



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
REGION VI – WESTERN VISAYAS
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF AKLAN

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DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. **416**, s. 2026

**GUIDELINES IN THE CONDUCT OF SCHOOL SPORTS COMPETITION FOR
SCHOOL YEAR 2026- 2027**

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chief Education Supervisors
Education Program Supervisors
Senior/Education Program Specialists
Public Schools District Supervisors/
Principals and Head Teacher-In-Charge of the District
Heads of Public and Private Elementary/Integrated/Secondary Schools
All Others Concerned

1. The Schools Division of Aklan issues the following Policies and Guidelines in the conduct of the School Sports Competition for School Year 2026- 2027.
2. The recommended schedule of activities is as follows:

Activity	Date
Intramural/School Meet	July 2026 (after class hours/ Saturdays/ Sundays/ Holidays)
Clustered School Meet	August 2026 (after class hours/ Saturdays/ Sundays/ Holidays)
District/Municipal Meet	August 2026 (after class hours/ Saturdays/ Sundays/ Holidays)
East and West Aklan Sports Meet	September 12-15, 2026
Aklan Division Athletic Association (ADAA) Meet	November 28-30, 2026
Western Visayas Regional Athletic (WVRAA) Meet	March 24 – April 8, 2027
Palarong Pambansa 2027	May 3-7, 2027 (based on DO 09, s. 2026)

3. The Provincial Meet shall be participated in by 17 municipalities/districts qualified from the conduct of the East Aklan and West Aklan Sports Meet (See *Enclosure 3 for reference*), competing in the Palarong Pambansa identified sport events, namely: Regular Sports for Elementary and Secondary, Paragames for Students with Disabilities (SWD's), and Demonstration Sports.
4. The participants of the sports meet shall be elementary and secondary athletes from public and private schools who are bonafide members of the school sports club.



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5. As a general rule, Kindergarten to Grade 6 athletes shall play in the elementary division, and Grade 7 to 12 athletes shall play in the secondary division. However, athletes who have been declared overage in the elementary level may be allowed to play in the secondary level.

6. For an elementary athlete, the cut-off age/year is 13 years old or must have been born on or after January 1, 2014; and for a secondary athlete, the cut-off age is 18 years old or must have been born on or after January 1, 2009. Athletes born before the said date shall be immediately disqualified from the District, Unit, Division, and Regional Meets.

7. The **Modified Winners-Takes-All** policy shall be adopted for all team sports (Basketball, Baseball, Softball, Football, Futsal, Sepak Takraw, and Volleyball) in accordance with the 2025 Palarong Pambansa Memorandum No. OM-OUOPS-2025-05-00833, s. 2025.

8. Participation in sports activity shall be subject to the no disruption of classes policy pursuant to DO No. 09, s. 2005 titled Instituting Measures to Increase Engaged Time-on Task and Ensuring Compliance Therewith and based on DO 09, s. 2026 regarding the Three-Term School Calendar.

9. The Selection of athletes and coaches that will represent the Province of Aklan to the Western Visayas Regional Athletic Association (WVRAA) Meet will be determined by the Aklan School Sports Council from among the provincial sports participants and based from established sports standards.

10. Any school (private or public) personnel may be allowed/designated as a coach or assistant coach, provided he/she meets and submits the following documentary requirements:

- a. He/she must be a Filipino citizen;
- b. Certificate of relevant sports training of twenty-four (24) hours for non-combative sports and forty (40) hours for combative sports and gymnastics;
- c. Certificate of relevant experience of one (1) year for non-combative sports and two (2) years for combative sports/ gymnastics;
- d. Coach Track Record of participation in the division and regional meet;
- e. Educational or professional attainment of at least 2nd-year college, preferably sports-related course;
- f. Certificate of Membership in any relevant sports association, or License or certifications/accreditation issued by the National/ International Sports Association, authorized organization, or by the DepEd (Division, Region, or Central Office);

11. Expenses incurred by the athletes, coaches, chaperons, trainers, officiating, and DepEd officials relative to this activity are chargeable against local funds or to any other sources of funds subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

12. Participants are entitled to service credits where it applies in accordance with DepEd Order No. 53, s. 2003 Updated Guidelines on Grant of Vacation Service Credits to Teachers and Compensatory time off (CTO) shall be given to non-teaching and teaching-related personnel involved in the activity as per Civil Service Commission (CSC) and Department of Budget and Management (DBM) Joint



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Circular No 2, s. 2004 or Non-Monetary Remuneration for Overtime Service Rendered.

13. Immediate dissemination and compliance with this Memorandum are desired.


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Schools Division Superintendent 

Encl.: As Stated

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