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REGION III
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF BULACAN

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DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. 60, s. 2026

**2026 DIVISION FESTIVAL OF TALENTS (ELIMINATION ROUND) FOR
ALTERNATIVE LEARNING SYSTEM LEARNERS**

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendents
CID Chief
Education Program Supervisors
Public Schools District Supervisors
Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads
Education Program Specialists II
All Others Concerned

1. Pursuant to the Department of Education's commitment to deliver quality, relevant, inclusive, and responsive basic education as stipulated in Division Memorandum 21, s. 2026, the Schools Division Office of Bulacan, through the Curriculum Implementation Division, will conduct the 2026 Division Festival of Talents (Elimination Round) for Alternative Learning System Learners with the theme *"Radiating Excellence Through ALS: Honoring Our Journey of Skills, Talents, and Triumphs."* The activity will be held on **February 6, 2026**, at **Balagtas National Agricultural High School, Pulong Gubat, Balagtas Bulacan.**

2. The DFOT (Elimination Round), as a co-curricular activity, is a clear and proactive reinforcement of the teaching and learning process and reflects a significant association between what the learners learned in school and what they performed and produced during this activity. The conduct of DFOT is consistent with the Enhanced Curriculum education agenda: taking care of learners by promoting learner wellbeing, inclusive education programs, and ensuring that all learners, regardless of their background, have access to quality learning opportunities and services.

3. Participation in the 2026 DFOT (Elimination Round) is voluntary. It shall not, in any way, affect DepEd Order No. 9, s. 2005 titled Instituting Measures to Increase Engaged Time-on Task and Ensuring Compliance Therewith, as this activity's target learning standards and competencies are already embedded in teachers' actual classroom teaching and assessment process.



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4. The objectives of the DFOT are:
 - 4.1 provide opportunities for learners to showcase their talents and skills;
 - 4.2 ensure that the physical, social, emotional, intellectual, and spiritual personality of young children is developed; and
 - 4.3 apply 21st century skills honed by teachers in their daily activities.
5. The learner-participants in this competition must be currently enrolled in public and private schools of SDO Bulacan under the Alternative Learning System Program, teacher-coaches, and focal persons.
6. Division Memorandum 21, s. 2026, titled Division Festival of Talents, contains the details of the contest mechanics.
7. This Memorandum serves as the **Travel Authority** for all the participants.
8. Incidental expenses to be incurred by the coaches and learners shall be charged against local school funds, subject to the usual accounting and auditing procedures.
9. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.


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