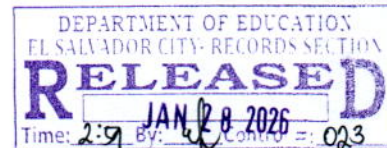




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 SCHOOLS DIVISION OF EL SALVADOR CITY



January 27, 2026

DIVISION MEMORANDUM  
 NO. 023, s. 2026

2026 NORTHERN MINDANAO REGIONAL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION (NMRAA)  
 MEET (PALARONG PAMPOOK)

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent  
 Chief Education Supervisors  
 Education Program Supervisors  
 All Public and Private Elementary School Heads  
 All Public and Private Secondary School Heads  
 All Others Concerned


1. Following Regional Memorandum No. 046, s. 2026, titled **2026 Northern Mindanao Regional Athletic Association (NMRAA) Meet (Palarong Pampook)**, this office, through the School Governance and Operations Division (SGOD), informs the field that the event will be hosted by the Provincial Government of Bukidnon on March 18-24, 2026.
2. This activity aims to provide a unified, inclusive, and competitive regional sports platform that identifies and develops athletically gifted learners, promotes physical fitness and sportsmanship, and strengthens inter-agency collaboration in preparation for higher-level athletic competitions.
3. The 2026 NMRAA Meet shall adopt the provisions set in the Implementing Guidelines on the Modified Competition Format for the 2025 Palarong Pambansa as enclosed in **DepEd Memorandum No. 041, s. 2025** titled **Conduct of the 2025 Palarong Pambansa**.
4. Further, the 2026 NMRAA Meet shall continue to adopt the modified Winner-Take-All policy for all team sports (Basketball, Baseball, Softball, Football, Futsal, Sepak Takraw, and Volleyball).
5. The Qualifying Standards shall still be implemented in the 2026 Palarong Pambansa, but for the 2026 NMRAA Meet, the Division Athletic Associations are still encouraged to send the best athlete-representatives for the measurable sports such as Athletics, Swimming, and Archery to give the winner-athletes opportunities to prove their competence at the regional level.
6. The detailed information on the final list of participants, the schedule of medical/dental check-up and screening of documents, and other provisions for the 2026 NMRAA Meet will be released in a separate issuance.



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7. This office shall adhere to the Equal Opportunity Principle (EOP) in the steps undertaken for this purpose. Hence, all decisions and actions shall be based on guidelines set forth, with no discrimination on the account of age, gender, identity, sexual orientation, civil status, disability, religion, ethnicity, or political affiliation.
  
8. Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is hereby directed.

  
**RANDOLPH B. TORTOLA**  
Schools Division Superintendent

ATCH.: As stated  
Reference: Regional Memorandum No. 046, s. 2026  
To be indicated in the Perpetual Index  
under the following subjects:

SPORTS

RE: 2026 NORTHERN MINDANAO REGIONAL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION (NMRAA) MEET  
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