



Department of Education
Region III
DIVISION OF PAMPANGA
City of San Fernando



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DIVISION MEMORANDUM

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To : Public Schools District Supervisors/ Cluster Chairpersons
School Heads/Administrators of Public/ Private Elementary/ Secondary School
Elementary/ Secondary Mathematics Teachers
Mathematics Coordinators
Others concerned

2018 Division Level Metrobank-MTAP-DEPED Math Challenge

1. The Metrobank-MTAP-DepEd Math Challenge is an annual Mathematics competition for elementary and secondary students in both public and private schools nationwide. Now on its 17th year, the Math Challenge is being implemented by the Metrobank Foundation, Inc. (MBFI), the Mathematics Teachers Association of the Philippines (MTAP) and the Department of Education (DepEd), in cooperation with First Metro Investment Corporation.
2. The overall objective of the competition is to contribute in improving the quality of Mathematics Education in the Philippines through the following:
 - a. awakening greater interest in Mathematics among elementary and secondary school learners;
 - b. encourage them to strive for excellence in Mathematics;
 - c. discovering mathematical talents among them;
 - d. developing the values of hard work, perseverance, honesty, teamwork and sportsmanship; and
 - e. providing them with opportunities and leadership and cooperative undertaking.
3. The Elimination Level Competition of this division will be held on **January 11, 2018 (Elementary Level)** and **January 12, 2018 (Secondary Level)** and shall be participated by private and public elementary and secondary school learners pre-registered by the Mathematics teachers at their respective district/ cluster testing centers. Only the top 20 Highest in Rank will be qualified to vie in the Division Finals from Grade 1 to Grade 10 on **February 1, 2018 (Elementary Level)** and **February 2, 2018 (Secondary Level)** with venue to be announced on a later date. However, only Grades 6 and 10 learners can participate in the Regional level on February 26, 2018 and National Finals on March 23-24, 2018.
4. Division Mathematics supervisor and Mathematics Coordinators shall be in-charge of the preparation, implementation and documentation of the Elimination Level and Division Finals Competition, including preparation of the program and fielding of qualified officials to serve as judges, proctors and hosts/quizmasters who will be responsible for settling all questions, including protests, which may arise in the course of the competition. A panel of advisers shall also be formed to address questions during the competition.
5. Testing materials will be turned over to the District Mathematics Representatives (DMRs) and Cluster Math Coordinators (CMCs) on the day before the competition. 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 simultaneously at 8:00 a.m. on the date of the competition.
6. DepEd officials, including public schools district supervisors, cluster chairmen and school heads (SHs) shall be requested to actively supervise and enjoin support for the competition to ensure maximum participation and order.

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