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

November 13, 2026

DIVISION MEMORANDUM
No. 715, s. 2026

2026 DIVISION SCHOOLS PRESS CONFERENCE 2.0

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chief Education Supervisors
Education Program Supervisors/Division Coordinators
Public Schools District Supervisors
Principals/Head Teacher In-Charge of the District
Division/District Campus Journalism Focal Persons
Heads of Public and Private Elementary, Secondary, and Integrated Schools
School Paper Advisers
All Concerned

1. This is to inform the field that the Schools Division of Aklan in coordination with the Regional Association of the School Paper Advisers and Campus Journalist, Inc. will conduct the **2026 Division Schools Press Conference (DSPC) 2.0** on November 21-22, 2026 (November 21, 2026 – Elementary and November 22, 2026 – Secondary) per Section 1, Rule 2 of RA 7079, also known as the Campus Journalism Act of 1991.

2. The theme for this year's Division Schools Press Conference: "**Pampaaralang Pamamahayag: Sandigan ng Bawat Paaralan, Lakas sa Pagtatanggol sa Katotohanan.**"

3. This year's host is the Municipality/District of Numancia. The contest venue is Numancia Integrated School, Poblacion, Numancia, Aklan.

4. The conference aims to:
   a. promote understanding among campus journalists/participants the importance of journalism by expressing it through different journalistic endeavors;
   b. provide a venue for an enriching learning experience for pupils and students in pursuing journalism as a career;
   c. promote responsible and ethical journalism; and
   d. enhance journalistic competence through healthy and friendly competitions.

5. The participants in these contests may come from public and private elementary, secondary, and integrated schools comprising the district's top 5 winners for the individual categories and top 1 in the group categories

and must pre-register online on or before November 16, 2026 through a link that will be provided in the chat group of the District Campus Journalism Focal Person.

6. Participants for the Radio Scriptwriting and Broadcasting, TV Scriptwriting and Newscasting, and Collaborative Desktop Publishing, one (1) team composed of seven (7) members shall be allowed to participate in every medium. On the other hand, for Online Publishing, one (1) team composed of five (5) members shall be allowed to join in every medium.

7. Participants for mobile journalism will be the Top 1 winner in the district level with only 1 participant per Medium. This is a new regular contest added to for secondary level.

8. The following are the contest categories, to wit:

    a. News Writing and Pagsulat ng Balita
    b. Editorial Writing and Pagsulat ng Pangulong Tudling
    c. Feature Writing and Pagsulat ng Lathalain
    d. Sports Writing and Pagsulat ng Balitang Pampalakasan
    e. Copyediting and Headline Writing and Pagwawasto ng Sipi at Pag-uulo ng Balita
    f. Science and Technology Writing and Pagsulat ng Pang-agham at Panteknolohiyang Balita
    g. Editorial Cartooning and Kartung Pang-editoryal
    h. Photojournalism and Larawang Pampahayagan
    i. Column Writing and Pagsulat ng Kolum
    j. Mobile Journalism
    k. Radio Script Writing and Broadcasting (Filipino and English)
    l. Collaborative Desktop Publishing (Filipino and English)
    m. Online Publishing (Filipino and English) – Secondary Level only
    n. TV Script Writing and News Casting (Filipino and English) – Secondary Level only
    o. School Paper
    p. Search for the Outstanding Campus Journalist (Elementary and Secondary)
    q. Search for the Outstanding School Paper Adviser (Elementary and Secondary)

9. For the specific guidelines of the contest categories, please refer to the 2026 National Schools Press Conference (NSPC) Memorandum and localized guidelines approved by the SDS.

10. It is also understood that all the cameras, gadgets, extension cords, laptops and other needed equipment for Photojournalism, Radio Scriptwriting and Broadcasting, TV Scriptwriting and Newscasting, Collaborative Desktop Publishing, Online Publishing, an Moblie Journalism will be provided by the participating contestant/team.

11. Each participating school shall submit a copy of its school paper from SY 2025–2026 or its First Quarter issue for SY 2026–2027, together with a Certificate of Circulation issued by the School Paper Adviser and attested to by the School Head. The latest issue for SY 2026–2027 shall be submitted by RSPC qualifiers at the regional level. The deadline for submission is November 16, 2026. The DCJFP shall collect one (1) hard copy for exhibit and soft copies of the school paper and Certificate of Circulation for documentation. Only learners from schools with existing print or digital school publications in Filipino or English shall be eligible to participate.

12. There will be a concurrent session on crafting of school paper intended for the schools of the District of Buruanga in partnership with Aklan State University. Schools without school paper are from the District of Buruanga are requested to send 2 participants (1 IT Expert and 1 School Paper Adviser) on November 21, 2026 at Numancia IS, Numancia, Aklan.

13. The deadline for the submission of the documents for Search for the Most Outstanding Campus Journalist (Elementary and Secondary) and the Search for the Most Outstanding School Paper Adviser (Elementary/Secondary) will be on November 18, 2026. However, the deadline of the School Paper for contest will be on November 20, 2026 until 12 :00 a.m. only.

14. To ensure the smooth conduct of the 2026 Division Schools Press Conference, there will be a meeting of the Education Program Supervisors In-charge of Campus Journalism, Elementary and Secondary Division/District Campus Journalism Focal Persons, SPAADA officers, Technical Working Group, Working Committee chairpersons and members, and contest directors and facilitators on November 20, 2026, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at Numancia Integrated School, Poblacion, Numancia, Aklan. Teaching personnel participants shall arrange/implement emergency class schedule in compliance with "No Disruption of Classes Policy" based on D.O. No. 09, s. 2026 and D.O. 09, s. 2005.

15. A membership fee of One Hundred Pesos Only (Php 100.00) shall be collected from each participating school paper adviser/coach and Fifty Pesos Only (Php 50.00) from each participating campus journalist shall be paid on or before November 20, 2026.

16. Teacher participants and facilitators are entitled to service credits in accordance with DepEd Order No. 53, s. 2003 titled: Updated Guidelines on the grants of Vacation Service Credits to Teachers. On the other hand, Non-Teaching personnel including the manager staff shall be provided with Compensatory Time Off (CTO) as per Civil Service Commission (CSC) and Department of Budget (DBM) Joint Circular No. 2, s. 2004 on Non-Monetary Remuneration for Overtime Service Rendered.

17. Expenses relative to the conduct of the DSPC, such as but not limited to membership fees, incidental, and transportation expenses of the participants are chargeable against the school MOOE, School Paper Fund, SEF, and other available funds subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

18. For inquiries regarding the said activities, you may see or call Mr. Marth S. Tropa, Education Program Supervisor In-charge of Campus Journalism, through his FB account, Marth Tropa and Mr. Kurt Gil M. Fuentes, Teacher III, Numacia IS, District of Numancia, District Campus Journalism Focal Person through his FB account, Kurt Gil.

19. Other details of this Memorandum are attached.

20. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

FELICIANO C. BUENAFE JR., CESO V
Division Schools Superintendent

Enclosures:
Enclosure No. 1: Schedule of Activities
Enclosure No. 2: Matrix of Activities
Enclosure No. 3: Working Committees
Enclosure No. 4: Contest Directors and Facilitators

References:
RA 7079

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index
under the subjects

CONFERENCES JOURNALISM LEARNERS SCHOOL PAPER

Enclosure 1 to the Division Memorandum No. 715, s. 2026

2026 DIVISION SCHOOLS PRESS CONFERENCE

November 21, 2026
Numancia Integrated School
Poblacion, Numancia, Aklan

SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

Date	Activity	Persons-in-charge/Involved
November 13, 2026	Face-to-face pre-finalization meeting	Division/District CJ Focal Persons
November 14-15, 2026	2026 DSPC Preparations	ALL concerned
November 16, 2025	Deadline of Pre-registration of Participants Submission of the School Paper and Certificate of Circulation compliance	Education Program Supervisors In-charge of Campus Journalism Public Schools District Supervisors/Principals/Head Teacher In-charge of the District Division/DSPC Registration Committee SPAADA District/School CJ Focal Persons School Paper Advisers
November 18, 2026	Deadline for the submission of the documents for Search for the Most Outstanding Campus Journalist (Elementary and Secondary) and the Search for the Most Outstanding School Paper Adviser (Elementary/Secondary)	Education Program Supervisors In-charge of Campus Journalism Public Schools District Supervisors/Principals/Head Teacher In-charge of the District
November 20, 2026	Finalization Meeting of Working Committees; Solidarity Meeting and ocular inspection of Contest Directors and Contest Facilitators	-Division/DSPC Registration Committee -District/School CJ Focal Persons -School Paper Advisers

	Deadline of the School Paper for contest Checking of Laptop for Collaborative Desktop Publishing – Elementary Level, Mobile Journalism- Secondary Level will start at 1:00 p.m. Solidarity Meeting of the Coaches of the Mobile Journalism	-Coaches and Collaborative Desktop Publishing Contest Director and Contest Facilitator
November 21, 2026	Contests Concurrent Session Awarding Ceremonies – Elementary Checking of Laptop for Collaborative Desktop Publishing and Online Publishing – Secondary Level will start at 1:00 p.m.	-Education Program Supervisors In-charge of Campus Journalism -Division/District CJ Focal Persons -SPAADA Program and Awards Committee All other concerned Assigned Committees Awards Committee - Coaches and Collaborative Desktop Publishing and Online Publishing Contest Director and Contest Facilitator
November 22, 2026	Contests Awarding Ceremonies – Secondary	-Education Program Supervisors In-charge of Campus Journalism -Division/District CJ Focal Persons -SPAADA Program and Awards Committee All other concerned Assigned Committees Awards Committee
November 28, 2026	Post Conference	ALL concerned

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Poblacion, Numancia, Aklan

MATRIX OF ACTIVITIES

November 20, 2026	
TIME	**ACTIVITY**
8:00 -5:00	Solidarity Meeting and Venue Preparation
November 21, 2026 (ELEMENTARY)	
7:00-8:00	Photojournalism and Radio Broadcasting Orientation checking and sealing of camera, SD Card, and laptop, etc...
8:00-9:00	Press Conference for Collaborative Desktop Publishing
8:00-10:30	Orientation and Contest Proper (First batch English 8:00-9:00 a.m. Second batch Filipino -10:30 a.m.) **Individual Contests** • News Writing • Feature Writing • Sports Writing • Editorial Writing • Editorial Cartooning • Science and Technology Writing • Copyreading and Headline Writing • Column Writing • Photojournalism
8:00 – onwards	**Individual Contests** Photojournalism Mobile Journalism (secondary level joined to Elementary Level Schedule) **Group Contests** • Radio Scriptwriting and Broadcasting • Collaborative Desktop Publishing
10:00-11:00	Election of Campus Journalism Officers (Campus Journalists)
12:00-1:00	LUNCH
1:00-onwards	DSPC Program and Awarding Ceremony
November 22, 2026 (SECONDARY)	
7:00-8:00	Photojournalism and Radio Broadcasting/TV Newscasting Orientation checking and sealing of camera, SD Card, and laptop, etc...
7:30-8:00	Press Conference for Collaborative Desktop Publishing, Online Publishing, and TV Newscasting
8:00-9:00	Orientation and Contest Proper Orientation and Contest Proper (First batch English 8:00-9:00 a.m. Second batch Filipino -10:30 a.m.) **Individual Contests** • News Writing

	• Feature Writing • Sports Writing • Editorial Writing • Editorial Cartooning • Science and Technology Writing • Copyreading and Headline Writing • Column Writing • Photojournalism
8:00 – onwards	**Individual Contests** Photojournalism **Group Contests** • Radio Scriptwriting and Broadcasting • Collaborative Desktop Publishing • Online Publishing • TV Scriptwriting and Newscasting
10:00-11:00	Election of Campus Journalism Officers (Campus Journalists)
12:00-1:00	LUNCH
1:00- onwards	DSPC Program and Awarding Ceremony

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES

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MARTH S. TROPA
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Over-all Co-Chairperson

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ACCOMODATION, VENUE, AND SCHEDULE

Chairpersons	Joyce M. Toriaga
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TEAM TO GUIDE THE CAMPUS JOURNALIST TO THE CONTEST ROOMS

From Numancia District

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	Antonino Tolentino
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CONTEST DIRECTORS & FACILITATORS

NEWS WRITING/PAGSULAT NG BALITA

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	Katrina G. Iglesias

FEATURE WRITING/PAGSULAT NG LATHALAIN

Contest Director:	Annie B. Malacas
Facilitators:	Jina Jane F. Mongcal
	Analiza C. Neron

EDITORIAL WRITING/PAGSULAT NG PANGULONG-TUDLING

Contest Director:	Reena Krizzia A. Dignos
Facilitators:	Jennifer D. Rentillo
	Jayson I. Barrientos

SPORTS WRITING/PAGSULAT NG BALITANG PAMPALAKASAN

Contest Directors:	Noime V. Penalba
Facilitators:	Analiza A. Viray
	Jennifer T. Dumaran

COPYEDITING AND HEADLINE WRITING/PAGWAWASTO NG SIPI AT PAG-UULO NG BALITA

Contest Directors: Anjhielyn Mae C. Cahilig

Facilitators: Ramela J. Peralta

Ma. Christine B. Tejada

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY WRITING/PAGSULAT NG BALITANG PANG-AGHAM AT PANTEKNOLOHIYA

Contest Director: Philma I. Reunir

Mark Anthony I. Villanueva

Facilitators: Mary Jane R. Asma

PHOTOJOURNALISM/LARAWANG PAMPAHAYAGAN

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Facilitators: Cena Rose P. Dela Cruz

Lito M. Andrade

Lovely Ann duran

Gieyll Villanueva

Aldin B. Yasul

EDITORIAL CARTOONING/KARTUNG-PANG-EDITORYAL

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Ma. Chona O. Escalona

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Elementary/ Secondary

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	Mirasol D. Gregorio
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Dennis E. Bontogon

Hanie Grace R. Torre

MOSPA/MOCJ

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