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DIVISION MEMORANDUM
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UPKB Academic Festival (AcadFest)

To: ASDS
SGOD and CID Chiefs
Education Program Supervisors
Public and Private Elementary and Secondary School Heads
All Other Concerned

1. This Office announces the conduct of **UPKB (University of the Philippines Kadugong Bol-anon) Academic Festival (AcadFest)** on January 7-9, 2025 at the Island City Mall Activity Center, Tagbilaran City, Bohol with the theme **“PAKIGBISOG UG PAKIGHIMAMAT: Saving Education, Shaping the Nation”**. The theme represents the organization’s commitment in investing education and its role in building a better future for all.
2. Kindly find attached guidelines and rules for your reference.
3. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is highly desired.


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UPKB Academic Festival Partnership Proposal

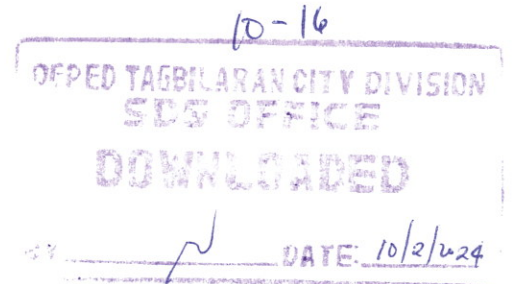
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Maayong adlaw!

University of the Philippines Kadugong Bol-anon Diliman (UPKB Diliman) is the premier organization of UP students in UP Diliman hailing from the province of Bohol and/or who are of Bol-anon heritage.

Every year, UPKB holds activities that adhere to our objectives of promoting Bol-anon culture and the development of our home province. Our biggest event is the **UPKB Academic Festival** (AcadFest), a series of academics-based competitions to be held in Bohol.

In line with this, we would like to **request for the Department of Education Bohol Province Division to be our partner in this event and to endorse our event to schools in Bohol.**


Attached herewith are the details of the UPKB Academic Festival for your reference and perusal.

We hope to hear from you in the soonest time of your convenience. Should there be questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Daghang salamat!

Respectully Yours,

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Maayong Adlaw!

We are the **University of the Philippines Kadugong Bol-anon (UPKB) Diliman Chapter**, an organization of UP students from the province of Bohol and/or who are of Boholano heritage.

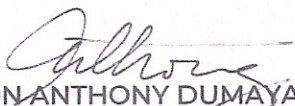
We are once again holding our biggest annual event, the **Academic Festival**. The three-day event is comprised of a **series of challenging inter-school events that caters to grade school, junior high school, and senior high school students**. For this installment, AcadFest will be held on **January 7-9, 2025** at the **Island City Mall Activity Center, Tagbilaran City, Bohol** with the theme **"PAKIGBISOG UG PAKIGHIMAMAT: Saving Education, Shaping the Nation"**. The theme represents the organization's commitment in investing education and its role in building a better future for all.


It is in this light that we are requesting the **Department of Education as a partner** once again in this year's AcadFest. We hope that the **department would endorse the Academic Festival to elementary and high schools in Bohol** as the event is an avenue to **promote education and cultural identity among the Bol-anon students**.


Rest assured that this event will be held solely for the benefit of the students of Bohol. UPKB has prepared a lot of challenging competitions in various fields to test the creativity, intellect and skills of the students of your institutions. The events and the corresponding mechanics, as well as the registration rules follows after this page. Shall you have more concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us through the undersigned.

Thank you very much for your time.

Yours in nation building,


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SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

DAY 0 (January 6, 2025) (TBD)	
08:30 AM - 12:00 PM	Coach Orientation
DAY 1 (January 7, 2025) (TBD)	
07:00 AM - 08:00 AM	Ingress & Registration (for Walk-ins)
08:00 AM - 08:30 AM	Opening Ceremony
08:30 AM - 12:00 PM	Debate 101
08:30 AM - 10:00 AM	Essay & Sanaysay (GS, JHS, SHS)
	Poster Making (GS, JHS, SHS)
12:00 PM - 01:00 PM	Lunch Break
01:00 PM - 04:00 PM	Photojournalism (GS, JHS, SHS)
04:00 PM - 06:00 PM	Day 2 Event Announcements/Egress
DAY 2 (January 8, 2025) (TBD)	
07:00 AM - 08:00 AM	Ingress
08:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Debate Eliminations (JHS)
01:00 PM - 05:00 PM	Debate Eliminations (SHS)
05:00 PM - 06:00 PM	Day 3 Events Announcements/Egress
DAY 3 (January 9, 2025) (ICM)	
07:00 AM - 08:00 AM	Ingress
08:00 AM - 09:00 AM	Brain Scan (JHS)
09:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Brain Scan (SHS)
10:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Mind Maze (JHS)
11:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Mind Maze (SHS)
12:00 PM - 01:00 PM	Lunch Break
01:00 PM - 02:00 PM	Extemporaneous Speaking/Panandaliang Talumpati
02:00 PM - 03:30 PM	Debate Finals (JHS)
03:30 PM - 05:00 PM	Debate Finals (SHS)
05:00 PM - 06:00 PM	Awarding Ceremony
06:00 PM - 07:00 PM	Egress

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REGISTRATION FEES

All registered students in the Academic Festival are entitled to receive the following:

- Academic Festival Participant ID Set
- Souvenir Stickers
- Winners of selected events, in accordance with the Patalasanlahi of UP Sanlahi Alliance, will get the chance to represent Bohol in the national contest in UP Diliman.*

Category	Event	Registration Fee
Grade School	Essay Writing	PHP 50/person
	Pagsulat ng Sanaysay	PHP 50/person
	Poster Making	PHP 50/person

Category	Event	Registration Fee
Junior High School	Brain Scan	PHP 50/person
	Essay Writing	PHP 50/person
	Pagsulat ng Sanaysay	PHP 50/person
	Extemporaneous Speaking	PHP 50/person
	Panandaliang Talumpati	PHP 50/person
	Poster Making	PHP 50/person
	Mind Maze	PHP 50/person
	Photojournalism	PHP 50/person
	Great High School Debate	PHP 300/team

Category	Event	Registration Fee
Senior High School	Brain Scan	PHP 50/person
	Essay Writing	PHP 50/person
	Pagsulat ng Sanaysay	PHP 50/person
	Extemporaneous Speaking	PHP 50/person
	Panandaliang Talumpati	PHP 50/person
	Poster Making	PHP 50/person
	Mind Maze	PHP 50/person
	Photojournalism	PHP 50/person
	Great High School Debate	PHP 300/team



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ACADEMIC FESTIVAL XII

**PAKIGBISOG UG PAKIGHIMAMAT:
SAVING EDUCATION, SHAPING THE NATION**

GENERAL GUIDELINES AND EVENT MECHANICS





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UP KADUGONG BOL-ANON DILIMAN CHAPTER

The University of the Philippines Kadugong Bol-Anon (UPKB) is an organization of UP students hailing from the province of Bohol and/or who are of Boholano heritage. We are one of the duly-recognized geography and ethnicity-based, non-profit student organizations in the University. Our establishment has been a productive avenue for providing a home to hundreds of Boholano students not only in UP Diliman, UP Manila, UP Los Baños, UP Visayas, UP Cebu campuses but also in Silliman University and Visayas State University. We have long been at the forefront of developing a sense of service and responsibility among our members, as well as promoting the province of Bohol, our people, and our culture through various activities.

ACADEMIC FESTIVAL XII

Every year, UPKB holds activities that adhere to our objectives of promoting Bol-anon culture and the development of our home province. Our biggest event is the Academic Festival (AcadFest), a series of academics-based competitions for Bol-anon students.

The AcadFest aims to develop the skills and talents of Bol-anon students, give outstanding Bol-anon youth the recognition they rightfully deserve, and to help Bol-anon youth become aware of current issues, trends, and challenges which may play a role in the contributions they will make to society.

Last 2016, UPKB became part of the UP Sanlahi Alliance, a university-wide congregation of provincial, regional, and ethno-linguistic organizations in UP Diliman. UP Sanlahi Alliance holds an annual academic-related event called PatalaSanlahi – through which students are sent to are given the chance to compete with schools from all over the country, held in UP Diliman, Quezon City.



GENERAL GUIDELINES

- The Academic Festival XII is open to all high school students (senior high school and junior high school) and graders 4 to 6. Any school may send representatives to AcadFest XII provided that they are currently enrolled for S.Y. 24-25 in the said school. Contestants must be able to present proof of enrollment (e.g. school ID or certification from principal with photo) when the need arises.
- Only students listed in the reply form for AcadFest XII submitted by the school to UP Kadugong Bol-anon may participate or represent their school in their corresponding events. In the case that a student listed in the registration form will not be able to participate/attend in his/her event due to illness, the school may replace said student with another currently enrolled student upon presentation of medical certificates. Reasons other than illness will be decided on a case-to-case basis by the Technical Committee of AcadFest XII.
- All contestants must be at the venue at least thirty (30) minutes before the start of their corresponding event. Failure to do so may be grounds for disqualification.
- Judges' decisions are rendered FINAL and IRREVOCABLE.
- All participants and their supporters are encouraged to attend the Opening Ceremony on the 7th of January, 2025 for there will be a roll call of contingent or "show of force" per school, and the Awarding Ceremony on the 9th.
- All rules, regulations, mechanics, and guidelines in this manual are subject to change. Schools will be informed whenever such changes occur.
- Schedule of events may be changed in the case of unexpected situations that may occur. Advisers and participants will be duly informed as soon as possible.
- Each place garnered by a participant/team for each component event will be awarded with corresponding points which will be tallied during the last day to determine the AcadFest XII Overall Winners.

PROTESTS & COMPLAINTS

- Any violation of the mechanics, rules, and regulations for any or all events of AcadFest XII observed by the advisers must be raised to the Technical Committee or Grievance Desk of said event up to the day after the event.
- Only the contestants are allowed to complain. However, protests will be entertained only if the adviser approaches the Technical Committee in the most civil and subtle way to avoid any unnecessary commotion.
- The Technical Committee reserves the prerogative to either disclose the protest or to conceal it from the audience.



Essay Writing & Pagsulat ng Sanaysay

A contest that will challenge the competitors' ability in writing an essay regarding current social issues and the like.

- The essay shall be written on the spot and shall be based on a given topic.
- Each school may only have one (1) participant for Essay Writing, and also one (1) participant for Pagsulat ng Sanaysay in each category (GS, JHS, SHS).
- For Essay Writing, the composition shall be written in English.
- For Pagsulat ng Sanaysay, the composition shall be written in Filipino.
- Smartphones and other digital devices shall be surrendered.
- Entries shall be identified using their respective numbers of the participating student writers.
- Contestants must bring their own black pens.
- Entries must have a minimum of 1000 words.
- A time limit of one hour and thirty minutes shall be allotted for the whole contest.
- Contestants who will arrive late will still be allowed to join the contest, but no time extension shall be given.

Criteria:

Content and Coherence	40%
Relevance	30%
Grammar	15%
Impact	10%
Form/Beauty	5%
TOTAL	100%



Poster Making

This contest will test the contestants' artistry and creativity by creating posters that wholly captures the Academic Festival theme.

- Each school may be represented by only one (1) student in each category (GS, JHS, SHS).
- Smartphones and other digital devices shall be surrendered.
- The poster must illustrate, interpret and emphasize the given theme.
- The participant will be provided one 1/4 size illustration board to be used in the contest.
- ONLY pastel color and pencil should be used as a medium in the contest.
- It is strictly prohibited to bring a draft sketch during the contest proper.
- A draw will be done before the contest proper to distribute the entry numbers to the participants. Entry numbers will be used to avoid bias.
- The order of the entry numbers will be used as the order in presenting the poster/ work.
- The participant will be given 2 hours to complete the poster and 3 minutes only to explain and present their poster/work.
- Questions regarding the mechanics and guidelines will not be entertained during the contest proper. Questions must be addressed before the contest will start.

Criteria:

Creativity	30%
Color harmony	15%
Technique	15%
Relevance to the Theme	25%
Originality	20%
Explanation and Presentation following the Mechanics	25%
TOTAL	100%



Photojournalism

This contest will test the contestants' artistry and creativity by producing photographs and a corresponding-caption that wholly captures the Academic Festival theme.

- The theme of the photojournalism contest will be announced during the day of the event.
- Only one (1) representative per school is allowed to join the said contest in each category (GS, JHS, SHS).
- Any DSLR or digital camera may be used by the participant.
- Photos and captions must be submitted by 4:00 PM during the day of the contest for it to be uploaded on the UP Kadugong Bol-anon AcadFest Facebook Page.
- For judging, 30% of the score will be from votes or "likes" garnered by the said entry and 70% will come from the judges' verdict.

Criteria:

Relevance to the theme	40%
Creativity	25%
Originality	25%
Overall impact	10%
TOTAL	100%



Extemporaneous Speaking & Panandaliang Talumpati

A contest that will test the participants' competence in delivering an unrehearsed, on-impulse speech of their stand about a given theme or topic.

- Each school may only have one participant in each category (JHS, SHS) for Extemporaneous Speaking.
- Each school may only have one participant in each category (JHS, SHS) for Panandaliang Talumpati.
- Participants will draw lots to determine order of presentation.
- Each participant will draw a piece of paper containing their topic and time will start after the participant reads it out loud.

Timeframe:

Organization of Thought	1 min
Delivery	2 min
Wrap-Up (signal will be given)	1 min
TOTAL	4 min per contestant

A signal will be given to denote the start of the delivery phase, the wrap-up phase, and lastly, at the end of the allotted time.

Criteria:

Content	45%
Delivery	35%
Poise and Bearing	20%
TOTAL	100%



Brain Scan

A quiz-type competition covering matters of academic subjects and current events.

- Brain Scan will be open to all high school students, with the JHS and SHS categories being held separately. Each team must be composed of three members. A maximum of 10 teams will be allowed to join the competition.
- There will be 10 questions for each category and each question for every category will be read twice.
- Tag boards **MUST** be raised when allotted time expires, and put down when told.
- Multiple-choice questions must be answered with letters only while questions without choices must be answered with the correct word or phrase. Correct spelling should be strictly followed.
- The scores of the participants from the three rounds will be added at the end of all the rounds to get the total score. The group that garners the highest total score will be declared the champion.
- Any form of cheating is not allowed. The audience must refrain from making any form of signal that would hint the contestants the right answer. Once caught, the contestant/s will be disqualified.
- The questions for each round category will be based on the following: Current events, Pop Culture, General Information, Natural Science, Mathematics, Social Science (Economics, Geography, History, Politics), Language, Arts and Literature.

CATEGORY	TIME LIMIT	POINTS
EASY	30 sec	2 points
AVERAGE	45 sec	3 points
DIFFICULT	60 sec	5 points



Mind Maze

A competition that challenges the students' logic and puzzle-solving skills.

General Guidelines:

- Mind Maze will be open to all high school students, with the JHS and SHS divisions being held separately.. Each team must be composed of three members. A maximum of 10 teams will be allowed to join the competition.
- The contest will be held on January 9, 2025. All teams must be present 15 minutes before the time stated for the registration.
- The participants are only allowed to bring a ballpen or pencil. Tag boards, chawks, and erasers will be provided.
- There are four categories of questions namely math and logic, abstract reasoning, riddles and mystery questions.
- The quiz contest is divided into an elimination round and a final round.
- Every question will be read twice.
- The team can begin answering even if the quizmaster is not yet finished reading the question.
- Timer starts after the question has been read twice. A bell marks the time is over and the teams must raise their tag boards with or without answers.

Elimination Round:

- The elimination round consists of three rounds based on the degree of difficulty of the question: easy, average and difficult rounds. The easy and average rounds are composed of 10 questions each while the difficult is composed of 5 questions.
- Every question in the easy round is worth 10 points and has a time limit of 15 seconds; an average round question is worth 20 points with a time limit of 30 seconds; and a difficult round question is worth 30 points with the limit of 60 seconds.
- The 5 teams with the highest scores will proceed to the final round.

Final Round:

- The final round shall consist of 20 questions, 5 questions from each category.



- The flow of the game in the final round will follow a “betting” format. For every question, teams must bet 5 points or any higher amount divisible by 5.
- The points accumulated in the elimination round will be used as betting points.
- The leading team has the power to choose the category of the question.
- Bets should be placed on the provided tag board after the leading team chose the category and the difficulty of the question is revealed. 10 seconds are allotted as betting time.
- Teams with correct/wrong answers will earn/lose points depending on the amount they bet and the degree of difficulty of the question.
- For easy questions, the team with the correct/wrong answer will earn/lose the amount they bet (1xbet). For average questions, the team with the correct/wrong answer will earn/lose twice the amount they bet (2xbet). For difficult questions, the team with correct/wrong answers will earn/lose thrice the amount they bet (3xbet).
 - Example: The team's current score is 200. If the team bets 10 points for a difficult question and they get the correct answer, their score will become 230. The additional 30 points is based on the bet (10 point) and the difficulty, $10 \times 3 = 30$. If the team got the wrong answer, their score will become 170.
- There is no negative score.
- If in case the team has zero points or has no points to bet, they may use one of their teammates as their bet. The name of their teammate must be written on the tag board. In this case, teams with correct answers will retain their teammate plus an additional 5 points (regardless of the difficulty of the question), while incorrect answers will eliminate the person from the team.
- When only two team members are left in the team, either of them may be placed as a bet. If they get the correct answer, the bet will be retained, and the teammate previously eliminated will be back in the game. If they get a wrong answer, the bet will be out of the team.



- When the team has lost two of its members, the remaining member will have to be the best. If he/she gets the correct answer, he/she can choose one teammate to return to the team. But in case of a wrong answer, the team will be totally eliminated from the game.
- The team with the highest score after the final round shall be declared the champion of the UPKB Acadfest XII Mind Maze. In case of a tie, a clincher round shall be held.

Clincher Round:

- A clincher round shall be held in the event that there is a tie in the elimination and finals round.
- The clincher round will be in a “do or die” format, where teams will be asked a question and the first team to get an answer right will be the winner of the round. In case no team gets the correct answer, another question will be asked until a winner is determined.

Medallion of Immortality:

- During the final round, three special questions hold the Medallion of Immortality. To acquire this, the team should get the correct answer to the special question.
- Each special question grants a medallion to the teams that answered correctly, such that a team can have multiple (maximum of three) medallions at a single time.
- The Medallion of Immortality has the power to shield the team from losing points or a teammate. The team has the freedom of choosing when to use the Medallion of Immortality, but it can only be used ONCE. If the team decides to use the Medallion of Immortality, the team should place it as a bet together with the points the team wants to bet. If the team gets the wrong answer, the medallion will take effect and will prevent the team from losing points. If the team gets the correct answer, the team gets the additional points and the medallion wears off.



Great High School Debate

The Great High School Debate will test the contestants' ability to defend and win over an argument on certain issues that are relevant or of public interest.

- Each school may only send one (1) team composed of three members in each category (JHS, SHS). Junior high school and senior high school categories are held separately.
- For this year's debate competition, the format to be used is Asian Parliamentary. Asian Parliamentary Debate Format: http://debatepedia.idebate.org/en/index.php/Portal:Asian_Parliamentary_Debate
- Schools must have their teams and coaches attend the Debate 101, a separate session held by the AcadFest team where more details on the debate tournament will be substantiated. Date and venue of said session will be announced.
- There will be elimination rounds held simultaneously to determine the top teams that will qualify for the finals. Schedule of events and venues will be announced on our AcadFest page: www.facebook.com/upkbacadfest
- The competing teams for the elimination rounds will be determined randomly. A random selection program will be conducted by the adjudicators of the Great High School Debate.
- The selection of competing teams for the last elimination round will be through power matching; that is depending on the team and individual members' score standing.
- Motions will be given on the day of the feat; a grace period of fifteen minutes will be allotted to the teams for the speech preparation.
- The top two teams at the end of the elimination round will qualify for the final round.
- The team with the highest garnered score (team and individual speakers' scores) will be declared winner.



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We shall be in touch.

Thanks and good luck!