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DepEd MEMORANDUM  
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**NATIONAL SCHOOLS PRESS CONFERENCE (NSPC)  
FOR SY 2002-2003**

To : Bureau Directors  
Regional Directors  
Schools Division/City Superintendents

1. As a culminating activity of the Campus Journalism Program for SY 2002-2003, the National Schools Press Conference (NSPC) shall be held on February 24-27, 2003 at Lapu-Lapu City and Mandaue City, Region VII.
2. As adopted in this year's RSPC, the theme of the national conference is "Expanding the Reach of Campus Journalism through Information and Communication Technology" (Pagpapalawak ng Saklaw ng Pampaaralang Pamamahayag sa Pamamagitan ng Teknolohiya sa Impormasyon at Komunikasyon). The 2002-2003 NSPC aims to :
  - a. broaden the students' competencies in journalism through the application of information and communication technology;
  - b. enrich the experiences and enhance the skills of student-writers and teacher-advisers through friendly journalistic competition; and
  - c. hone the mentoring/coaching abilities of school paper advisers in desktop publishing and radio broadcasting.
3. The main participants in the NSPC are the TWO THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED EIGHTY EIGHT (2,688) RSPC winners of the individual writing contests both in English and Filipino at the elementary and secondary levels. The other participants who shall compose the regional delegations are listed in the Inclosure.
4. The host region for the NSPC shall receive a subsidy of THREE MILLION PESOS (3,000,000.00). A minimal registration fee of TWO THOUSAND PESOS (2,000.00) per participant to augment existing funds shall be charged against local funds subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.
5. Participants from private schools should make the necessary arrangements with their respective institutions for their participation in the NSPC. *CA*

6. Those regions with pupil/student participants with special needs shall make appropriate arrangements with the host region.

7. The Implementing Guidelines for the conduct of the NSPC and its related activities are appended as Inclosure to this Memorandum.

8. Inquiries may be addressed to :

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9. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

  
**EDILBERTO C. DE JESUS**  
Secretary

Encls.:

As stated

Reference:

DepEd Memorandum: No. 4, s. 2002

Allotment: 1—(D.O. 50-97)

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

CONFERENCES  
CONTESTS  
PUPILS  
SCHOOL PAPERS  
STUDENTS

(Inclosure to DepEd Memorandum No. 2, s. 2003)


**IMPLEMENTING GUIDELINES FOR THE CONDUCT OF THE NATIONAL SCHOOLS  
PRESS CONFERENCE (NSPC), SY 2002-2003**

**General Guidelines**

▪ **Travel Arrangements**

- a. The head of the regional delegation shall be responsible for his/her delegation's travel arrangements to and from the contest site and during the NSPC activities.
- b. The list of members of regional delegation, certified by the Regional Director, with the males separated from the females, shall be sent not later than January 15, 2003 to the Director of Region VII, Cebu City, copy furnished:
  1. The Director IV, Bureau of Elementary Education
  2. The Director III, In-Charge of BSE
  3. The Schools Division Superintendent, Lapu-Lapu City
- c. Information about the means of transportation, date and time of arrival of the regional delegation shall be provided the host region at least two (2) weeks before the date of arrival.

▪ **Registration Schedule, Fees and Other Registration Arrangements**

- a. Each delegate to the NSPC shall be charged a registration fee of **TWO THOUSAND PESOS (2,000.00)** payable to the host region, for a four (4)-day conference that shall start on February 24 and shall end on February 27. The first meal (lunch) shall be served on February 24 and the last meal (morning snack) on February 28.
- b. Regional participants are required to register with the Registration Committee by presenting their school identification cards (I.D.), a medical certificate issued by a government physician and a copy of parent's permit. The Registration Committee is under strict instructions not to accept registrants without these necessary documents.
- c. The Registration Committee shall receive from each Regional Editors' Guild President and Regional Advisers' Association President (elementary and secondary) the total collection of the membership fees in their respective regions within the duration of the NSPC.
- d. The collection shall be turned over to the respective treasurers of the national associations (PAESPA, NSSPAA) and the National Editors' Guild for Elementary and Secondary. 

▪ **Participants and Other Members of the Regional Delegation**

- a. The number of participants of each regional delegation is 351 broken down as follows:

**Elementary**

84 winners (5 categories x 7 winners x 2 ( English & Filipino)  
(2 categories x 7 winners either English or Filipino)

84 school paper advisers

- 1 outstanding school campus journalist
- 1 outstanding school paper adviser
- 1 Chief , Elementary Education Division
- 1 Assistant Chief, Elementary Education Division
- 1 Regional Supervisor In-Charge of English or Filipino
- 1 President of the Regional Elementary Editors' Guild
- 1 President of the Regional Association of Elementary School Paper Advisers

**Secondary**

84 winners (5 categories x 7 winners x 2 ( English & Filipino)  
(2 categories x 7 winners either English or Filipino)

84 school paper advisers

- 1 Chief of the Secondary Education Division
- 1 Assistant Chief of the Secondary Education Division
- 1 Regional Supervisor In-Charge of English or Filipino
- 1 outstanding secondary school paper adviser
- 1 outstanding secondary school campus journalist
- 1 President of the Regional Secondary Editors' Guild
- 1 President of the Regional Association of Secondary School Paper Advisers
- 1 Regional Supervisor In-Charge of Journalism (either elementary or secondary, English or Filipino)

- b. Other participants (408) in the NSPC are as follows:

- 40 Members of the Central Office working committees
- 9 Officers of the Philippine Association of Elementary School Paper Advisers (PAESPA)
- 9 Officers of the National Secondary School Paper Advisers Association (NSSPAA)
- 100 Members of the local working committees
- 154 Division Supervisors in-charge of Journalism (English or Filipino)
  - 9 Officers of the National Elementary Editors' Guild
  - 9 Officers of the National Secondary Editors' Guild
- 78 Board of Judges (Individual and Special Demo Contests)

▪ **Accommodation/Billeting Quarters**

**BILLETING CENTERS FOR NSPC**

<b>REGION</b>	<b>S C H O O L</b>
I	Pusok National High School
II	Mactan Elementary School

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REGION	SCHOOL
III	Pusok Elementary School
IV	MABES
V	Suba-Masulog Elementary School
VI	Pajo Elementary School
VII	Marigondon Elementary School
VIII	Pajo National High School
IX	Bankal Elementary School
X	Babag National High School
XI	Mandaue City Central Elementary School
XII	Don Geraldo National High School
CARAGA	Mactan National High School
CAR	Basak Elementary School
NCR	Lapu-Lapu City Central Elementary School
ARMM	Gun-ob Elementary School

▪ **NSPC PROGRAM FLOW**

- The four (4)-day conference shall officially start on February 24, 2003, Monday, and shall end on February 27, Thursday.
- **The opening program on February 24, (Day 1) Monday** shall be held at the Mandaue City Sports Complex, Mandaue City at 1:00 p.m to be followed by a tour around Lapu-Lapu City and Mandaue City.
- **Day Two (February 25) Tuesday** is the contest proper. All contests shall be held at MARIGONDON NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, Lapu-Lapu City from 7:30 a.m to 5:30 p.m.
- **Day Three (February 26) Wednesday**

A.M. – Demo Contests

Desktop Publishing - Marigondon National High School	8:00-12:00
Radio Broadcast - University of Cebu-HS Dept.	8:00-12:00

P.M. – Election of Officers (Editors' Guild) 1:00-3:00

Teacher-Advisers Associations' Meeting 1:00-3:00

Meetings of Chiefs and Asst. Chiefs, SED 1:00-3:00

Awarding ceremonies 4:00-7:00

For outstanding elementary and secondary school paper advisers and outstanding elementary and secondary campus journalists and for group contests.

- Elementary - Lapu-Lapu City Auditorium
- Secondary - Mandaue City Sports Complex

- **Day Four (February 27) Thursday**

A.M - Awarding Ceremonies for Individual Contests 8:00-10:00

- Elementary – Lapu-Lapu City Auditorium
- Secondary – Mandaue City Sports Complex

P.M. – Closing Program, Mandaue Sports Complex 10:00-12:00

- Awarding ceremonies for the overall regional champion for the group and individual contests for both elementary and secondary levels

• **Contest Rules**

- a. Contestants are not allowed to use cellular/mobile phones and the like during the contest proper.
- b. Substitution of regional winners or contestants shall not be allowed in the NSPC proper, although a teacher-adviser replacement is allowed for an adviser who cannot participate in the NSPC, for as long as the number of regional delegation is maintained.
- c. Participants in photojournalism may use cameras of their choice. Sophisticated cameras (with zoom lens, wide angle, telephoto and the like) may be allowed except for digital camera. Films shall be made available to the participants for free a few minutes before the contest.
- d. Participants are required to be at the testing centers on time. A waiting/holding area for contestants and advisers shall be provided within the compound of the testing center.

**OTHER NSPC RELATED ACTIVITIES**

The Search for the Outstanding Elementary and Secondary School Paper Advisers and the Outstanding Elementary and Secondary Campus Journalists of the Philippines for SY 2002-2003 shall continue to be a part of this year's conference. (DECS Memorandum No. 453, s. 2000.) 9