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**Department of Education**  
REGION VII – CENTRAL VISAYAS  
Schools Division of Negros Oriental

Office of the Schools Division  
Superintendent

07 Mar 2024

Division Memorandum  
No. 0203 s. 2024

**HUGAS LUWAS DANCE CONTEST**

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent  
Chief, CID and SGOD  
Education Program Supervisors  
Senior Education Program Specialists/Education Program Specialists  
Public Schools District Supervisor/District-in-Charge  
Public Secondary School Heads  
All Others Concerned

1. This Office through the School Health Section informs all District Offices and secondary schools offering Senior High School of this Division about the “Hugas Luwas Dance Contest” which will be conducted on March 23, 2024 at the Negros Oriental Convention Center.
2. All Public Schools District Supervisors/District-In-Charge/Care Taker are hereby directed to appoint one school to be their official representative of the dance contest.
3. All official participants are hereby informed to submit a video of their dance for the Elimination Round on or before **March 15, 2024 at 11:59 PM** using this link, <https://bit.ly/3v2MSCH>.
4. For the details of this activity, kindly refer to the attached Guidelines.
5. Announcement of the Finalists shall be communicated through a Division Memorandum on March 18, 2024.



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6. The meals, travelling and incidental expenses shall be charged against the School MOOE fund, Local Funds or Special Education Fund (SEF), subject to the usual government accounting and auditing rules and regulations.
7. Widest dissemination of and strict compliance to this Memorandum are desired.

  
**NERI C. OJASTRO EdD, CESO V**  
Schools Division Superintendent

3/6/24

  
NCO/EQA-RBV/SGOD/RAI/KI/BC/RCE/Linesquedra  
March 6, 2024



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**General Guidelines and Mechanics for the Hugas Luwas Dance Contest: “Raising Awareness on water and sanitation for World Water Day 2024”**

March 23, 2024 | Negros Oriental Convention Center

**Objectives**

- Engage students and the wider community in raising awareness about the importance of water and sanitation on the Water World Day 2024;
- Convey key messages about water conservation, hygiene practices, and the global water crisis through the program and the dance presentations;
- Promote collaboration among schools, students, and communities in addressing water and sanitation challenges;
- Strengthen the implementation of the WINS programs through innovative strategies and approaches;
- Amplify the significance of handwashing in mitigating the transmission of diseases like COVID, hand, foot and mouth disease (HFMD), etc.;
- Forge partnership with non-government organizations and government organizations in championing the causes of the WINS programs
- Support Metro Dumaguete Water’s Hugas Luwas advocacy by integrating the proper handwashing routines in the program design and dance choreography;

**Qualifications**

1. The Hugas Luwas Dance Contest is open to all Senior High School students in the Schools Division Offices of Negros Oriental and Dumaguete City.
2. Each competing team shall compose of at least 8 to 15 members. All contestants must be bona fide students of the school being represented.
3. The school head of the school shall designate a chaperone for the team to oversee the rehearsals and the final competition which will be held in Dumaguete City.
4. The participating school shall submit the list of official delegates for the contest using the official form, please see attached. The parent’s consent of the participants shall also be enclosed.
5. The participating school shall determine an official name of their contingent.
6. The official list must be submitted to this office, Attn.: Mr. Felix III D. Mosqueda, Nurse-In-Charge, School Health Section.



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7. Further, all participants must fill out the online registration form, <https://forms.gle/wVQgAk9HnN3ttM5q8> on or before March 15, 2024.

### Contest Mechanics and Rules

1. **The Hugas Luwas Dance Contest is conducted in celebration of the World Water Day on March 23, 2024.**
2. The performance of the contestant must include the theme of this year's celebration, "Raising Awareness on water and sanitation for World Water Day 2024".
3. The dance contest encompasses freestyle dancing, allowing for a variety of styles including modern, folk, interpretative, contemporary, hip-hop, or a fusion of these genres.
4. Each contingent must perform their routine within a time frame of 4 to 6 minutes, including both the introduction and exit. **One (1) minute**, specifically, should be allocated for the 'Hugas Luwas Jingle' dance routine. Participating contingents shall have the freedom to showcase the 'Hugas Luwas' routine at any point during their performance.
5. The 'Hugas Luwas Jingle' dance routine video can be accessed using the following link, <https://bit.ly/3qz4EYI> and <https://bit.ly/3BAIfV3>.
6. A one-point deduction shall be imposed for every 10-second excess time.
7. The contest shall be in two rounds: **Elimination Round and Final Round.**

### Elimination Round

1. The **Elimination Round** shall be done 2 weeks before the Final Round.
2. Each participating contingent shall submit their filmed performance using this link, <https://bit.ly/3v2MSCH>. **The deadline shall be on March 15, 2024 at 11:59 PM.** Entries sent beyond the deadline are deemed disqualified.
3. The uploaded video must have the file name: Name of School\_Name of the Contingent, example:

*PhilippineNationalHighSchool\_TheEagles*



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4. The following criteria shall be used:
  - a. Message and Mastery of the Dance - 30%
  - b. Choreography - 30%
  - c. Technique - 30%
  - d. Group Execution - 10%
5. The top 10 participants with the highest scores in this round will be announced as the FINALISTS through a Division Memorandum and formal letter on March 18, 2024. Furthermore, their videos will be featured on the official Facebook Page of Metro Dumaguete Water for promotional and awareness purposes from March 18 to March 22, 2024. The contingent that garners the highest number of views will be honored with the title of **“Most Popular”**.
6. The Top 10 shall proceed in the Final Round on March 23, 2024 at the Negros Oriental Convention Center, Dumaguete City.

#### **Final Round**

1. The Final Round shall take place on March 23, 2024 from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM at the Negros Oriental Convention Center, Dumaguete City. **A virtual meeting shall be conducted on March 20, 2024 via MS teams.** The link shall be sent separately.
2. The order of the presentation shall be determined during the virtual meeting as well.
3. A technical rehearsal shall be conducted from 8:00 AM to 12:00 noon of March 23, 2024 at the Negros Oriental Convention Center, Dumaguete City. All contingents must be present, failure to attend the technical rehearsal may be a ground for disqualification.
4. All finalists must be at the venue an hour before the contest.
5. The contingent may use the LED wall for an added effect on their performance.
6. ONLY hand-held props are allowed. Props that may hinder the overall performance of the contingent is not allowed. Use of fireworks or anything that is flammable are strictly discouraged. Contingents that will violate this rule will automatically be disqualified.
7. Contingents have the option to wear costumes, but they must adhere to decency and appropriateness according to the chosen theme. Attire such as tangas, micro-mini skirts, or excessive skin exposure are not permitted.



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8. No vulgarity, obscenity, and explicit content shall be used. Any violation of this rule shall be a ground for disqualification.
9. During the final round, the finalists may change their routine for as long as they meet the aforementioned requirements.
10. The official music which will be used by each contingent, in MP3 format, shall be sent to the organizers on March 20, 2024 using this email, [felixiii.mosqueda@deped.gov.ph](mailto:felixiii.mosqueda@deped.gov.ph). Change of music may be permitted, however, this must be communicated to the organizer at least 3 days before the competition.
11. The contestants will be adjudged using the following criteria:
- |                                 |   |      |
|---------------------------------|---|------|
| a. Message and Mastery          | - | 30%  |
| b. Originality and Choreography | - | 20%  |
| c. Technique                    | - | 20%  |
| d. Teamwork                     | - | 20%  |
| e. Audience Impact              | - | 10%  |
| Total                           | - | 100% |
12. Prizes
- |                           |   |                        |
|---------------------------|---|------------------------|
| Champion                  | - | PhP 12,000.00 + Trophy |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Runner-Up | - | PhP 8,000.00 + Trophy  |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Runner-Up | - | PhP 5,000.00 + Trophy  |
| Consolation               | - | PhP 1,000.00 + Medals  |
13. The decision of the judges is final and irrevocable.



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**REGISTRATION FORM**

Name of District: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of School: \_\_\_\_\_

Official Name of the Contingent: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Participants	Grade Level
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Prepared by:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Coach/Chaperone  
(Signature over Printed Name)

Noted:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of School Head  
(Signature over Printed Name)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Public Schools District Supervisor/Care Taker/District-In-Charge  
(Signature over Printed Name)



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## P A R E N T A L   C O N S E N T

I/We hereby willingly and voluntarily give consent the participation of my/our son/daughter \_\_\_\_\_ in the Hugas Luwas Dance Contest on March 23, 2024 at the Negros Oriental Convention Center.

I have considered the benefits that my son or daughter will derive from his/her participation in this activity provided that due care and precaution will be observed to ensure the comfort and safety of my son/daughter and that DepED employees and personnel may not be held responsible for any untoward incident that may happen beyond their control.

Further, I/we fully consent that the filmed dance contest may be uploaded in the Official Facebook Page of DepEd Negros Oriental and Metro Dumaguete Water for promotion purposes of the activity only.

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Name of Parent/Guardian  
(Signature over Printed Name)

Verified by:

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Name Coach/Chaperone  
(Signature over Printed Name)

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Principal/School Head  
(Signature over Printed Name)



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