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Legazpi City to host the 2023 Regional Schools Press Conference

Legazpi City, May 24, 2023 – After more than three years of hiatus, the Department of Education (DepEd) Bicol will once again hold the Regional Schools Press Conference (RSPC) with the Schools Division Office (SDO) of Legazpi as the host of the competition.

In a recently issued memorandum, DepEd Bicol Director Gilbert Sadsad announced Legazpi City's hosting for this anticipated competition. The RSPC will take place from June 9, 2023, to June 11, 2023, in Albay Central School, Legazpi City, bringing together talented student journalists from various schools across the Region.

"This event promises to be an exciting and enlightening experience for both participants and spectators alike," Director Sadsad said.

The RSPC serves as a platform for aspiring young journalists to showcase their skills and promote responsible journalism. Likewise, the competition offers a platform for student journalists to display their talents, exchange ideas, and learn from each other's experiences. It fosters camaraderie and healthy competition among schools while encouraging the pursuit of journalistic excellence.

This year, participants will engage in various competitive categories to wit, News Writing, Feature Writing, Editorial Writing, Sports Writing, Copyreading and Headline Writing, Science and Technology Writing, Photojournalism, Editorial Cartooning, and Column Writing for Individual Contest Category; Radio Script Writing and Broadcasting, Collaborative Desktop Publishing, Online Publishing Contest (for secondary level), and TV Script Writing and Broadcasting (for secondary level) for Group Contests Category.

Meanwhile, the School Paper Contests Categories shall also award the Best News Section, Feature Section, Editorial Section, Science and Technology Section, Sports Section, and Layout and Page Design.

The theme for this year's RSPC is "From Campus Journalism to Real-World Journalism: Shaping Minds from Schools to Societies." This theme reflects the crucial role of journalism in shaping public opinion and fostering social responsibility. It emphasizes the need for young journalists to not only report news but also make a positive impact on society through their work.

"DepEd Bicol extends its gratitude to the SDO of Legazpi City for their commitment to hosting this event. Their efforts in providing a conducive environment for healthy competition and learning are highly appreciated." said Director Sadsad.

The conduct of the RSPC is pursuant to RA 7079 or also known as Campus Journalism Act of 1991, released through the DepEd Order No 94, s. 1992 which stipulates the holding of the of the annual national elementary, secondary and tertials schools press conference.



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