



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
REGION VII - CENTRAL VISAYAS
DIVISION OF CITY SCHOOLS - TAGBILARAN CITY

**Office of the Schools Division
Superintendent**

DIVISION MEMORANDUM
No. 871 , s. 2026

October 15, 2026

Knights of Columbus Oratorical Speech Contests

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chiefs, CID and SGOD
Heads of Public and Private Secondary Schools
All Others Concerned

1. In support of programs that foster literary excellence and learner engagement, this Office, through the Curriculum Implementation Division (CID), hereby disseminates the invitation to participate in the **Knights of Columbus Literary Contests** with the theme, **"Transparency, Accountability, and Justice"**. The contest will be held on **November 28, 2026, Saturday at 1:00 PM, at Cogon National High School, B. Aquino St., Tagbilaran City**.
2. For detailed information and contest mechanics, please see the attached files.
3. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.


For **WILFREDA D. BONGALOS PhD, CESO V**
Schools Division Superintendent

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Knights of Columbus of the Philippines
Visayas State Jurisdiction
Districts 67, 68 and 69
Tagbilaran City



October 12, 2026

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Schools Division Superintendent
Division of City Schools
Tagbilaran City

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Madam:

Warm greetings!

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The Knights of Columbus Districts 67, 68 and 69 situated in Tagbilaran City will sponsor an Oratorical Speech Contest to be participated by all **public and private secondary schools** of this division on November 28, 2026, Saturday @ 1:00PM at Cogon National High School, B. Aquino St. Cogon, this city.

In this regard, we request your good office to support this undertaking by issuing a division memorandum encouraging all secondary schools in this division to participate in this activity and allow us to utilize the Covered Court of Cogon National High School as the contest venue.

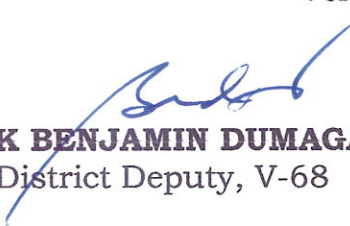
Enclosed herein are the contests guidelines, criteria and prizes for your personal reference.

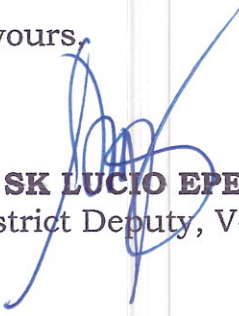
Favorable response is very much highly appreciated.

Thank you and more power.

Very truly yours,


SK ERNESTO NAVEA
District Deputy, V-67


SK BENJAMIN DUMAGAN
District Deputy, V-68


SK LUCIO EPE
District Deputy, V-69

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ORATORICAL SPEECH CONTESTS
On the occasion of the 144th Founding Anniversary
of the Knights of Columbus

This Oratorical Speech Contests is a joint-undertaking of Fourth Degree Assemblies and Councils of the Knights of Columbus based in Tagbilaran City namely:

1. St. John Paul Assembly No. 3669;
2. Msgr. Gelacio Ramirez Assembly No. 1538;
3. Dao Sta. Cruz Council No. 16297 (Brgy. Dao);
4. San Roque Council No. 16818 (Brgy. Tiptip);
5. Immaculate Heart of Mary Council No. 14601 (Brgy. Taloto);
6. St. Joseph Cathedral Council No. 5698
7. Bohol Council No. 3290.
8. SK Pedro Caunan Council No. 9329 (Lindaville Subdivision)
9. Bohol Institute of Technology-International College Council No. 9292
10. San Roque Assembly No. 4048
11. Our Lady of Guadalupe Council (Booy)
12. Birhen sa Barangay Council (Cogon)
13. Holy Trinity Council No. 17342 (Manga)
14. San Antonio De Padua Council No. 16699 (Ubujan)

To highlight the significance of the 144th anniversary celebration of the foundation of the Knights of Columbus, the aforementioned assemblies and councils spearhead this Oratorical Speech Contests. The theme or topic of the contest will focus on theme, "Transparency, Accountability and Justice" in furtherance of the core values and principles of the Knights of Columbus.

A. MECHANICS:

1. The contest is open for all public and private secondary schools in Tagbilaran City. There shall be only one contestant from every school except for Dr. Cecilio Putong National High School which shall be given two (2) slots – 1 contestant from Junior High School and 1 contestant from Senior High School due to its huge student population.
2. The topic or theme of the oration is "Transparency, Accountability and Justice"
3. The piece must be original. It must bear the name and address of the author.
4. The delivery shall not be less than five (5) minutes but not to exceed seven (7) minutes.

5. The speaker must refrain from using slanderous or libelous words or statements. "Condemn the act, not the person."
6. The contestants must wear Filipiniana-inspired attire.
7. The contestants must arrive at the venue 30 minutes before the start of the competition.
8. The venue of the contest will be at the Cogon National High School Covered Court, B. Aquino St., Cogon, Tagbilaran City.

B. CRITERIA FOR JUDGING:

A. Relevance to the theme	-----	25%
B. Delivery	-----	25%
C. Mastery	-----	25%
D. Stage Presence	-----	25%
TOTAL		100%

- A. Relevance to the theme – the way the speech respond or address the chosen topic.
- B. Delivery – Clarity of speech, proper pronunciation of words and variation of pitch.
- C. Mastery - committing the entire speech to memory allowing for more natural delivery through eye contact.
- D. Stage presence - Appropriate use of hands, body, facial expressions and demeanor.

III. PRIZES

1st Prize _ _ _ _ _ P3, 000.00

2nd Prize _ _ _ _ _ P2, 000.00

3rd Prize _ _ _ _ _ P1, 000.00

Every non-winning participant is entitled to a consolation prize of P300.00 each.

IV. PUBLICATION OF THE WINNING ESSAY/ORATORICAL PIECE

The Knights of Columbus shall have the right to publish the essay or oration piece declared as winners in any local newspapers in Bohol.