



Republic of the Philippines  
**Department of Education**  
REGION VIII  
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF NORTHERN SAMAR

September 1, 2026

**DIVISION MEMORANDUM**

No. 358, s. 2026

**CENTER FOR DISASTER PREPAREDNESS (CDP) SCHOOL-BASED YOUTH  
CONVERGENCE 2026**

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent  
CID and SGOD Chiefs  
District Heads  
School Heads  
Teachers  
SSLG Officers  
All others concerned

1. With the ongoing partnership with this Office through the SGOD- Youth Formation Division and the Center for Disaster Preparedness (CDP), this Office announces the conduct of **"Likha ng Kabataan, Tatag ng Pamayanan: Youth Convergence 2026- Pagbabahagi ng Inobasyon para sa Pag-angkop sa Pagbabago ng Klima at Disaster Risk Reduction"** on September 7, 8, and 11, 2026, at its respective venue and participants.
2. For the specific venue, participants, and schedule, refer to the attachment provided by the CDP.
3. Under the existing policy relevant to Learner Rights and Protection, the advisers of the innovators shall ensure that the learners comply with the consent form attached herewith.
4. Travel expenses of those concerned shall be charged against the School MOOE/Local Funds, subject to the existing rules and regulations of DepEd Policies.
5. This issuance shall serve as Travel Authority for those concerned.
6. Immediate dissemination and compliance with this memorandum are desired.

DepEd Northern Samar

**RELEASED**

By: 

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Schools Division Superintendent

28 August 2026

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Schools Division Superintendent  
Schools Division Office of Northern Samar  
Department of Education

**THRU: ANDREW MONTEJO**  
Division Youth Formation Coordinator  
**MARK MANALO**  
Division Learner Rights and Protection

**Subject: Request for Approval and Issuance of a Division Memorandum for the Conduct of the School-Based Youth Convergence 2026**

Dear Dr. Aljibe:

Warm greetings from the Center for Disaster Preparedness Foundation, Inc. (CDPFI)!

The Center for Disaster Preparedness Foundation, Inc. (CDPFI), through the Disaster Risk Reduction through Youth Innovation, Empowerment, and Locally-Led Solutions (DRR YIELdS) Project, respectfully request the approval and support of the Schools Divisions Office of Northern Samar for the conduct of **"Likha ng Kabataan, Tatag ng Pamayanan: Youth Convergence 2026 – Pagbabahagi ng mga Inobasyon para sa Pag-angkop sa Pagbabago ng Klima at Disaster Risk Reduction,"** as well as the participation of the identified students and teachers from the partners schools in the municipalities of Bobon and Catubig.

This request is in accordance with the existing Memorandum of Understanding between CDPFI and Schools Division Office of Northern Samar, signed in 2025, in support of the implementation of the DRR YIELdS Project. The Youth Convergence serves as a platform for children and Youth to share their experiences, innovations and locally led solutions on disaster risk reduction and climate change adaptation, while promoting learning and collaboration among learners, teachers, schools, local government units, parents and other stakeholders.

The Youth Convergence is scheduled as follows with more or less 500 students participated by the following schools:

| Date              | Venue                                         | Participating Schools and Participants                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
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| September 7, 2026 | Municipal Auditorium, Catubig, Northern Samar | <b>Catubig Valley National High School-</b> 300 Students from Grade 7 to 12 with School faculty namely;<br><br>1. Mr. Garry Vacunawa, School Head<br>2. Ms. Jessa Joyce Mirasol, Science School Teacher                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|                   |                                               | <b>Catubig Central School-</b> 100 pupils from Grade 4 to 6 and 4 Advisers namely;<br><br>1. Dan Cathy B. Galit<br>2. Ronnel S. Robiano<br>3. Gina C. Lagarse<br>4. Jason A. Tarrayo                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|                   |                                               | <b>San Vicente National High School</b> - 20 students                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|                   |                                               | <b>Fair Gems Academy-</b> 20 Students<br><b>Hibubullao National High School-</b> 20 Students<br><b>San Francisco National High School-</b> 25 students                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| September 8, 2026 | Acereda Integrated School, Bobon              | <b>Acereda Integrated School</b> - 440 students from Grade 4 to 12, and ALS students, and school faculty members namely;<br><br>1. DR. JEPREY A. ANANO, School Head<br>2. RHEA D. ALO, Head Teacher<br>3. MARIA APRIL ROSETE<br>4. RAMONELLE T. PLATEJA<br>5. BRYAN G. TAGROS<br><br>6. SOFIA A. BALLOS<br>7. EDD CHRISTIAN A. DOLO<br>8. GRACE F. OLITAN<br>9. RHIAN P. GUBAT<br>10. SHEENA LEBIO<br>11. GESELLE PAJARES<br>12. NESSAN GALLO<br>13. JANINE M. POSO<br>14. JONECELLE B. MINDAJAO |
|                   |                                               | <b>Bobon School for Philippine Craftsmen</b><br>5 Youth Innovators and 5 School Teachers, School Head<br>1. Dr. John L Delorino, School Principal                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
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|                    |                                                         | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. Teodoro S Tobes, Innovator's Coordinator</li> <li>3. Pamela Q. Balatico MT1Filipino Department Head</li> <li>4. Elma M. Brillantes, SSLG SHS Adviser</li> <li>5. Febis G. Cardeño, SSLG JHS Adviser</li> <li>6. Fatima H. Araza, SHS Guidance Advocate</li> <li>7. Christian Morecho, Lead Innovator</li> <li>8. Samina Posada, Innovator</li> <li>9. Driza Barreda, Innovator</li> <li>10. Myralyn Batiles, Innovator</li> <li>11. Jude Loren Ylagan, Innovator</li> </ol> |
|                    | <b>Eladio T. Balite Memorial School of Fisheries</b>    | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Von Lenard Ochondra, Grade 12, Innovator</li> <li>2. Lovely Magno, Grade 12, Innovator</li> </ol>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| September 11, 2026 | <b>Sumoroy Hall, Provincial Capitol, Northern Samar</b> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10 Youth Innovators from Acereda Integrated School and 2 Teachers (Dr Jeprey A. Ano and Ms. Rhea D. Alo)</li> <li>5 Youth Innovators from BSPPC and School Head</li> <li>5 Youth Innovators from Catubig Valley National High School and School Head</li> </ol>                                                                                                                                                                                                                |

The proposed schedule has been coordinated to take place at the end of the academic block, with consideration for the school's academic activities and the learners availability. We respectfully request the SDO's approval and endorsement of the participation of the identified learners and teachers in these activities.

We would also like to respectfully invite representative from the Schools Division Office to attend and participate in both municipal Youth Convergence activities in Catubig and Bobon. The presence of the Division Office will be highly valuable in affirming the importance of the youth participation and recognizing the contributions of learners and schools in advancing disaster resilience and climate action.

Further, we would be honored to have you or a representative from the SDO participate in the **Provincial Youth Convergence on September 10, 2026**. This gathering will bring together youth innovators, schools local government representatives, and other stakeholders to share and celebrate the innovations and learning generated through the DRR YIELDS Project.

We sincerely hope for your favorable consideration and support. Should you require additional information, please contact **Margie Pelito, Area Coordinator at 0956-223-0008** or via email at [drriyields@cdp.org.ph](mailto:drriyields@cdp.org.ph). Our project team would be pleased to coordinate with your office at your convenience.



Thank you very much for your continued support and partnership.

Sincerely,

  
**ELNA KALUANG-ALIH**  
Project Manager  
DRR YIELDs Project, CDP Foundation



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**PARENT'S CONSENT AND WAIVER**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, parent/guardian of \_\_\_\_\_,  
hereby permit my child to participate in the \_\_\_\_\_ on  
\_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_.

I understand that:

- My child will be under the supervision of a designated school official throughout the event's undertakings;
- The school, through the designated official (coach, adviser, or chaperone), will take precautionary measures to ensure the safety and well-being of my child; and
- I release the school and the designated official from any liability in case of unforeseen incidents, provided that due diligence and care have been exercised.

I affirm that my child is mentally and physically fit to join the activity and will abide by the rules and regulations set by the organizers and/or program owners.

**CONSENT, WAIVER, INDEMNITY, AND RELEASE FOR SOCIAL MEDIA POSTING**

I, the parent/legal guardian of the learner stated above, hereby grant permission to the Department of Education and its representatives (school, and school personnel) to make recordings of my child's voice and to take photographs or videos of him/her to be used for the communications and various public campaigns of the agency in relation to the undertakings of the event mentioned above, be it in print, broadcast, and/or electronic media.

I acknowledge that the Department of Education (DepEd) owns all rights to these images and recordings. I further grant the DepEd and its representatives the right to use, display, exhibit, reproduce, distribute, and create derivative works of these materials in any social media/media now known or later developed.

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**LEARNER'S CONSENT, WAIVER, INDEMNITY, and RELEASE**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, represented by my parent/legal guardian who is competent to enter into this contract, have read and fully understand the contents, meaning and impact of this consent, waiver, indemnity and release stated above.

This consent, waiver, indemnity, and release is binding on me, my heirs, my executors, administrators, and assigns.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature over the printed name of the Learner

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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Signature over the printed name of parent/guardian

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Date

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Signature over the printed name of SCHOOL HEAD

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Date



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