

Republic of the Philippines  
Department of Education  
REGION V - BICOL  
SCHOOLS DIVISION OFFICE OF CATANDUANES

DIVISION MEMORANDUM No. 226

OSDS- SGOD- 06-14-2023/ATB

**2023 PRIDE MONTH CELEBRATION**

**To:** Assistant Schools Division Superintendent

Chief Education Supervisors

Public Schools District Supervisors

Elementary and Secondary School Heads

Elementary and Secondary School Teachers

School and District GAD Coordinators

All Others Concerned

1. Pursuant to DepEd Order no. 32 s. 2017 otherwise known as the Gender Responsive Basic Education Policy and to uphold the Department of Education's Commitment to addressing gender-based barriers and the differences of discrimination as a result of being exposed to gender inequality suffered by vulnerable and marginalized groups and per Regional Memorandum no. 169 s. 2023, this office encouraged all schools, learning centers, and the SDO to support the 2023 PRIDE Moth celebration this month of June.

2. The celebration aims to:

a. involve all learners, teachers and non-teaching personnel, and other stakeholders, in the promotion of gender equality and non-discrimination through support services that should not only aim at eliminating gender stereotypes but also at transforming gender relations towards empowerment and social change;

b. strengthen structures, systems, and methodologies that promote coordination to address gender dimensions in planning, information exchange, design, and delivery services and;

c. ensure public and private partners are fully oriented to adopt gender-equality standards and procedures in program implementation and management.

4. In addition to this, all schools are encouraged to call for the organization of LGBTQIA + groups/associations (teachers and non-teaching personnel) in schools, districts, and in the SDO. Likewise, all schools and learning centers are encouraged to conduct simple yet meaningful activities in support of the said celebration. All school /district GAD coordinators are expected to lead the conduct of the celebration under the supervision of the school head.






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5. The following are the positions to be elected in schools/Districts/SDO
- President
  - Vice President
  - Secretary
  - Treasurer
  - Auditor
  - PIO
  - Bus. Mgrs.
    - 1.
    - 2.
6. In addition, there will be a virtual meeting with all the school and district GAD coordinators on **June 16, 2023, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00** noon to give insights or technical assistance/ inputs in connection with the celebration and other PAPs in GAD.
7. Expenses to be incurred in this activity shall be charged against local funds/ GAD budget subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.
8. For information, guidance, and compliance of all concerned.

By the authority of the SDS:

  
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Officer-in-Charge

