



August 26, 2025

DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. 442, s. 2025

**SEARCH FOR THE 2025 MOST OUTSTANDING BATANG DIPAG CAMPUS
AMBASSADORS: P-POP IDOL DANCE GROUP**

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chief Education Supervisors
Division Learner Formation Coordinators
Public Schools District Supervisors
Senior Education Program Specialist – SMME
Public and Private Secondary School Principals
Public and Private SSLG Advisers
This Division

1. For the second time, the Division Learner Formation Unit (DLFU) is inviting Batang Dipag talents to participate in the **Search for the Most Outstanding Batang Dipag Campus Ambassadors: P-Pop Idol Dance Group**. This Search was conceptualized in response to the dynamic and evolving interests of Filipino learners and aims to instill in them the DepEd Core Value of *Makabansa*. It seeks to foster appreciation for the artistry of Filipino talent by promoting Original Pinoy Music (OPM) through the sub-genre of Pinoy Pop, or P-Pop.

2. The Search also serves as a celebration of youth identity, national pride, and artistic excellence, carried out under the PRAISE for Learners initiative, as anchored in Division Memorandum No. 307, s. 2024. Spearheaded by the DLFU of DepEd Dipolog, it aims to spotlight student-performers who exemplify discipline, teamwork, patriotism, and creative self-expression.

3. The Search will follow a **multi-phase process, including the submission of dance performance videos and a dance culture advocacy campaign video, culminating in a face-to-face final stage performance in March 2026 during the 2nd Orchid Ablaze Awards**, a recognition platform not only for emerging Batang Dipag student leaders but also for athletes, journalists, and artists.

4. For this year, the Search is open to both public and private high schools under the jurisdiction of the Department of Education – Schools Division Office of Dipolog City. Each group shall consist of a **minimum of four (4) and a maximum of seven (7) members**, and **must be co-ed** (comprising male, female, and non-binary participants) in accordance with DepEd's *Gender-Responsive Basic Education Policy*, which promotes equal opportunities for students of all sexes and genders. Participation is limited to learners from Grades 7 to 11. **Refer to the attached guidelines for complete details on eligibility requirements, competition phases, criteria, scoring system, awards, and recognition.**



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5. For schools interested in joining, the School Principal shall designate an Official Dance Coach, preferably a Physical Education teacher or the MAPEH Department Head, though this is not mandatory. A non-teaching personnel may also be designated. The principal must clearly define the coach's roles and responsibilities in a Designation Order for this project (refer to the attached guidelines, page 5).

6. As stated in DepEd's Workload Toolkit, the teacher must voluntarily agree to the assignment; no teacher shall be designated without their explicit consent. Once the teacher accepts, the principal shall prepare a formal Designation Order stating:

- Scope of work
- Specific responsibilities
- Duration of the assignment (September 2025 to March 2026, or until the group's participation in the Search concludes, whether by completion or withdrawal)

7. All Designation Orders shall take effect only upon approval of the Schools Division Superintendent (SDS). For this purpose, principals shall forward the signed orders to the Division Learner Formation Coordinator (DLFC), who will facilitate the approval with the Office of the SDS.

8. At the school level, expenses related to this Search may be charged to the School Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses (MOOE) for transportation; PTA-VSC for Youth Organizations/Clubs or other available funds for food and project implementation. All disbursements shall be subject to existing accounting and auditing rules and regulations. For the organizing unit, expenses shall be charged to the Program Support Fund of the Youth Formation Division or other available funds.

9. For further clarifications or inquiries regarding this issuance, all concerned parties may contact the Division Learner Formation Coordinators (DLFCs). **Interested schools are likewise required to coordinate with the DLFCs to reserve a slot for the upcoming Orientation Meeting for this Search.** Contact details:

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10. Immediate dissemination of and strict compliance with this Memorandum is directed.


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