



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
Region XII

Schools Division Office of Tacurong City

June 30, 2026

DIVISION MEMORANDUM

SGOD No. 093 - 2026

**PARTICIPATION OF THE STUDENT – ATHLETES AND TEACHER – COACHES IN
NON-DEPED SPORTS ACTIVITIES / INVITATIONAL TOURNAMENTS**

To: **Cluster Heads**
Elementary and Secondary School Administrators
This Division

1. In line with the participation of the student – athletes and teacher – coaches in Non-DepEd sports activities / invitational tournament and to ensure that their participation shall not disrupt the delivery of quality instruction and the continuous learning of learners, this Office reiterates the following guidelines for strict compliance:

General Policy in cognizance of DepEd Order No. 009 series of 2026
(Guidelines on the Implementation of the Three – Term School Calendar in Basic
Education for School Year 2026 – 2027)

- Participation in an invitational tournaments, competitions and sports events organized by the Local Government Units (LGUs), private organizations, sports associations and other non DepEd entities shall be subject to the approval of the School Head and shall not adversely affect classroom instruction and learning continuity;
- The School Head shall ensure that the participation of learners and teachers will not result to unnecessary disruption of classes and that the school's instructional program shall continue efficiently.
- Teacher-coaches who will be absent from their classes due to official participation in approved tournaments shall:
 - prepare and submit lesson plans and learning activities prior to their absence;
 - coordinate with the School Head for the designation of a substitute teacher or appropriate class arrangement to ensure uninterrupted teaching and learning; and
 - accomplish all required reports and other official school responsibilities upon return.
- Student-athletes who will be absent from classes shall:
 - secure prior approval from the School Head;

-coordinate with their subject teachers regarding missed lessons, classroom activities, projects, performance tasks, quizzes, and examinations;

-complete all missed academic requirements within the period prescribed by their teachers or no exemptions to performance tasks outputs as required in the Budget of Work of the curriculum;

-remain academically responsible despite participation in sports competitions.


- School Heads shall evaluate every request based on the best interest of learners, the school's instructional requirements, and the availability of appropriate learning continuity measures.

- requests involving prolonged absence from classes may be disapproved when they significantly affect instructional time or when adequate learning continuity measures cannot be ensured.

2. Prior to the approval of the division leadership, requesting agency or institutions shall coordinate first with the respective school head and attach copies of substitution form for teacher-coaches prepared by the respective school head, and flexible learning program (FLP) modality option agreement signed by the student-athlete and class adviser/teachers and parental consent signed by the parent of the participating student-athlete.

3. All concerned are enjoined to strictly observe these guidelines to promote excellence in sports while safeguarding the uninterrupted delivery of quality education.

4. Immediate dissemination of and strict compliance with this Memorandum is desired.


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Enclosures: None
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To be indicated in the Perpetual Index
under the following subject/s:

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NON DEPED SPORTS COMPETITION

STUDENT - ATHLETES

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