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SCHOOLS DIVISION OFFICE - DIGOS CITY

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**Office of the Schools Division Superintendent**

**DIVISION MEMORANDUM**

SGOD-2026- 001

To : **Noba J. Rubion**, Principal II- Digos City NHS

Attention: **Melvin Anthony A. Sabio**  
Master Teacher III

**Johannes P. Sabio**  
Master Teacher III

Subject : **INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE SINULOG MARCHING  
BAND COMPETITION**

Date : January 6, 2026

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This has reference to the attached basic communication from Elmer C. Labella, Executive Director of the Sinulog Foundation, Inc., inviting the Digos City National High School Marching Band to participate in the **Sinulog Marching Band Competition** on **January 10, 2026**.

As stipulated in page 4 of DepEd Order No. 66, s. 2017, *external stakeholders may involve schools in their activities and programs, which are off-campus in nature. The planned off-campus activity shall be thoroughly discussed with school management before seeking approval from concerned authorities. This shall follow strictly procedures in this policy.*

Anent to this, this Office interposes no objection to the invitation of Sinulog Foundation, Inc. provided the following conditions are met:

1. Students' participation in the said activity shall be voluntary and subject to compliance with the non-disruption of classes policy as stipulated in DepEd Order No. 9, s. 2005, titled Instituting Measures to Increase Time-on-Task and Ensuring Compliance Therewith.
2. All learners involved shall submit parent's consent prior to the said activity and protocol on ensuring the safety of all involved, especially of the learners, is in place.
3. The teacher-chaperons shall adhere to the policy on "No Disruption of Classes" as per DepEd Order No. 9, s. 2005. The school head is expected to make necessary arrangements ensuring that classes handled by concerned teachers will be taken care of by another teacher.



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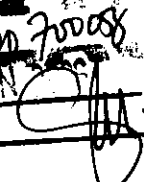
4. The school head shall also be guided with DepEd Order No. 66, s. 2017, re: Implementing Guidelines on the Conduct of Off-Campus Activities.

The attendance of Mr. **Melvin Anthony A. Sabio**, Master Teacher III- Digos City National High School Marching Band Coordinator and **Mrs. Johannes P. Sabio, MT III** in the said activity is on **Official Time only**.

Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

  
**MELANIE P. ESTACIO, PhD, CESO VI**  
Schools Division Superintendent 

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**DR. MELANIE P. ESTACIO, CESO VI**  
Schools Division Superintendent  
Digos City

THROUGH: Melvin Anthony A. Sabio  
Digos City NHS Marching Band Conductor

Dear Dr. Estacio:

Greetings!

The Sinulog Foundation Inc. (SFI), in cooperation with the Cultural and Historical Affairs Office of Cebu City (CHAO), will hold the Sinulog Marching Band Competition on January 10, 2026, at 1:00 PM. We are inviting at least ten (10) marching bands from across the country to participate, and we would be honored to have the Lapu-Lapu City Marching Band join us.

As a valued partner, we believe your participation will bring added color and excitement to the competition. The top three winning bands will receive P300,000.00, P200,000.00, and P100,000.00, with a subsidy of P15,000.00 provided to each of the 10 contingents.

We formally invite the Digos City NHS Marching Band to participate in the competition during the Sinulog sa Kabataan sa Dakbayan on January 10, 2026.

Should you decide to participate, kindly contact Mr. Orland James Romarate, of CHAO, at 0961-742-1850.

We look forward to your participation and an outstanding performance.

Viva, Pit Senyor!

Respectfully,

**ELMER C. LABELLA**  
Executive Director