



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
REGION X – NORTHERN MINDANAO
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF OZAMIZ CITY

November 30, 2023

DIVISIONAL MEMORANDUM

No. 353 s. 2023

**PREPARATIONS FOR THE 2024 OZAMIZ CITY ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION AND
NORTHERN MINDANAO REGIONAL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION MEETS**

TO: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chief Education Supervisors (SGOD and CID)
Education Program Supervisors
Public Schools District Supervisors
Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads
All Others Concerned

1. Pursuant to Republic Act No. 10588, also known as the Palarong Pambansa Act of 2013 and DepEd Memorandum 005, s. 2023 re: Conduct of the Palarong Pambansa, this Division, in coordination with the Local Government Unit of Ozamiz City, announces the timeline for the conduct of sports activities in preparation for the Ozamiz City Athletic Association (OzCAA) Meet and Northern Mindanao Regional Athletic Association Meet 2024.
2. This activity aims to :
 - a. Enhance the physical well-being of students by promoting regular physical activity through sports alongside music and arts education, fostering a balanced curriculum
 - b. Instill positive character traits such as sportsmanship, teamwork, and resilience through participation in sports.
 - c. Support students' social and emotional well-being by providing a positive and inclusive environment for sports participation.
 - d. Promote the correlation between regular physical activity and cognitive function, contributing to improved academic performance.
 - e. Identify athletic talents among students and prepare them for various sports competitions, from Inter-Sportsclub Competitions, Intramurals, Division meets, Regional meets, and up to the prestigious Palarong Pambansa.
3. Participation in Physical Education classes and School Sports Club activities is consistent with our Division's commitment to the Equal Opportunity Policy (EOP), as outlined in Divisional Memorandum No. 111-B, 2018. This policy underscores our obligation to create an inclusive environment by prohibiting discrimination based on age, gender, sexual orientation, civil status, disability, religion, or political affiliation.



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Meanwhile, participation in higher meets shall be based on performance or in qualifying standards set by the Palarong Pambansa Guidelines.

4. Furthermore, this activity aligns with the MATATAG Agenda's activities, which envisions implementing resilient reforms in the curriculum implementation, quality basic education services, maximum provision of education facilities, protection of learner well-being, and development of teacher support programs.

5. Ozamiz City sports activities timeline:

Activity/ies	Target Date	Venue	Persons Involved	Reference/ Reason for the Conduct of the Activity	Remarks
1. School-based Sports Clubbing for all learners and enjoying games	Whole year round	In School	Learners, MAPEH Teachers, MAPEH Head Teachers, School Heads	Philippine Constitution Art. XIV sec. 19 "Promote Physical Education and encourage sports program." UNESCO "Every human being has a fundamental right of access to physical education and sport, which are essential for the full development of his personality." World Health Organization Recommended Physical activities 60 minutes per day activity for Children and adolescents	All private and public schools must implement school sports clubs and activities.
2. School-based try-outs for public and private schools	November to December 2023	In School	Learners, Athletes, Coaches, Trainers, MAPEH/SPS Teachers	DepED Order No. 40, s. 2012 DepED Child Protection Policy DepEd Memo No. 035, s. 2023 re: Palarong Pambansa Guidelines on Sports	Done after classes or on weekends



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<p>3. School Intramurals for both public and private schools</p>	<p>November to December 2023</p>	<p>In School</p>	<p>Learners, Athletes, Coaches, Trainers, MAPEH/SPS Teachers, Spectators, PTA, School officials</p>	<p>Republic Act 10588, otherwise known as the Palarong Pambansa Act of 2013 DepEd Memo No. 035, s. 2023 re: Palarong Pambansa Guidelines on Sports</p>	<p>School Heads shall set game schedules, which must be conducted after classes or on weekends. Sports events shall be based on the school sports club offerings.</p>
<p>4. District Meets for public schools and Inter - schools events for private schools</p>	<p>December 2023 to January 2024</p>	<p>In any school identified as a playing venue within the school district area</p>	<p>Athletes, Coaches, Trainers, MAPEH/SPS Teachers, Spectators, PTA, LGU, Safety and Medical Personnel, School officials, SGOD, District Supervisors, DepEd Division Sports Focal Persons, ASDS, SDS,</p>	<p>Republic Act 10588, otherwise known as the Palarong Pambansa Act of 2013 DepEd Memo No. 035, s. 2023 re: Palarong Pambansa Guidelines on Sports</p>	<p>School Heads and District Supervisors shall set game schedules, which must be conducted during weekends at designated playing venues.</p>
<p>5. Ozamiz City Meet (Selection of Athletes for the NMRAA 2024)</p>	<p>February 16, 17, 18 2024</p>	<p>In any school identified as a playing venue within</p>	<p>Athletes, Coaches, Trainers, MAPEH/SPS Teachers, Spectators, PTA, LGU,</p>	<p>Republic Act 10588, otherwise known as the Palarong Pambansa Act of 2013 DepEd Memo No. 035, s. 2023 re: Palarong</p>	<p>Events to be played: Combative sports, Measurable Events, Racket</p>



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		the Ozamiz City Division	Safety and Medical Personnel, School officials, SGOD, CID, Tournament Managers and Officiating Officials, ASDS, SDS, City LGU Officials and EdCom	Pambansa Guidelines on Sports	Games, Individual Games, and Team Sports The Ozamiz City Athletic Association (OzCAA) shall manage the sports meet while funded and supported by the Ozamiz LGU through the Local School Board SEF.
6. Intensive Training of athletes for higher sports meets (NMRAA and Palarong Pambansa)	After class and Weekends of March to April 2024	In OCNHS Playground and other designated training venues within the Ozamiz City Division	NMRAA Qualified Athletes, Coaches, Trainers, LGU, Safety and Medical Personnel, SGOD, DepEd Division Sports Focal Persons, ASDS, SDS,	Republic Act 10588, otherwise known as the Palarong Pambansa Act of 2013 DepEd Memo No. 035, s. 2023 re: Palarong Pambansa Guidelines on Sports	All persons involved shall undergo ten days of Live-out training on the following Events: Combative sports, Measurable Events, Racket Games, Individual Games, Team Sports The training



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					shall be managed by the Ozamiz City Athletic Association (OzCAA) while funded and supported by the Ozamiz LGU through the Local School Board SEF.
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6. All sports activities are scheduled after regular school hours and on weekends to ensure minimal disruption to regular classes. Strict adherence to the no-disruption-of-classes policy shall be maintained.

7. Participating schools are mandated to comply with Health and Safety Protocols and the Child Protection Policy, obtain the necessary permits, and ensure the completion of Medical/Physical Fitness Forms and parental consent. This collective commitment will guarantee a safe and conducive environment for the athletes and spectators.

8. Cut-off Year for Athlete's Eligibility for SY 2024 City Meet, NMRAA and Palarong Pambansa:

- a. For an elementary athlete, the cut-off age/year is 13 years old or must have been born on or after January 1, 2011, and
- b. For a secondary athlete, the cut-off age is 18, or must have been born on or after January 1, 2006. Athletes born before said date shall be immediately disqualified from the Division, Regional, and Palarong Pambansa.

9. The following are the Athlete's and Coach's Eligibility forms:

- a. Athlete Record
- b. Certificate of Enrolment and Attendance Completion
- c. Commitment of Chaperon
- d. Dental Certificate
- e. Gallery of Athletes_FOR ELEMENTARY
- f. Gallery of Athletes_FOR SECONDARY
- g. Omnibus Affidavit



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- h. Parents Consent_revised-2
- i. Medical for Athletes 1
- j. Medical for Athletes 2
- k. Medical for Coaches Asst Coaches Chaperones-1
- l. SWORN STATEMENT OF ACTUAL CARE AND CUSTODY Revised
- m. PSA Certificate

10. Refer to DepEd Memorandum 005, s. 2023 re: Conduct of the Palarong Pambansa for comprehensive information about the eligibility criteria for athletes and coaches.

11. Immediate and wide dissemination of this memorandum is hereby enjoined.

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Encl.: As Stated

References: Republic Act No. 10588 re: An Act Institutionalizing the Conduct of the Palarong Pambansa and Appropriating Funds Therefor
DepEd Memorandum 005, s. 2023 re: Conduct of the Palarong Pambansa

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index
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