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REGION V - BICOL

SCHOOLS DIVISION OFFICE OF CATANDUANES

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TO : Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chief Education Supervisor (CID & SGOD)
Public Schools District Supervisors
Secondary School Heads
All Concerned Officials & Personnel

FROM : 
SOCORRO V. DELA ROSA
Schools Division Superintendent

SUBJECT : **2023 NATIONAL GEOGRAPHY CHALLENGE (NGC)**

DATE : April 18, 2023

1. The Junior Philippine Geographical Society – UP Diliman announces the 2023 National Geography Challenge with the theme **“Peripheries: Ways of Seeing and Saying”** to be held on May 13, 2023 online.

2. The 2023 National Geography Challenge is composed of one competitive event: The **Poster Map Contest**.

3. Participants are high school students from **Grades 9 to 12** from public and private schools all over the Philippines.

2. Enclosed is the Letter from the Junior Philippine Geographical Society UP Diliman for your reference.

3. For information and dissemination



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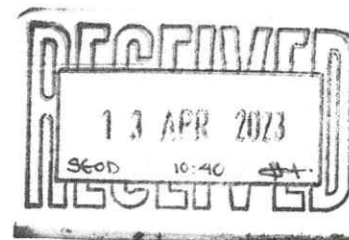
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April 5, 2023

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Schools Division Superintendent
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Greetings!

In the month of May, Junior Philippine Geographical Society - University of the Philippines Diliman (JPGS-UPD) will be launching the National Geography Challenge 2023, an annual event seeking to promote geography as a distinct discipline among the youth. Our theme **Peripheries: Ways of Seeing and Saying** revolves around the importance of mapping as a way to perceive the world; in a way it is like a story that reflects both a mapmaker's way of saying their worldview, and the map reader's way of seeing the world. We chose to highlight the peripheries, the often overlooked in Philippine society, and the everyday realities amidst the constraints of traditional mapping.

We are an academic and sociocultural organization dedicated to promote the distinct disciplines of Geography amongst Filipino youth, to reveal the importance of Geography in the society, to enhance geographical knowledge, and to encourage students to specialize in any domain in Geography.

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One of our major events, the National Geography Challenge (NGC) is a multifaceted nationwide geography competition designed for high school students in the Philippines to inspire the youth to specialize in any domain of geography. As the NGC returns after a 3-year hiatus, we seek to promote the relevance of geography in raising the voice of the peripheries and instill this to the youth.

The event proper will be held on May 13, 2023 through Zoom.

On behalf of this year's organizing body, we would like to request your good office to support and recommend this annual event as you have done in our previous years. We humbly request for a Regional DepEd Advisory for a formal and official announcement of our activity to the schools within your region. Rest assured that we will continue to uphold the successful organizing and hosting of this educational event as we have done so for the past 11 years.

Attached herewith is our primer containing information about our organization and an overview of the NGC. Should you wish to further discuss this, please contact us through jpgs.ngc@gmail.com and/or through Lawrence Galzote at +63 968 363 5219. We hope to hear from you as soon as possible, and we are looking forward to working with you on this endeavor!

Best Regards,

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DEPED ADVISORY FOR THE 2023 NATIONAL GEOGRAPHY CHALLENGE

MEMORANDUM

No. _____s, 2023

SUBJECT: 2023 NATIONAL GEOGRAPHY CHALLENGE (NGC)

**TO: Schools Divisions Superintendents
Heads, Public and Private Secondary Schools
All Others Concerned**

1. The **Junior Philippine Geographical Society - UP Diliman** announces the **2023 National Geography Challenge** with the theme "**Peripheries: Ways of Seeing and Saying**" to be held on **May 13, 2023 online**.
2. The Junior Philippine Geographical Society – UP Diliman (JPGS–UPD) is a non-profit, academic, and socio-civic organization dedicated to Geography enthusiasts of the University of the Philippines, Diliman. It is united in its desire to promote the distinct discipline of Geography amongst the Filipino youth, to reveal the importance of Geography in the society, to enhance geographical knowledge of the Filipino people, and to encourage students to specialize in any domain of Geography.
3. The 2023 National Geography Challenge aims to:
 - To promote the distinct discipline of geography amongst Filipino youth;
 - To develop geographic literacy and social awareness through mapping;
 - To exhibit how mapping can instill a narrative; and
 - To encourage participation amongst high school students.



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4. The 2023 National Geography Challenge is composed of one competitive event: the **Poster Map Contest**.
5. Participants of the 2023 National Geography Challenge are high school students from **Grades 9 to 12 from public and private schools** all over the Philippines.
6. Interested participants must submit their entries for the Poster Map contest at [\[insert link\]](#). On May 13, 2023, awarding of the winners and a career talk will take place through Zoom and **no in-person event will be conducted in UP Diliman**. Announcements and inquiries may be sent through email at jpgs.ngc@gmail.com or through Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/geogcha/>.
7. Participation of both public and private schools shall be subject to the *no-disruption-of-classes policy* stipulated in DepEd Order No. 9, s. 2005 entitled *Instituting Measures to Increase Engaged Time-on-Task and Ensuring Compliance Therewith*.
8. Immediate and nationwide dissemination of this memorandum is earnestly desired in pursuant to RA 11032 otherwise known as the "Ease of Doing Business and Efficient Government Service Delivery Act of 2018."

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