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PARTICIPATION IN THE PHILIPPINE BOOK FESTIVAL 2025

To: Chief Education Supervisors
Education Program Supervisors
Public Schools District Supervisors
Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads
All Others Concerned

- 1. Attached herewith is the Regional Memorandum No. 104 s. 2025 Re: **Participation in the Philippine Book Festival 2025**.
- 2. For information, guidance and widest dissemination.

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Regional Memorandum No. 164 s. 2025

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To Schools Division Superintendents

- 1. In reference to the Joint Memorandum titled Invitation to Attend and Participate in The Philippine Book Festival, the National Book Development Board (NBDB), in collaboration with the Department of Education (DepEd), will conduct the 3rd Philippine Book Festival (PBF), the largest marketplace for Filipino books and a prime venue for learning and educational entertainment from March 13 to 16, 2025, at the Megatrade Halls, SM Megamall, Ortigas Center, Mandaluyong City.
- 2. The 2025 PBF will feature a Filipino festival theme, celebrating literature, culture, and creativity. This event highlights books as bridges to culture and showcases the beauty of Philippine traditions and heritage through stories and art.
- 3. The 4-day FREE event will feature the following four realms offering a variety of quality books for attendees to relish and benefit from:
 - a. Aral Aklat dedicated to academic books;
 - b. Booktopia showcasing fiction and nonfiction trade books;
 - c. Kidlit focused on children's books; and
 - d. Comics highlighting comics and graphic novels
- 4. In view of this, the DepEd Region IV-A CALABARZON encourages the active participation of DepEd personnel, teachers, learners, parents, and stakeholders in the said event. Schools Division Offices (SDOs) are requested to facilitate the following:
 - a. Issue a Division Memorandum encouraging interested DepEd and private school personnel, learners, and parents to join the book festival, especially on weekends or non-class hours to avoid disruption of classes;
 - Support the Learning Resource (LR) personnel in the identification and selection of storybooks, big books, and other literary and reference materials for School Libraries and Library Hubs;



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- c. Allow public and private schools to organize educational tours during the PBF, subject to the standard rules and regulations on educational trips; and
- d. Permit selected Division, and School personnel (teaching and non-teaching) to attend the PBF on official business, ensuring compliance with applicable provisions on overload/Compensatory Time-Off (CTO) when necessary.
- 5. In case the Schools Division Office (SDO), or schools decide to organize their respective delegation to attend the PBF 2025, expenses incurred relative to the participation of the identified DepEd personnel in this event may be charged against available local funds, subject to usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.
- 6. Please note that those who shall join the PBF 2025 as part of the delegations of the ROs, SDOs, and schools must be different from the identified participants of the National Market Scoping for Supplementary Learning Resources (SLRs) for School Libraries and Library Hubs, issued as a separate DepEd Memorandum.
- For clarification and further inquiries, please contact the Curriculum and Learning Management Division- Learning Resource Management Section at (02) 8681-2114 local 420.
- 8. Immediate and widest dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

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