERVISION**

SCHOOLS



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REGIONAL MEMORANDUM
No. **699** s, 2025

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THE FIREFLIES IN PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS
FOR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES**

To: Schools Division Superintendents
All Others Concerned

1. Attached is a Memorandum from Atty. Fatima Lipp D. Panontongan, Undersecretary and Chief of Staff, Office of the Secretary, titled Authorization for the Viewing of the Film The Song of the Fireflies in Public and Private Schools for Educational Purposes.
2. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum are desired.


CRISTITO A. ECO, CESO III
Assistant Regional Director
Officer-In-Charge
Office of the Regional Director

Encl.: None

Reference: As stated

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index
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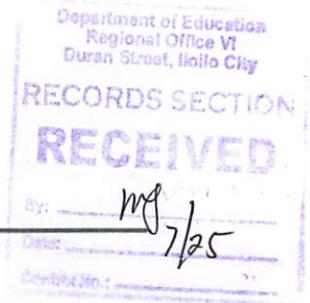
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MEMORANDUM

TO : **ALL REGIONAL DIRECTORS
ALL SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS
ALL PUBLIC AND PRIVATE ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY
SCHOOL HEADS
ALL OTHERS CONCERNED**

FROM : **ATTY. FÁTIMA LIPP D. PANONTONGAN**
Undersecretary and Chief of Staff

SUBJECT : **AUTHORIZATION FOR THE VIEWING OF THE FILM THE
SONG OF THE FIREFLIES IN PUBLIC AND PRIVATE
SCHOOLS FOR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES**

DATE : **July 24, 2025**

The Department of Education (DepEd) recognizes the transformative power of music and the resilience of Filipino youth.

Inspired by true events, the film **The Song of the Fireflies** tells the story of the Loboc Children's Choir, an ensemble of children from a remote and idyllic town in Bohol who, guided by a devoted teacher-trainer, discover their potential through music. The Film portrays how young people can overcome adversity through passion, talent, and community support.

With its rich educational themes, the film offers meaningful opportunities to enhance classroom discussions in values education, music, and Filipino culture.

In this regard, DepEd finds it appropriate to allow learners of suitable age and maturity to view the film under the discretion and guidance of school heads and teachers. Such viewings shall be conducted in accordance with existing DepEd policies, including but not limited to the **No Collection Policy**.¹

For your guidance and appropriate action.

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¹ DepEd Order No. 19, s. 2008, Implementation of No Collection Policy in All Public Elementary and Secondary Schools