

Department of Education

Region VI – Western Visayas SCHOOLS DIVISION OF CAPIZ

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DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. 615

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CELEBRATION OF THE NATIONAL CHILDREN'S MONTH AND NATIONAL STUDENTS' DAY 2025

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chief Education Supervisor (CES)/OIC- CES
Public Schools District Supervisors
Heads of Public and Private Secondary, Elementary and Integrated Schools
All Others Concerned

- 1. Attached is Regional Memorandum No. 1121, s. 2025 titled Celebration of The National Children's Month and National Students' Day 2025 with the theme, "OSAEC-CSAEM Wakasan: Kaligtasan at Karapatan ng Bawat Batang Magaaral, Ipaglaban!" dated November 11, 2025.
- 2. Anent this, the Schools Division of Capiz and its pursuit of a safe and supportive learning environment for all learners, through the Youth Formation Section will conduct a National Children's Month Division Kick-Off and Launching of Project CAPEACE as part of the celebration on November 24, 2025, 8:00 AM at Robinsons Place Roxas.
- 3. The participants of this activity are the Barkada Kontra Droga Teacher-Advisers and the Presidents or one (1) Learner-Representative of 54 Secondary and 26 Integrated Schools. All aforementioned attendees are hereby instructed to preregister on this link https://bit.ly/NCM2025_CAPEACE and Learner-Participants are required to submit their signed Parents' Consent enclosed to this Memorandum.
- 4. School Heads shall ensure that classes of the teacher-participants are handled by other teachers in schools in compliance with the No-Disruption of Classes Policy as stipulated in DepEd Order No. 9, s. 2005 (Instituting Measures to Increase Engaged Time-on-Task and Ensuring Compliance Therewith).
- 5. Schools are also encouraged to undertake this month of November the suggested activities contained in the attached memorandum. To show support on the campaign schools and offices in the Division are encouraged to wear blue-colored clothing every Friday.





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- 6. Further, schools are requested to submit a narrative report and photo documentation of their activities undertaken during the celebration of National Children's Month 2025 on the link provided on the attached memorandum.
- 7. Technical Working Groups of the said activity is attached in Enclosure 2 of this Memorandum.
- 8. Travel and other relative expenses of the participants are chargeable against School MOOE funds, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.
- 9. This Memorandum shall serve as the Authority to Travel of the participants.
- 10. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum are desired.

ROEL F. BERMEJO
Schools Division Superintendent

Encl.: As stated
Reference:
To be indicated in the Perpetual Index
under the following subjects:

SCHOOLS

CHILDREN'S MONTH





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PARENTAL CONSENT AND WAIVER FORM

(English Version)

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		Kaligtasan								
Ipaglaba	an!" dated N	ovember 11,	2025, 8:	00 A	M at	Robinso	ns P	lace F	loxas, I	Roxas
City, Ca	apiz.									

I understand that the Schools Division of Capiz through the Youth Formation Section shall implement the minimum public health standards and DRR safety set by the government to minimize the risk that might be encountered by the child in the activity, but it cannot guarantee my child's whole safety.

I understand that my child's in-person attendance in the event will include associating with teachers, fellow learners and school personnel, and other persons inside and outside of the school that may put my child at risk of communicable diseases notwithstanding the precautions undertaken by the implementing team.

Voluntary Participation

I acknowledge that my child's participation in this activity is completely voluntary. My child may decline to participate or withdraw from participation at any time for any reason. Declining or withdrawal of participation will not result in any penalty or loss of benefits or reduction of any basic right to which my child is entitled. While there remains the risk of possible transmission of communicable diseases and safety risk to my child/ren, and to the members of my household, I freely assume the said risk and I permit my child/ren to attend this activity.

Exclusion (Limitations/Ineligibility)

I confirm that my child is currently in good health. I will not allow my child to physically go to the event if my child develops symptoms of illness that may hinder him/her participates actively in the event. I will also inform the school/division and not allow my child to attend the event if my child is sick.

Documentation

I confirm that I give full permission in any recording or picture taken of my child during the conduct of this event and to use some or all of my child's images/contribution/ performance in any publication (including electronic publications such as film or website) created by or for the Schools Division of Capiz and to release this material to DepEd official platforms.

Confidentiality

I am aware that any information that will be given during the activity will be kept strictly confidential, and personal information will be treated in accordance with the Data Privacy Act of 2012. I am assured that the information about my child will not be shared outside of the implementation team. My child's name will not be used when data from this activity is analyzed.

I hereby confirm that I agree and understand the commitment of my child as a participant. I also understand and will support my child's endeavor to meet the

expectations, guidelines, and responsibilities to his/her fellow participants and to the Schools Division of Capiz.

To the extent allowed by law and rules, I hereby agree to waive, release, and discharge all claims, causes of action, damages, and rights against the school/division and its personnel as well as officials and personnel of the Schools Division of Capiz relative to the conduct of the activity.

With full understanding, I – on behalf of myself, my household members, and my child/ren – hereby freely and voluntarily give my consent to my child's participation in the activity on November 24, 2025. I also attest that I had sought the views of my child and he/she has expressed a willingness to participate in the activity.

CONTACT DETAILS FOR QUESTIONS OR PROBLEMS

For any concerns or clarification, you may contact the Youth Formation Section of Schools Division of Capiz through this mobile number 09451231621.

Signature of Parent/Guardian over Printed Name	Contact Details (Mobile Number)
Name of Children	Date

^{*} Please submit this form to your child's school prior to participation in the event.



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National Children's Month

November 24, 2025 / Robinsons Place Roxas

Technical Working Group/Committees Committee Members Tasks				
Members	Tasks			
Chair:	Icon/Logo			
Christopher A. Obispado	Unity Dance			
Members:	Radyo			
Elna Grace B. Aducal				
Hicel D. Francisco				
Kyne Joy L. Lacandazo				
Rojelyn Joyce P. Verde	×.			
Ma. Maybel B. Obispado				
Chair:	Pre-registration Link			
Leony S. Aguilar	Certificates			
Members:	(Participation/			
Shiela Marie O. Andama	Recognition/Appearance)			
Jo-an S. Horneja	Attendance Sheets			
Althea Jimenez (BKD Officer)				
John Kero Alloc (BKD Officer)				
Chair:				
Sweden Tumanon				
Members:				
Leo Marc Farillon				
Gelica B. Alaban				
Lloyd Cedric Bautista				
	Chair: Christopher A. Obispado Members: Elna Grace B. Aducal Hicel D. Francisco Kyne Joy L. Lacandazo Rojelyn Joyce P. Verde Ma. Maybel B. Obispado Chair: Leony S. Aguilar Members: Shiela Marie O. Andama Jo-an S. Horneja Althea Jimenez (BKD Officer) John Kero Alloc (BKD Officer) Chair: Sweden Tumanon Members: Leo Marc Farillon Gelica B. Alaban			





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	Regine Marie Javier	
Logistics/Physical	Chair:	Bella and Buddy
Arrangement/	Christian Philip Dumangon	Ceremonial Launching
Prizes/Stage	Members:	Commitment wall
	Christopher A. Obispado	Condenser Microphone for Rondalla
	Fermel Felix	
	Sweden Tumanon	
	Francis Gil	
	Brix Froilan Biclar	
	Prince Yvaughn Arvin Thayaparan	
	Raince Thoebe Dela Torre	
Food Committee	Chair:	
	Wenifredo Villaruz Jr.	
	Members:	
	April O. Gallardo	
	Wyeth Lester Bacorayo	
	Lorianna Conzuelo Bering	
	Nicole Dolfo	
Youth Formation Coordinators	Jhean Mae Grace Lingco & Yzarda Claudette D. Ballera	Overall in-charge of the activity





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NOV 11 2025

REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

CELEBRATION OF THE NATIONAL CHILDREN'S MONTH AND NATIONAL STUDENTS' DAY 2025

To: Schools Division Superintendents
All Others Concerned

- 1. Attached is Memorandum OM-OUGOPS-2025-11-06533, from **Hon. Malcolm S. Garma**, Undersecretary, Office of the Undersecretary for Governance and Operations, dated October 28, 2025 regarding the **Celebration of the National Children's Month and National Students' Day 2025**, which is self- explanatory.
- 2. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

CRISTITO A. ECO, CESO III
Assistant Regional Director
Officer-in-Charge
Office of the Regional Director

Incl: As Stated

Reference: DepEd Memorandum OM-OUGOPS-2025-11-06533

To be indicated in the <u>Perpetual Index</u> under the following subjects:

LEARNERS POLICY SCHOOLS

JRJ/ESSD-RM- NCM and NSD/ 225/November 3, 2025







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MEMORANDUM OM-OUGOPS-2025- 11 - 0633

TO

: REGIONAL DIRECTORS

FOCAL PERSONS FOR LEARNER RIGHTS AND PROTECTION

ALL OTHERS CONCERNED

FROM

MALCOLM S. GARMA

Undersecretary

Office of the Undersecretary for Governance and Operations

SUBJECT

: CELEBRATION OF THE NATIONAL CHILDREN'S MONTH AND

NATIONAL STUDENTS' DAY 2025

DATE

: October 28, 2025

The Department of Education (DepEd) joins the Council for Welfare of Children (CWC), the National Youth Commission (NYC), the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD), local government units, and private organizations including the civil society, private enterprises, and nongovernment, civic, and people's organizations, and the whole nation in celebrating the National Children's Month (NCM) and the National Students' Day (NSD) 2025 with the theme, "OSAEC-CSAEM Wakasan: Kaligtasan at Karapatan ng Bawat Batang Mag-aaral, Ipaglaban!"

This year, the celebration of both the NCM and NSD shall be led by the Bureau of Learner Support Services (BLSS), through its Learner Rights and Protection Division (LRPD) and Youth Formation Division (YFD).

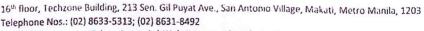
Background

The observance of the NCM is anchored in Republic Act (R.A.) No. 10661, which declared November as Buwan ng mga Bata. The celebration of the NCM is aligned with the Philippines' adoption of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC) on November 20, 1989, to promote children's rights. Section 4 thereof mandates DepEd to facilitate and encourage the commemoration of the NCM in all schools, public and private, nationwide.

In observance of the NSD, R.A. No. 11369 designates November 17 of each year as a day to celebrate and recognize the vital role of students in nation-building. This annual celebration seeks to encourage active civic engagement and empower future leaders and changemakers. The observance of the NSD is also aligned with the







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principles of the UNCRC, which uphold the importance of student voices and their contributions to society. Further, the celebration of the NSD supports the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, particularly Goal 4 on Quality Education, which promotes inclusive, equitable, and participatory learning environments.

For 2025, the NCM-NSD will focus on the roles of learners in reporting and preventing Online Sexual Abuse or Exploitation of Children and Child Sexual Abuse or Exploitation Materials (OSAEC-CSAEM). Under the UNCRC, every child has the right to be protected from all forms of sexual exploitation and abuse, harmful media, and violations of their privacy. In the digital age, these rights are increasingly challenged in new and complex ways.

The NCM also observes the **National Play Advocacy Week (NPAW)** every 3rd week of November. The NPAW is an annual week-long celebration dedicated to highlighting children's right to play and emphasizing its importance in their development and holistic well-being. Moreover, it is an initiative that encourages everyone to provide platforms where children can enjoy their right to play throughout the week.

Actionable Points

In this regard, all levels of DepEd governance, including schools and private basic education institutions, are encouraged to participate in the month-long celebration of the NCM. The same are encouraged to undertake programs and/or activities based on the recommended activities (see *Enclosure 1*) and may also initiate their activities within November.

As part of the culminating celebration of the NCM-NSD 2025, the BLSS, through the LRPD and YFD, will conduct an activity in Oriental Mindoro on **November 15-18**, **2025**. The concerned Regional Focal Persons of the LRPD are invited to participate in providing services and conducting simultaneous discussions with the learners.

Documentation of Accomplishments

Schools and field offices shall submit their official documentation and activity reports through the following links:

- a. NCM- https://tinyurl.com/NCM2025accomplishments
- b. NSD- https://tinyurl.com/NSD2025Activities

Funding

The Regional Offices shall use the Program Support Funds downloaded (direct release) by the BLSS-LRPD for the celebration of the NCM and NSD.

For inquiries, please contact the BLSS through email at blss.od/adeped.gov.ph.

For the consideration of the Regional Directors.









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ENCLOSURE 1

LIST OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE CELEBRATION OF THE NATIONAL CHILDREN'S MONTH AND NATIONAL STUDENTS' DAY 2025

A. General Activities

ACTIVITY	SCHEDULE	REMARKS
Display banners/posters in Office Buildings	November 2025	Use of public spaces (e.g., lobbies, bulletin boards)
Recitation of the "Panatang Makabata" (available in 38 Philippine native language translations and a Filipino Sign Language video interpretation)	November 2025	 Flag-raising ceremonies every Monday Every opening ceremony of any child-focused/NCM activities
Conduct activities or support national-level events	November 2025	Use the Program Support Funds from the Bureau of Learner Support Services-Learner Rights and Protection Division
Demonstrate solidarity by wearing the NCM #BlueKadaBiyernes Advocacy Shirt Campaign	All Fridays of November 2025	The bluekada is an initiative designed to foster positive peer influence among children and strengthen our collective advocacy for child rights. This program aims to transform the traditional concept of "barkadahan" (friendship group) into a force for positive change by encouraging collective action in promoting children's rights. The Central, regional, schools
		division offices, schools, and private basic education institutions are encouraged to wear blue clothing every Friday in November. Organizations participating in this initiative are requested to:







ACTIVITY	SCHEDULE		REMARKS
		1.	Capture a group photo wearing blue-colored clothing
		2.	Upload the photo to your organization's official Facebook Page
		3.	Tag or mention the Council for the Welfare of Children Facebook Page
		4.	Use the hashtag #BlueKadaBiyernes in your caption.

B. Recommended Activities (Thematic)

	SCHOOL AND EDUCATION SECTOR			
ACTIVITIES	DESCRIPTION			
Nationwide CyberSafety Caravan	This aims to teach children and school personnel regarding safety in digital spaces, recognizing red flags when accessing online applications or websites, the reporting mechanisms for probable incidents of OSAEC-CSAEM, and identifying online behaviors of possible perpetrators.			
	Schools, private organizations, and local government units may reach out to national government agencies, including law enforcement agencies, in organizing a CyberSafety Caravan.			
Training of Trainers on OSAEC-CSAEM Prevention	This aims to train adults to facilitate future activities relevant to OSAEC-CSAEM prevention and empower adult participants as champions in the school and within the community.			
TechTalk Seminar for Parents-Teachers Associations	The Seminar aims to help parents, guardians, and teachers build trust and create open communication with children in terms of their digital and social media use, and how to set healthy screen time and use of digital media.			
FOR THE NATIONAL PLAY ADVOCACY WEEK (3rd Week of November)				
Sabayang Pambatang Palarong Pinoy (PPP)	Play is essential to a child's overall healthy development and well-being. To champion children's right to play, the PPP or the "Pambatang Palarons Pinoy" aims to promote traditional Filipino games sports, or play activities at home or in any safe spaces			







	available within the school and community. Schools and barangays are enjoined in the simultaneous conduct of the PPP on November 17, 2025 in observance of the National Play Advocacy Week (NPAW) on the 3rd Week of November.
Interactive Learning Game Stations	This is designed as a series of interactive game stations where children can exercise their right to play while building awareness on how to protect themselves from OSAEC-CSAEM. This can be set up as an outdoor or an indoor game where children can go explore each booth dedicated to teaching them the dangers of emojis and internet slang or abbreviations, spot the danger in online interactions using puzzles or flashcards, and where to seek help.

FOR THE NATIONAL STUDENTS' DAY (November 17, 2025)

Suggested Simultaneous Activities on Monday, November 17, 2025

- Activities may be conducted at any day of the week or week-long, if applicable
- Offices and schools may organize other activities not listed below, as long as such are aligned with theme and purpose of the National Students' Day 2025.
- Offices and schools may also seek external stakeholders for partnerships that support the conduct of these activities.

Pledge of Commitment	Key officials and learner-leaders in respective schools may signify their commitment to uphold learner rights and responsibilities through: 1. Signing a commitment wall or banner displayed conspicuously in schools and offices; 2. Launching a local online campaign on learner rights and responsibilities; and 3. Other appropriate activities.		
Learner-led Forums and Dialogues	Learners, through the SSLG and SELG, may organize learning sessions in the school to tackle issues and trends on the following suggested areas: 1. Digital citizenship and online safety		
Online and In-Person Advocacy Campaign	4. Other appropriate themes and areas Learners, through their school clubs and organizations, may conduct advocacy campaigns		







	centering on issues and trends that concern learners in education, such as: 1. Prevention of OSAEC-CSAEM 2. Staying Safe Online 3. Anti-bullying and pro-social behavior 4. Anti-drugs and anti-vices 5. Other advocacies
Community Service Initiatives	Learners, teachers, and other personnel may conduct activities that directly benefit their immediate community, highlighting the contributions of learners and the youth in building and developing their communities.
Learner Innovation Fair	Learners, through their school clubs and organizations, may conduct a showcase of innovative products, ideas, and projects that benefit fellow learners, the school, and the community.

To access and download the 33rd National Children's Month materials/collaterals (e.g. banner/ tarpaulin design, social media cover photo template, shirt design, 38 Philippine native language translations of the *Panatang Makabata*), please visit the following:

a) Google Drive: tinyurl.com/25ncmcollaterals1

b) CWC Website: cwc.gov.ph

c) CWC Facebook Page: fb.com/CWCgovph

The Regional Offices may also consider the printing and distribution of advocacy materials on children's rights from I AM S.A.M. (Shaker and Mover) Foundation through this link: https://tinyurl.com/IAMSAMNCM2025.









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SUBJECT	:	REQUEST FOR CLEARANCE TO ISSUE THE MEMORANDUM FOR THE CELEBRATION OF THE NATIONAL CHILDREN'S MONTH AND NATIONAL STUDENTS' DAY 2025
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		oregoing, this Office respectfully requests the favorable consideration cretary and Chief of Staff.
		and/or concerns, your staff may contact this Office through email at tov.ph (cc: blss.od@deped.gov.ph).
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