



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
REGION III
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF BULACAN

February 16, 2026

DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. 86.s.2026

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF NOMINEES FOR THE REBISCO BEST IN PUBLIC SCHOOL
CANTEEN PRACTICES INTER-SCHOOL COMPETITION 2025-2026.**

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendents
CID/SGOD Chiefs
Division and District Supervisors
Heads, Public Elementary and Secondary Schools
School Health and Nutrition Personnel
All Others Concerned

1. In line with the partnership between the Department of Education - Regional Office and Republic Biscuit Corporation(REBISCO), this Office is pleased to announce the schools that will represent the Schools Division in the Rebisco Best in Public School Canteen Practices Inter-School Competition.
2. The following schools have been selected based on their exemplary implementation of healthy, safe, and sustainable canteen practices:

School Category	School	Principal
Mega/Large	San Miguel National High School (Grade 8 Canteen)	Marciano V. Cruz, Jr. (Principal IV)
Medium	Calumpit National High School	Rosalina DC. Amper, Ph.D (Principal IV)
Small	Turo Elementary School (Bocage District)	Crislyn G. Dela Cruz (Principal III)

3. The selected schools are expected to prepare all necessary documents, presentation and requirements in compliance with the competition guidelines.
4. School heads, canteen managers and the division school health and nutrition be enjoined to give their full support to ensure the successful participation of our representative in this activity.
5. All nominated schools shall submit letter of intent not later than February 19, 2026 to this email address maelyn.delossantos@deped.gov.ph.

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6. Enclosed to this Memorandum are the copy of RM 032.s 2026, and the criteria for the above mentioned search.

7. Immediate dissemination of this memorandum is desired.


CECILIA E. VALDERAMA, PhD, CESO VI

Schools Division Superintendent
Office of the Schools Division Superintendent





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Enclosure 1.



REGIONAL MEMORANDUM
No. 032, s. 2026

**SUBMISSION OF NOMINATIONS FOR THE REBISCO BEST IN PUBLIC SCHOOL
CAANTEEN PRACTICES INTER - SCHOOL COMPETITION SY 2025-2026**

To : Schools Division-Superintendents
Schools Governance Operation Division, Chiefs
School Health and Nutrition Unit
Division Nutrition Sensitive Program Coordinators
Public Elementary and Secondary Schools
All Others Concerned

1. In line with the partnership between the Republic Biscuit Corporation (REBISCO) and the Department of Education Regional Office III will conduct a competition on the Rebisco Best in Public School Canteen Practices Inter- School Competition SY 2025-2026 across the region.
2. This office respectfully requests the submission of nominations with the following details:
 - a. Three schools per Schools Division Office:
 - i. One Mega/Large School Canteen with a total learner population of 4000 and above
 - ii. One Medium School Canteen with a total learner population of 2000 to 4000
 - iii. One Small School Canteen with a total learner population of 2000 and below
 - b. Indicate whether the school canteen is school-managed or teachers' cooperative-managed
 - c. Submission of actual photos of the nominated school canteen (both indoor and outdoor views)
3. Submission of nominations must be completed on or before February 6, 2026, via the provided link <https://region3.deped.gov.ph/RebiscoBestInPublicSchoolCanteenPracticesInterSchoolCompetitionSY2025-2026>.
4. Enclosed is the Criteria for Audit for the Best School Canteen Nominees for reference.
5. For information and compliance.


RONNIE S. MALLARI, PhD, CESO III
Regional Director

Enc. As stated.

References: Letter from Director Corazon I. Flores, MD, MPH, CESO III

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

NUTRITION SENSITIVE
PROGRAM SEARCH

ESSD/health3
February 5, 2026



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Enclosure 2.



January 30, 2026

RONNIE S. MALLARI
Regional Director
DepEd Region III
City of San Fernando
Pampanga

Thru: Mr. Ginno Pacquing
PDO IV
Educational Services Division

Subject: Best in Public School Canteen Practices Inter-School Competition

Dear RD Ronnie,

Greetings of peace and goodwill.

This refers to our letter dated January 20, 2026, regarding the inter-school competition on the "Best in Public School Canteen Practices" across DepEd Region III.

In connection with this initiative, ~~may we respectfully request the list of nominated schools with the following details:~~

1. Three (3) schools per Schools Division Office, representing the twenty-one (21) SDOs, categorized as follows:
 - o Mega/Large – one (1) school canteen
 - o Mid-size – one (1) school canteen
 - o Small – one (1) school canteen

2. Indicate whether the school canteen is school-managed or Teachers' cooperative-managed

3. Submission of actual photos of the school canteen (both indoor and outdoor views)

Based on the expected number of nominated schools, we aim to commence Phase 1 of the audit, an announced audit, during the week of February 9, 2026. This phase will cover the sixty-three (63) schools included in the submitted list.

We are open to discussing the implementation details and working closely with your team to finalize the timelines.

Thank you for considering this partnership opportunity. We look forward to your favorable response.

Very truly yours,

Geng Domingo
Rebisco Adopt-A-School Program



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SCHOOL _____
 CATEGORY _____

BEST IN SCHOOL CANTEEN PRACTICES

DepEd Region III

Public School Canteen Food Safety & Quality Audit Checklist

CRITERIA	INDICATORS	SCORE
A. Licences/Permits/Certificate (Valid for the duration of the fiscal year, posted) (10%)		
a. Sanitary Permit from the Local Health Authority b. Health Certificates c. Attendance to Food Safety & Quality seminars/trainings	10 - if all are present and valid 8 - if all are present with 1 out-of-date 6 - if 3 are present and valid 4 - if 2 are present and valid 2 - if only 1 indicator is present and valid	
B. Adherence to Food Safety & Quality (30%)		
1. Provision of potable water supply (with Certificate of Water Potability)	10 - if water is available anytime 8 - if water is available on a scheduled basis 6 - if no water is available	
2. Adequacy of tools and equipment		
a. Chairs, serving tables, equipment b. Cooking facilities and kitchen tools c. Washing, drinking and sanitizing facilities d. Organized display cabinets e. Garbage receptacles covered and segregated f. Maintains clean and pest-free environment	10 - if all are observed 8 - if 4 indicators are observed 6 - if 3 indicators are observed 4 - if 2 indicators are observed 2 - if only 1 indicator is observed	
3. Area is free from dust and other contaminants		
a. Absence of insects b. Non-inhabited places c. Odor-free canteen premise d. No stray animal around the area	10 - if all are observed 8 - if 4 indicators are observed 6 - if 3 indicators are observed 4 - if 2 indicators are observed 2 - if only 1 indicator is observed	
4. Compliance to hygienic practices in food preparation, display and storage		
a. Use of food covers b. Proper labeling of containers with expiry dates c. Use of color-coded chopping boards for the meat, poultry, fish, vegetables and fruits d. Use color-coded knives for meat, poultry, fish, vegetables and fruits e. Availability of cold storage for raw ingredients f. Practices daily sterilization	10 - if all are observed 8 - if 4 indicators are observed 6 - if 3 indicators are observed 4 - if 2 indicators are observed 2 - if only 1 indicator is observed	



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CRITERIA	INDICATORS	SCORE
C. Canteen Personnel/ Staff (5%)		
Wearing of clean and proper attire with (PPE) (personal Protective Equipment) is observed	5 - if all indicators are observed 4 - if 4 indicators are observed 3 - if 3 indicators are observed 2 - if 2 indicators are observed 1 - if only 1 indicator is observed	
1. Apron 2. Hairnet 3. Appropriate footwear 4. Food-grade gloves 5. Plastic mask 6. Well-groomed		
D. Adherence to DepEd Order 13 s. 2017 (15%)		
1. Food Standards a. Established healthy menu to ensure compliant and nutritious food and drinks b. Sells only green and yellow categories in canteen (if evaluation falls on D/F) following the cut-off points c. No Red Category food is sold/observed d. Yellow Category is less prominent than Green in the canteen menu e. Use of iodized salt (RA 8172) in canteen's cooked foods f. Absence of artificially flavored foods	7 - if all indicators are observed 6 - if 5 indicators are observed 5 - if 4 indicators are observed 4 - if 3 indicators are observed 3 - if 2 indicators are observed 0 - if no indicators are observed	
2. Availability and accessibility of health and safe food and relevant items a. Availability of safe drinking water b. Condiments are served ONLY upon request c. No unhealthy foods and beverages are brought to school (e.g. absence of junk food wrappers in the school grounds)	7 - if all indicators are observed 6 - if 5 indicators are observed 5 - if 4 indicators are observed 4 - if 3 indicators are observed 3 - if 2 indicators are observed 0 - if no indicators are observed	
d. Conduct of school initiatives that promote the consumption of healthy foods e. Adherence to DO 10, 5, 2016 (with 6 indicators) - Availability of clean, safe drinking water - Presence of hand washing facilities - Availability of clean plates, glasses, and eating utensils - Observance of proper waste segregation - With conducive, well-ventilated, well-lit, and clean environment	7 - if all indicators are observed 6 - if 5 indicators are observed 5 - if 4 indicators are observed 4 - if 3 indicators are observed 3 - if 2 indicators are observed 0 - if no indicators are observed	
f. Presence of signage and nutrition messages		
E. Reports/Documents (5%)		
a. Record of daily inspection (foods from suppliers) b. Record of daily income c. Record of expenses and receipts/transactions	5 - if all items are seen and checked 4 - if 1-2 records are seen and checked 0 - if no records at all	
F. Sharing of Proceeds (rate only 1 category) (10%)		
School-Managed		
Utilizes the net income derived from the operations on - Supplementary feeding program (35%) - School Climate Fund (3%) - Faculty and student development fund (15%) - H.E. instructional fund (10%) - School Operations fund (25%) - Revolving capital (10%)	10 - if all indicators are observed 8 - if 5 indicators are observed 6 - if 4 indicators are observed 4 - if 3 indicators are observed 2 - if 2 indicators are observed 1 - if only 1 indicator is observed	



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F. Sharing of Proceeds (10%) Cooperative/Teacher-managed Observance of 80-20 percentage of sharing Utilizes the net income derived from the operation of: - Supplementary feeding program (35%) - School Canteen Fund (5%) - Faculty and student development fund (15%) - H.E. instructional fund (10%) - School Operations fund (25%) - Revolving capital (10%)	10 - if all indicators are observed 8 - if 5 indicators are observed 6 - if 4 indicators are observed 4 - if 3 indicators are observed 2 - if 2 indicators are observed 1 - if only 1 indicator is observed
G. Nutritional Status of Pupils (15%)	15 - if 100% of pupils fed are rehabilitated to normal nutritional status 12 - if 80% - 99% of pupils fed are rehabilitated to normal nutritional status 9 - if 60% - 79% of pupils fed are rehabilitated to normal nutritional status 6 - if 50% - 69% of pupils fed are rehabilitated to normal nutritional status 3 - if 40% and below of pupils fed are rehabilitated to normal nutritional status
H. Learning Support Services (10%) 1. Participation in Guinayang sa Paaralan Program 2. Advocacy on Healthy Lifestyle	10 - if both are conducted 5 - if only 1 is conducted 0 - if not conducted

Monitoring/Validation Team

Name: Bruce John Dato

Signature:

Acknowledged by

(Name & Signature of Canteen Manager)

Signature: