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## 879 delegates troop to 2017 Palarong Pambansa

SIBALOM, Antique- Around 900 delegates- student-athletes, children with special needs, coaches, and officials- from Region IV-A CALABARZON flocked on April 18 at Pier 4 North Harbor, Tondo, Manila to head for Antique, the venue for Palarong Pambansa 2017.

The 879 red vested squad is composed of delegates from Cavite, Laguna, Batangas, Rizal and Quezon who topped in the recently concluded Regional Sports Competition held in Laguna.

With the other 17 regions of the country, they will converge in San Jose de Buenavista City from April 23 to 29 for the 60th edition of the Paloro - the biggest inter-school competition organized by the Department of Education that banners the theme: "Converges Youth Power, Builds Sustainable Future."

The student-athletes are set to compete in the different sporting events like athletics, archery, arnis, badminton, basketball, baseball, boxing, chess, football, gymnastics, sepak takraw, swimming, softball, lawn tennis, volleyball, wushu, futsal and billiards.

The team will also participate in demo sports including dance sports, pencak silat and aquatic gymnastics.

Moreover, special games for children with special needs will highlight this year's Paloro. These include athletics, swimming, goal ball, and bocce, a ball sport closely related to bowling.

The whole delegation will be billeted at Pis-anan National High School and Pis-anan Elem. School.

Meanwhile, the flaming Team CALABARZON will continue to challenge the 12<sup>th</sup>-peat dominance of the National Capital Region in the over-all Palarong Pambansa rankings.

In an interview, Regional Sports Coordinator Pacita Q. Lungcay said that the region expects to win many gold medals this year because of the rigid preparations and trainings conducted.

"We really aim higher this year because we have seen how our young athletes,



Region IV-A CALABARZON delegates to the Palarong Pambansa 2017 claim their tickets for departure at North Harbor, Pier 4, Tondo, Manila, April 18. |Photo: Marlon T. Bedua – Amadeo National High School / Cavite Province



Officials, players and coaches board MV St. Therese of the Child Jesus bound for Iloilo. Photo: Marlon T. Bedua – Amadeo National High School / Cavite Province

trainers and coaches strived hard to be the best in their respective sports events," said Lungcay.

To recall, the region came in 2<sup>nd</sup> place with 40 golds, 43 silvers, and 59 bronzes in last year's Paloro which is a drop from 51 in 2015 Paloro when they likewise finished second.

"We are optimistic we could get hold again of gold medals in the athletics field events, swimming, badminton, softball,

baseball and combative sports such as taekwondo," she added.

However, the sports coordinator said that the Palarong Pambansa is an occasion for friendly games and learning experiences, and that win or lose, the spirit of sportsmanship and camaraderie should prevail among the student-athletes. (Patrick Coquilla, Trece Martires City National High School, Division of Cavite)

## SDS Talavera strengthens partnership with stakeholders SDO-Tayabas bares plans to educational success

“We should strengthen our partnership in the community. Rest assured that DepEd Tayabas will support the different projects of the community and we also hope that parents, barangay captain, stakeholders, and other members of the community will also help in attaining the goals of the division,” said Dr. Catherine P. Talavera, Schools Division Superintendent, during the Division Education Summit last March 30.

Held at Tayabas East Central School – III covered court, the event themed, “Pagsibol ng Binhi ng Pagkakaisa,” laid out the overall goals and strategies of the City Schools Division of Tayabas and its schools to the stakeholders of the community.

Present on the occasion were the school heads from primary and secondary schools, and stakeholders consisting of officials from the Local Government Unit (LGU), student officers, barangay captains, and private citizens who expressed sustenance to the causes of the division and projects of their schools.

To affirm the general support of LGU-Tayabas, Hon. Ernida A. Reynoso, City Mayor, stated the goals and projects of the city government in improving the quality of education to various educational institutions around the city.

Moreover, Reynoso brought out the recent development about the creation of Southern Luzon State University (SLSU) of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century which was planned to be erected in Tayabas.

On the other hand, Edwin Paul Navarro, OIC-ASDS, presented the general profile and statistics of the division in terms of number of public and private schools, enrolment per school year, completion rate, and allocation of division funds (MOOE), among others.

After the presentation of the aforementioned data, Dr. Talavera then laid out the division strategic directions in which goals and their specific strategies were discussed to the participants of the said event.

The goals included building healthy schools to support academic success and school attendance and improving learning outcomes of students.

Based on these goals, the SDS also



*Dr. Catherine P. Talavera, OIC-SDS, expresses her gratitude to stakeholders.*

pointed out strategies as key for attainment which comprised of various actions such as establishment of Health Action Team (HAT), healthy learning environment, and access to health services.

Moreover, she also indicated the development of teachers’ competencies, and curriculum implementation as key solutions in improving learning process and providing inclusive education.

Dr. Talavera also stressed the Association of Southeast Asian National (ASEAN) Integration and the necessity to prepare the Tayabense youths in competing with other nations and landing jobs in other countries, specifically in the neighboring countries

“Kailangan ang ating mga kabataan [ay] maging handa dito para makakuha sila ng trabaho kahit saan nila gusto,” she reiterated.

With this, Dr. Talavera specified the creation of more jobs with emphasis on employment generated from Technology-Vocational courses.

“We are also trying to prepare our parents in these transformations, for them

to be enlightened on what will come to our education and its effects to their children who are our students,” exclaimed Dr. Talavera, pointing out the vital participation of parents in the learning process and educational changes faced by their children.

After presenting the division goals and strategies, participants of the summit were encouraged to take part in the open forum and voice out their opinions, queries, and needs.

Some of the concerns highlighted during the forum were enrolment of out of school youths, constraints in birth certificate, child mapping, education for all, and the creation of Dapdap Integrated School.

On the other hand, a pledge of oath was signed by participants in the said event, sealing their allegiance to the goals of DepEd Tayabas and solidarity in meeting these visions.

According to Dr. Talavera, the said projects are expected to kick off by June which is the start of the School Year 2017-2018.

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# “A Celebration of Success”, SDO Cavite City’s Wet-Down Ceremony for newly promoted teachers, employees



Director Ma. Theresa Poblador of CSC.

In its bid to give importance to employees and provide them a sense of purpose in their worthy accomplishments, SDO Cavite City scheduled a Wet-Down Ceremony last March 22, 2017 at SSC-R Main Campus - Multi-Purpose Hall, to celebrate the promotion of eighty (80) teachers and personnel. No other than Director Ma. Theresa Poblador of the Civil Service Commission graced the occasion, and expressed her delight as she mentioned that it is indeed her first time to ever get a chance to witness such momentous event, that is celebrating the promotion of newly promoted employees in a grand ceremony. She gave exemplary remarks on the leadership of Dr. Rosemarie Torres, SDS-Cavite City, on her initiative at exerting effort and utmost commitment in raising the morale of the DepEd Cavite City employees. In her parting words, Poblador stressed the importance of living to the adage of “service beyond one’s self” and “staying true to the service of the people”. (Estrella Gonzales, Cavite City)



SDS Rosemarie D. Torres (3rd right) leads in the oath taking of newly hired teachers and personnel.

## SDO-Tayabas bares plans...

“Sa mga school heads na makakasama ko sa pag-iimplement ng mga proyektong ito, alam kong mahirap ang trabaho. Gayunpaman, alam ko na nagmamahal kayo sa DepEd, sa ating bayan, paaralan, magkaisa tayo na matupad ang pangarap na ito,” she said.

As part of the summit’s program, Dr. Talavera gave recognition to schools which put up the best tarpaulin designs inside the venue, showcasing their best practices and profile. East Palale ES, Alsam ES, Ipil-an-Alitao ES, Gibanga ES, Domoit ES, and Lakawan ES, garnered the top spots and received awards and cash prize.

Meanwhile, Edwin Rodriguez, SGOD Chief, and Imelda Raymundo, CID-CEPS,

served as hosts for the said event while singing of the National Anthem. (Alfonso Mildred Galleno, EPS-Kindergarten and Generosa Zubieta, EPS- Learning School (LPNHS), Tayabas City) Resources, led the invocation and



Dr. Catherine P. Talavera, OIC-SDS, builds strong ties with the stakeholders during the 2017 Education Summit.