DIVISION MEMORANDUM
No. 307, s. 2019

To: Chief Education Supervisors, CID and SGOD
Public/Private Elementary and Secondary School Heads
All Others Concerned

From: For the Schools Division Superintendent:
SUNNY RAY F. AMIT
Assistant Schools Division Superintendent

Subject: ONLINE REGISTRATION FOR THE 2020 METROBANK-MTAP-
DEPED MATH CHALLENGE

Date: September 10, 2019

Enclosed is the letter from the Assistant Executive Director of Metrobank Foundation Irene D. Labitad re: 2020 Metrobank-MTAP-DepEd Math Challenge Online Registration which is self-explanatory.

Queries relative to this activity can be relayed to Imelda S. Bentillo-Education Program Supervisor at 09068680679.

TO BE POSTED IN THE WEBSITE
August 14, 2019

Dr. Rebonfamil R. Baguio  
Schools Division Superintendent  
Division of Malaybalay City  
Department of Education

Thru: Mrs. Imelda S. Bentillo, Education Program Supervisor

Dear Dr. Baguio,

Mabuhay!

We would like to thank you for your valuable support to the 2019 Metrobank-MTAP-DepEd Math Challenge (MMC). We are very pleased to note that your Division is actively participating in the MMC every year and this is because of the active support to the program of Division Superintendents like you.

Once again, the Metrobank Foundation, Inc. in partnership with the Mathematics Teachers Association of the Philippines (MTAP) and the Department of Education (DepEd) is set to hold the 2020 MMC from January to March 2020.

The same with last year’s Math Challenge, ALL PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS are required to register online and submit MMC Form 1 via www.metrobankmathchallenge.com. Also, the Division Math Supervisors are required to accomplish the MMC Form 2 or the tagging of schools to its testing centers through the MMC online portal via https://onlineportal.metrobankmathchallenge.com.

In line with this, we would like to request your assistance on the following:
1. Issuance of a Division Memorandum - Issue a memo on the 2020 MMC highlighting the need for participating schools to register online. Deadline for registration is October 15, 2019. Attached is the draft memorandum that we are requesting the DepEd Central Office to issue on the 2019 MMC, for your reference.
2. Submission of MMC Form 2 – Instruct your assigned Math Supervisor in charge to update their information in the MMC online portal on or before August 31, 2019 and register your Division’s participation by accomplishing the MMC Form 2 via the MMC online portal starting September 09, 2019. Deadline of submission is on October 31, 2019.

You may call Jashly Rayoan, our Technical Assistant at CP No. (0917) 314-7616 for any difficulties in logging into your MMC account or if you have any questions related to the MMC online portal. For creation of new account to new Division Math Supervisors, please go to http://bit.ly/MMCPortalAccess and answer the online request form.

Through our partnership and shared efforts, we believe that we will surely create an impact towards increasing the level of our students' achievement in Mathematics. For more queries, please contact our Program Coordinator, **Ms. Dang R. Red** at (02) 898-8898 or CP no. 0922.804.3055 or email at dang.red@metrobank.com.ph.

Thank you so much. We are looking forward to another year of productive partnership between our two institutions.


Very truly yours,

IRENE D. LABITAD
Assistant Executive Director
THE 2020 METROBANK-MTAP-DepEd MATH CHALLENGE

To:
Bureau Directors
Regional Directors
Schools Division/City Superintendents
Elementary and Secondary Regional/Division Math Supervisors
Heads of Private and Public Elementary and Secondary Schools

1. The Metrobank Foundation, Inc. (MBFI), the Mathematics Teachers Association of the Philippines (MTAP) and the Department of Education (DepEd) will hold the 2020 Metrobank-MTAP-DepEd Math Challenge from January to March 2020.

2. The overall objective of the competition is to contribute in improving the quality of Mathematics education in the Philippines. Specifically, it aims to:

   a. Awaken greater interest in Mathematics among elementary and junior high school students all over the country;
   b. Challenge students to strive for mathematical excellence, and;
   c. Empower mathematical talents with awards and recognitions for them to serve as models to the youth.

3. The Elimination and Division Level competitions will be participated in by elementary and junior high school students nationwide. However, only Grade 6 and Grade 10 students can participate in the Regional and National Finals.

4. ALL public and private schools are required to register online using the ONLINE MMC Form 1 via http://www.metrobankmathchallenge.com. Please read carefully the Enclosure no.4 for the Instruction Guide for the ONLINE MMC Form No. 1 (MMC Document no.4).

   4.1. Only schools located in far flung and hard-to-reach areas from pre-identified division offices have the option to manually submit a hard copy MMC Form No. 1 to their respective Division Math Supervisors on or before September 16, 2019. For the list of pre-identified division offices and schools, please refer to Enclosure no. 5 for the Guidelines for the Manual Submission of Hard Copy MMC Form No.1 (MMC Document No. 5).
4.2. Other schools that have internet access from the pre-identified divisions should still register online.

4.2. The Division Math Supervisors shall collate and send a scanned copy in one (1) pdf file of the manually submitted MMC Form No. 1 to the MMC Secretariat at secretariat.mathchallenge@gmail.com on or before September 20, 2019. Please indicate in the email subject the name of the Division Office, no. of entries, MMC Form No. 1.

   Example email subject: Division of Apayao, 19 entries, MMC Form No. 1.

4.3. The MMC Secretariat shall encode the MMC Form No. 1 immediately a week after receiving the email and shall inform the Division Math Supervisors through email and text once encoding on or before September 30, 2019.

4.4. Once all MMC Form No. 1 are encoded, the DepEd Math Supervisor shall accomplish the MMC Form 2 or the tagging of schools to its testing centers.

The list of Division Offices with hard-to-reach areas was identified by the MMC Secretariat through the following criteria:

- Majority of schools have no access to internet and mobile data connection and;
- Geographical location is challenging which limits an individual to travel to nearby areas where internet connection is available.

5. For NCR, all public schools with regular curriculum shall be tagged and compete under Category A. All private schools including public science high schools, Chinese schools and DOST and SUCs science high schools shall compete in Category B.

6. The school contestants and their respective coaches must present the printed copy of online MMC form No. 1 (email confirmation) to the registration in-charge together with their identification cards during the Elimination Round on January 16, 2020 (Elementary) or January 17, 2020 (Junior High School). This serves as permit in joining the competition. “No permit, No Entry” policy shall be implemented.

7. The Division Math Supervisors are required to accomplish the MMC Form 2 or the tagging of schools to its testing centers through the MMC online portal via http://www.onlineportal.metrobankmathchallenge.com. This shall serve as the official entry and intent of the Division in joining MMC. Failure to do so shall be grounds for disqualification.

8. Division Math Supervisors shall be in-charge of the preparation, implementation and documentation of the Eliminations and Division competitions including preparation of the program and fielding of qualified officials to serve as judges, proctors and hosts/quizmasters. He/She will also be responsible for settling all questions, and protests, which may arise in the course of the competition or a panel of advisers, may be formed by the Division Schools Superintendent. For security and for purposes of maintaining the confidentiality of the test questions, the turn-over of the test materials will be documented and all packages in the different stages of the competition will be opened Enclosure no.2 for the Operating Guidelines (MMC Document No. 2), as we strictly implement new policies.
9. For the Regional Finals, the Regional Math Supervisor shall be in-charge of the preparation, implementation and documentation of the Regional Finals including preparation of program, designation of judges, proctors, correctors for the individual competition & hosts/quizmasters and, provision of decent accommodation to the MTAP representative. The representative from MTAP will assist in facilitating this stage of the competition, both in the individual and team competitions. He/she will also be responsible for settling all questions and protests, which may arise in the course of the competition.

10. Travel to the regions of MTAP representatives who will help DepEd organize and conduct the Regional Finals shall be on official time.

11. For the National Finals, MBFI shall be in-charge of the preparation, implementation, and documentation. Please refer to Enclosure no. 2 for the Operating Guidelines (MMC Document no.2) for the qualification of National Finalists.

12. All DepEd officials shall actively campaign and enjoin support for the competition of all public and private schools in the country through the issuance of a memorandum, to ensure maximum participation.

13. In compliance to the no collection policy of the Department, no registration fees shall be collected from participating schools in all phases of the competition.

14. The participating parties shall shoulder expenses (such as transportation and meal expenses) from the elimination round to the regional level competition. Participants from private schools shall make necessary arrangements for their expenses with their school heads. At the national level, the Metrobank Foundation (MBFI) will finance the transportation expenses, accommodation and meal allowance of the national finalists and their coaches. MBFI shall also provide the awards for the winners from the Division Finals (medals) to the Regional and National Finals (cash incentives, medals and trophies), as well as, cash incentives for the Coaches of Regional and National Finalists.

15. The following documents and forms are contained in the Enclosures:
   a. Enclosure No. 1 – Primer (MMC Document No. 1)
   b. Enclosure No. 2 – Operating Guidelines (MMC Document No. 2)
   c. Enclosure No. 3 – Contest Mechanics (MMC Document No. 3)
   d. Enclosure No. 4 – Instruction Guide for the ONLINE MMC Form No. 1
   e. Enclosure No. 5 - Guidelines on the Manual Submission of Hard Copy MMC Form No. 1 and List of Pre-identified Divisions and Schools (MMC Document No.5)
   f. Enclosure No. 6 – 2020 MMC Form No. 1 (for pre-identified Divisions and schools only)

These documents & forms may also be downloaded at www.mbfoundation.org or at the official Facebook Page of MMC at www.facebook.com/MMC-Metrobank-MTAP-DepEd-Math-Challenge.

16. In case of conflict in schedule with other DepEd activities, the DepEd Division and Regional Offices are advised to assign appropriate persons to administer the tests at the Division and/or Regional levels on the scheduled dates. As agreed upon by the MMC National Steering Committee, conduct of the contest other than the schedule below is not allowed:

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**Note: There will be NO Sectoral Finals for NCR.**

17. However, change in schedule of the elimination rounds and division finals shall only be allowed upon approval of the National Steering Committee on the following reasons:
   a. Competition coincides with the celebration of a local holiday; or
   b. Division is affected by a natural calamity.

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The DepEd Division must inform the MMC National Steering Committee at the latest, two weeks before the original competition schedule.

18. Changes in schedule of the Regional Finals will not be allowed due to significant negative implications in the logistical and technical preparations. Any delay will also affect the conduct of the National Finals.

19. Arrangements for substitute teachers must be made to ensure that the classes of the participating teacher-coaches will not be disrupted.

20. Should the competition be rescheduled on a Saturday, DepEd personnel organizing and facilitating the event shall earn service credits or compensatory time-off for non-teaching faculty.

21. The Division Math Supervisor shall submit completion report on the conduct of the elimination and Division Finals on or before **February 10, 2019**. Only an electronic copy of the report should be submitted through email at secretariat.mathchallenge@gmail.com.

22. For more information and further inquiries, please contact Ms. Dang R. Red, Program Coordinator at tel. nos. (02) 857-0618, 898-8898, CP no. (0922) 804-3102 or email: secretariat.mathchallenge@gmail.com; or call the Mathematics Teachers Association of the Philippines (MTAP) c/o Mrs. Flordelita G. Male at telephone no. (02) 709-0447 or email at mmcmathchallenge@gmail.com.

23. Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

**LEONOR MAGTOLIS BRIONES**  
Secretary

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**Allotment:**

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index.

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