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REGION X  
**SCHOOLS DIVISION OF LANA DEL NORTE**

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DIVISION MEMORANDUM  
No. 535 s. 2025

**SEARCH FOR MOST OUTSTANDING CAMPUS JOURNALISTS AND SCHOOL  
PAPER ADVISERS**

To: Public Schools District Supervisors/Coordinating School Principals  
Public, Private, Science Elementary and Secondary School Heads  
All Others Concerned

1. Relative to the conduct of the Regional Schools Press Conference, this Office announces the **Search for Outstanding Campus Journalists and School Paper Advisers**.
2. The Search for Outstanding Campus Journalists and School Paper Advisers aims to give merit to teachers and students who demonstrate commendable performance in campus journalism.
3. Winners of the previous years' National and Regional Schools Press Conferences are encouraged to submit their documents on September 18 – October 8 at the Division Office.
4. Interested applicants must read the contest guidelines and criteria in DepEd Memorandum No 39 s 2025 (see attached).
5. The Interview will take place on October 10 at Tubod Central Elementary School.
6. Travel and other incidental expenses of the participants shall be charged to the schools' MOOE subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.
7. Immediate dissemination of and strict compliance on the contents of this Memorandum is enjoined.

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Schools Division Superintendent

Encls: As stated  
To be indicated in the perpetual index  
PROGRAMS  
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CURRICULUM COMPETITIONS

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**ANNEX K1**

**CRITERIA FOR THE SEARCH  
FOR OUTSTANDING CAMPUS JOURNALIST**

**A. ACADEMIC STANDING in ALL LEARNING AREAS (latest grading period)**

Rank	with Highest Honors	with High Honors	with Honors	89-85 average	Earned points:
Points	15	10	5	3	_____

MOVs:

SP 9 - Report Card

Certificate of Recognition / Certification from the school principal

**B. ACHIEVEMENTS IN CAMPUS JOURNALISM**

Achievements in Campus Journalism Contests refer to the awards received by the nominee every year from Schools Press Conferences organized by the Department of Education.

**1. Individual Contests**

**Earned Points**

a. National

Rank	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
Points	25	24	23	22	21

b. Regional

Rank	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
Points	20	19	18	17	16

c. Division

Rank	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
Points	15	14	13	12	11

**2. Group Contests**

a. National

Rank	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
Points	25	24	23	22	21

b. Regional

Rank	1st	2nd	3rd
Points	20	19	18

c. Division

Rank	1st	2nd	3rd
Points	15	14	13

**Special Awards in Group Contests:****Earned Points**

a. National					
Rank	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
Points	15	14	13	12	11
b. Regional					
Rank	1st	2nd	3rd		
Points	10	9	8		
c. Division					
Rank	1st	2nd	3rd		
Points	7	6	5		

**MOVs:**

Certificate/s of Recognition

Copy of the official results (division, regional, and national levels) where the name of the applicant is indicated

DepEd Memorandum

**C. LEADERSHIP, INNOVATIONS, AND ADVOCACIES****Position of the Nominee in the School Publication****Earned Points**

Editor-in-Chief	10
Associate Editor	8
Section Editor	5
Writer/Contributor/Others	3

**Editors' Guild Leadership** (Highest elected position per level)**Earned Points**

Position	National	Regional	Division
President	10	7	4
Vice President	9	6	3
Other positions	8	5	2

Recognized by DepEd

**Innovations and Advocacies Related to Campus Journalism****Earned Points**

Implementation	National	Regional	Division	District	School
	30	25	20	15	10

**MOVs:**

Certification from the School Principal, Association President / Adviser

Copy of the school paper

Copy of the Project Proposal / Concept Paper and Accomplishment Report for innovations and advocacies

Certificate of Accomplishment signed by the School Principal, Schools

Division Superintendent, and Regional Director



#### D. COMMUNITY AND EXTENSION SERVICES RELATED TO JOURNALISM

	Earned Points		
	National	Regional	Division
Committee Chairperson	10	8	6
Facilitator	8	6	4

##### MOVs:

Copy of the Project Proposal / Concept Paper and Accomplishment Report for innovations and advocacies

Certificate of Recognition / Accomplishment from the School Principal, Schools Division Superintendent, Regional Director, and DepEd Central Office Personnel

#### E. PUBLISHED WORKS

	Earned Points		
	National	Regional	Division
Articles Written in National and Local Dailies, Editors Guild Newsletters, Palaro News Letters and Documentaries	5	3	1

##### MOVs:

Copy of the publication

Certificate of Acknowledgement / Recognition from the editor

#### F. Journalism-related Trainings Attended

*(Only trainings recognized or organized by DepEd)*

Earned Points			
National	Regional	Division	School/District
5	4	3	2

##### MOVs:

Certificate of Participation

DepEd Memo / Advisory

Photos

#### G. PANEL INTERVIEW with the SELECTION COMMITTEE (10 pts)

1. Understanding of Journalism Principles and Ethics
2. Leadership/ Mentorship Potential
3. Experience and Engagement in Campus Journalism
4. Commitment to Growth and Learning
5. Communication Skills

Each category will be scored as follows:

- 0 – 0.4 points : Insufficient answer or no response
- 0.5 – 0.9 points: Limited understanding or experience
- 1 point: Clear, thoughtful, and comprehensive response

**Earned Points**



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## ANNEX L

### Search for the Outstanding School Paper Advisers (OSPA) of the Philippines

#### Qualification:

1. Must be a practicing school paper adviser for the past five (5) consecutive year  
*MOV: Designation Order from the school principal, SF 7  
(Refer to RA 7079 for the definition of a school paper adviser.)*

#### Guidelines

1. Each region shall select an outstanding school paper adviser for elementary and secondary levels.
2. A copy of the school paper published for the past three (3) years must be submitted.
3. The candidate shall submit a photocopy of all documents to the Regional Search Committee duly certified true and correct by the Division Supervisor in charge of Journalism. An endorsement letter from the Schools Division Superintendent shall form part of the documents to be submitted.
4. The regional search committee shall be composed of the CLMD Chief, the Regional Supervisor in charge of journalism, and the Regional Association Presidents (Elementary and Secondary). The search committee may opt to add members coming from the Regional Office (1) and regional SPA associations for elementary (1) and for secondary (1).
5. An adviser - OSPA awardee who transfers from one level to another (i.e., elementary to secondary or vice versa) may vie for another OSPA award on his/her current level only after a five-year service as School Paper Adviser.
6. Contenders who failed to be adjudged as the Outstanding School Paper Adviser may vie again the following year.
7. The candidate who garnered the highest accumulated points will be declared as the Outstanding School Paper Adviser.
8. Only the regional winner duly endorsed by the Regional Director shall be recognized at the Awarding Ceremony during the National Schools Press Conference.
9. Past OSPA awardees, except for those who fall under Item 6, are excluded from future nominations.

## ANNEX L1

### CRITERIA FOR THE SEARCH FOR OUTSTANDING SCHOOL PAPER ADVISER

#### A. PERFORMANCE RATING

1. Must have an average performance rating of not lower than Very Satisfactory (VS) for the past five (5) school years

#### B. ACHIEVEMENTS IN JOURNALISM CONTESTS FOR THE PAST FIVE YEARS

(NOTE: Achievements in Journalism Contests refer to the awards received by the nominee from Schools Press Conferences sanctioned by the Department of Education. The candidate shall earn the corresponding points of all his/her winnings at all levels for the last 10 years, in all instances.)

1. INDIVIDUAL CONTESTS	Weight	Earned points
<b>a. National</b>		
1 <sup>st</sup> ..... 20 pts	<u>8%</u>	_____
2 <sup>nd</sup> ..... 19 pts		_____
3 <sup>rd</sup> ..... 18 pts		_____
4 <sup>th</sup> ..... 17 pts		_____
5 <sup>th</sup> ..... 16 pts		_____
6 <sup>th</sup> ..... 15 pts		_____
7 <sup>th</sup> ..... 14 pts		_____
<b>b. Regional</b>		
1 <sup>st</sup> ..... 12 pts	<u>5%</u>	_____
2 <sup>nd</sup> ..... 11 pts		_____
3 <sup>rd</sup> ..... 10 pts		_____
<b>c. Division</b>		
1 <sup>st</sup> ..... 7 pts	<u>3%</u>	_____
2 <sup>nd</sup> ..... 6 pts		_____
3 <sup>rd</sup> ..... 5 pts		_____
<b>2. GROUP CONTESTS</b>		
<b>a. National</b>		
1 <sup>st</sup> ..... 20 pts	<u>8%</u>	_____
2 <sup>nd</sup> ..... 19 pts		_____
3 <sup>rd</sup> ..... 18 pts		_____
4 <sup>th</sup> ..... 17 pts		_____
5 <sup>th</sup> ..... 16 pts		_____
6 <sup>th</sup> ..... 15 pts		_____
7 <sup>th</sup> ..... 14 pts		_____



		Weight	Earned Points
<b>b. Regional</b>			
1 <sup>st</sup>	12 pts	<u>5%</u>	_____
2 <sup>nd</sup>	11 pts		
3 <sup>rd</sup>	10 pts		
<b>c. Division</b>			
1 <sup>st</sup>	7 pts	<u>3%</u>	_____
2 <sup>nd</sup>	6 pts		
3 <sup>rd</sup>	5 pts		

## 2.1 SPECIAL AWARDS IN GROUP CONTESTS

		Weight	Earned Points
<b>a. National</b>			
1 <sup>st</sup>	15 pts	<u>3%</u>	_____
2 <sup>nd</sup>	14 pts		
3 <sup>rd</sup>	13 pts		
4 <sup>th</sup>	12 pts		
5 <sup>th</sup>	11 pts		
6 <sup>th</sup>	10 pts		
7 <sup>th</sup>	9 pts		
<b>b. Regional</b>			
1 <sup>st</sup>	7 pts	<u>2%</u>	_____
2 <sup>nd</sup>	6 pts		
3 <sup>rd</sup>	5 pts		
<b>c. Division</b>			
1 <sup>st</sup>	4 pts	<u>1%</u>	_____
2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 pts		
3 <sup>rd</sup>	2 pts		

		Weight	Earned Points
<b>3. SCHOOL PUBLICATION CONTEST</b>			
*points per section			
<b>a. National</b>			
1 <sup>st</sup>	13 pts	<u>6%</u>	_____
2 <sup>nd</sup>	12 pts		
3 <sup>rd</sup>	11 pts		
4 <sup>th</sup>	10 pts		
5 <sup>th</sup>	9 pts		
6 <sup>th</sup>	8 pts		
7 <sup>th</sup>	7 pts		
<b>b. Regional</b>		<u>3%</u>	_____
1 <sup>st</sup>	6 pts		
2 <sup>nd</sup>	5 pts		
3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 pts		
<b>c. Division</b>		<u>2%</u>	_____
1 <sup>st</sup>	3 pts		
2 <sup>nd</sup>	2 pts		
3 <sup>rd</sup>	1 pt		

MOVs:

Certificate/s of Recognition

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**4. LEADERSHIP RELATED TO JOURNALISM**

*(Highest position elected per level. Only organization/s recognized or organized by DepEd)*

Position	National	Regional	Division	Weight 13%	Earned Points
President	25	20	15		
Vice President	20	15	10		
Other positions	18	12	8		

MOVs:

Certificate of Recognition from the Schools Division Superintendent,

Regional Director, and NSPC Focal Person

Accomplishment Report

**5. EXTENSION SERVICES RELATED TO CAMPUS JOURNALISM:**

**Organizer/Facilitator**

		Weight 13%	Earned Points
National	10 pts		
Regional	7 pts		
Division	5 pts		

**Innovations and Advocacies Related to Campus Journalism**

**Implementation**

National	15 pts
Regional	12 pts
Division	10 pts
District	8 pts
School	6 pts

MOVs:

Copy of the Project Proposal/Concept Paper and Accomplishment Report for innovations and advocacies

Certificate of Accomplishment from the School Principal, Schools Division Superintendent, and Regional Director

**6. SPEAKERSHIP: Resource Speaker, Judge**

*(Only trainings or workshops recognized or organized by DepEd)*

		Weight 10%	Earned Points
National	10 pts		
Regional	7 pts		
Division	5 pts		



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MOVs:

Certificate/s of Recognition

Accomplishment Report

Travel Authority

Letter of Invitation to the RD, SDS, SH

**7. PUBLISHED BOOKS, MODULES, WORKBOOKS, LAS related to Journalism**

		Weight	Earned Points
National	10 pts	5%	_____
Regional	7 pts		
Division	5 pts		

MOVs:

Copy of the publication

Certificate of Acknowledgement / Recognition from Schools Division

Superintendent, Regional Director, National Focal Person

**8. ARTICLES PUBLISHED IN NEWSPAPERS/MAGAZINES/JOURNALS**

		Weight	Earned Points
National	5 pts	5%	_____
Regional	3 pts		
Division	1 pt		

MOVs:

Copy of the publication

Certificate of Acknowledgement / Recognition from the editor

**9. PANEL INTERVIEW 10 pts Earned Points \_\_\_\_\_**

1. Understanding of Journalism Principles and Ethics
2. Leadership/ Mentorship Potential
3. Experience and Engagement in Campus Journalism
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5. Communication Skills

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**Total Earned Points: \_\_\_\_\_**



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