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SCHOOLS DIVISION OF ESCALANTE CITY

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DIVISION MEMORANDUM
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PARTICIPANTS IN THE 4TH GOVERNOR'S CUP ESPORTS COMPETITION:
MOBILE LEGENDS: BANG BANG (MLBB)

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chief Education Supervisors
Education Program Supervisors/Specialists
Public Secondary School Heads
All Others Concerned

- In line with the Letter of Invitation regarding the **Upcoming 4th Governor's Cup Esports Competition: Mobile Legends: Bang Bang (MLBB)**, hosted by the **Negros Occidental Language and Information Technology Center (NOLITC)**, this Office hereby announces the participation of the following schools and learners on September 27, 2026.
- The list of participating schools, learners, and coaches is attached herewith.

School/ Team	Name of Participants	Grade Level
1. Malasibog Integrated School	1. BENEDIC R. PAMANDANAN	9
	2. CARL PATRICK B. CANOY	9
	3. JERAPH M. JOSOL	9
	4. ZIAN LUCERO	9
	5. ANGEL J. REGODOS	9
	6. JHON REN C. MONONG	10
Coach	JOSEPHUS C. IBANEZ	
2. Paitan Integrated School	1. ROMEL G. OYANIB	10
	2. CHRISCHAN N. CASTOR	10
	3. JULIAN DAVE L. PLUMO	10
	4. JETDARK T. SATAM	9
	5. ERNIE A. MUÑEZ	10
	6. MARY MAE M. MATURAN	10
Coach	LORIE JANE G. PEROLINO	
3. Buenavista National High School	1. KYLE BENEDICT M. BACAN	10
	2. KHYLE LAWRENCE A. PURA	10
	3. KERR DENZEL M. MARCELLA	10
	4. REYNALYN G. OJOYLAN	10
	5. ALLEN M. SUAN	10
	6. CHRIS LOREN S. ABELLO	10
Coach	NAICY C. VILLACORA	
4. Dian-ay National High School	1. CLYVE ASHER LAZADAS	10
	2. ZIEHL ZANDER REQUIRON	10
	3. MAX XIVER TALBO	10
	4. JOREZ PACUBAS	10
	5. JOHN PAUL GREGORIO	10
	6. SARAH JAVELLANA	9
Coach	ARMENE T. FLORES	



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5. Escalante National High School	1. RYAN JAKE P. YAMBA	10
Team A	2. JERO CLIFFORD B. SURIGAO	10
	3. NELSON EMIL T. LAO	10
	4. FRANCIS S. GALI	10
	5. EDRIANNE DANE N. BALENARIO	10
	6. CHRISTINE JANE L. BULADO	10
Coach	JOE-M D. MAHILUM	
6. Escalante National High School	1. ANGEL CHAVES	10
Team B	2. PRINCESS FIONA GENEROSO	10
	3. IKECA KIM BAGABOYO	10
	4. MARIAN BORJA	10
	5. PRINCESS AVRIL ALVARADO	10
	6. HANNAH NIÑAL	10
Coach	JOE-M D. MAHILUM	
7. Floro T. Bongco Farm School	1. JET CLARK D. MILITAR	9
	2. JEREM B. MILITAR	9
	3. JGOELAND G. PONCE	9
	4. REL MARK C. ABOLACION	9
	5. ANGELITO LAYON	9
	6. LOVELY JANE CAHINOD	8
Coach	RENIEL ANTHONY G. CEPE	
8. Washington National High School	1. JEU C. CUAMBOT	9
	2. JAN CLARENZ R. DEMECILLO	10
	3. IAN A. ABABAT	10
	4. RAMZIE S. PABALATE	10
	5. DENMARK M. JAPITANA	10
	6. SASHA G. JAPITANA	10
Coach	JENNIFER G. ABADIA	
9. Mabini National High School	1. VINCE RENZO V. GATPO	10
Team A	2. PJ C. VALIENTE	10
	3. JUNERYL S. PADIOS	10
	4. EARL JIETH P. GLIPO	10
	5. JEMUEL JADE L. GEPITOLAN	10
	6. CHELSEA MATA	10
Coach	BERNIE REY VINSON	
10. Mabini National High School	1. NICOLE AMODIA	10
Team B	2. KYLIE PORTUNES	10
	3. ARENE MALUYA	10
	4. JUDY LISBOG	10
	5. REXEL JOHN VILLARAN	10
	6. CRISTINE CHAVEZ	10
Coach	BERNIE REY VINSON	
11. Old Poblacion National High School	1. JAN MICAH LIM MARATAS	9
	2. CHARL SCHNEIDER CATAM-ISAN	9
	3. ARJEAN A. ARTAJO	9
	4. JAKE N. ZAMORA	9
	5. LANCE YDRIANNE D. ARTAJO	9
	6. NATHAN DALE DELOSPOBRES	8
Coach	MARK GLENN G. APE	
12. Pinapugasan National High School	1. JHANLIE JINES	10
	2. JED LOPEZ	10
	3. DENNIS CUAMBOT	10



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	4. EDWIN MONTESA	9
	5. JUNRYL VALLENTE	9
	6. LAICA MAHILUM	8
Coach	ZELAICA R. SAURA	

3. The tournament will be held virtually via Discord. For inquiries, please coordinate with **CLINT S. CINCO**, Division Information Technology Officer.
4. For more information, please refer to the attached **Game Mechanics and Guidelines from the Negros Occidental Language and Information Technology Center (NOLITC)**.
5. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum are hereby directed.


PETER J. GALIMBA
OIC- Schools Division Superintendent

Enclosure: Game Mechanics and Guidelines
Reference: As stated,
To be indicated in the Perpetual
Index under the following subjects:

COMMUNICATION
09/16/2026

ESPORTS

COMPETITION

4th Governor's Cup Mobile Legends Bang Bang
Esports Competition 2026

12 Teams Per City/Municipality

A. TEAM REQUIREMENTS

- A team should consist of (6) six JHS Students (Grade 7 to 10) (Must have at least 1 Female Student) and (1) one Teacher Coach.
 - All members of the team should all come from the same school.
 - Must have their own Mobile Device and Mobile Data/Internet Connectivity.
 - The team must upload to a google drive a picture/scanned copy of 6 JHS Student School ID (with picture, name and signature, front and back) Team Photo and School/Team logo.
 - A Team must have an extra device that has audio and video capability such as: Mobile Phone; Laptop with Camera or Desktop Computer with Webcam for Discord.
 - The Teacher coach and Team Captain should join the 4th Governor's Cup Mobile Legends Bang Bang Esports Competition 2026.
- Discord Channel: <https://discord.gg/hZtQZayptv>

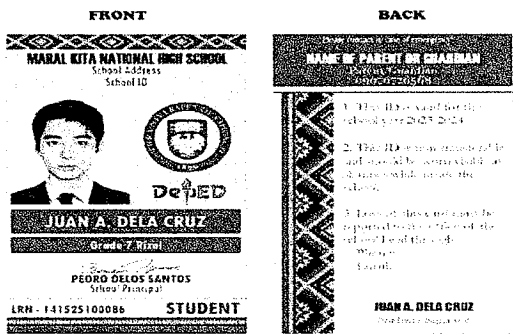
To Register Email to: nolite.trainingcoordinator@gmail.com

Format:

- City/Municipality:
Name of School:
Team Name:
Team Captain: First name, M.I., Last Name
Player 1: First name, M.I., Last Name
Player 2:
Player 3:
Player 4:
Player 5:
Player 6:

Google Drive link:

Sample:



B. GUIDELINES

a. Participants of the 4th Governor's Cup Mobile Legends Bang Bang Esports Competition 2026 shall meet the following qualifications:

1. Participants must be Bonafide JHS students of the school representing from the date of registration to the date of execution of games.

2. Participants agree to adhere to the rules and regulations of the competition as deemed by the decision of the marshals and the committee.

b. Each team must consist of the following provisions:

1. All members of each team should only be JHS (Grade 7 to 10) students of the respective School.

2. Members must have an eligible MLBB account available on Philippine Server.

3. Roster Size: Teams will be required to have at least five (6) JHS Students and (1) Teacher Coach.

4. Substitutions: Teams may freely field any (5) five of their (6) six players from their active roster before the start of the match.

c. The general guidelines in addition to the rules shall guide the competition:

1. The competition will be played in single elimination round best of 3 setup and Finals Match best of 5.

2. The Champion team will represent their city or municipality in the upcoming 5th Panaad Sa Negros Festival: Governor's Cup Mobile Legends Bang Bang Esports Competition 2027 "Battle of Champions".

C. GAME RULES

a. The rules established in these guidelines must be strictly followed and observed by all players and officials involved in the match. These guidelines establish a comprehensive structure to manage Mobile Legends: Bang Bang games while encouraging fair play and sportsmanship among all participants.

The 4th Governor's Cup Mobile Legends Bang Bang Esports Competition 2026 tournament shall comply to the following regulations:

1. Game Mode. The competition will utilize the custom draft pick or Tournament lobby, game mode.
2. Spectators Mode. The competition will only allow the NOLITC Esports Marshal and facilitators to be in the spectator's mode.
3. Discord. The competition will utilize a discord team for the duration of each game.
4. Game Version: The game version will be decided by the Tournament Officials, use of newly released heroes, heroes with recent balance updates and those with known bugs may be temporarily banned.
5. Preparation Time: Players are free to prepare after their check in. However, the players must enter the lobby at the agreed match time schedule.
6. In-game Lobby: A team must consist of 5 registered players to join the match. The Referee/Marshall will create the in-game lobby for the match. Both teams must be complete to start the match, once the in-game lobby is created; teams are given a maximum of 10 minutes default/pause time to join the in-game lobby. Failure to do so, Team that is complete will be declared as winner by default.
7. Pick/Ban Process: All teams will go through the coin toss to determine their picks and bans. The referee/marshall will ensure both teams are ready to enter the pick/ban phase after players of both teams have entered the in-game lobby. Once both teams are ready, the referee/marshall will start the game.
 - a. Wrong pick – if a team has picked/banned a hero by mistake, the game will still continue. There will be no remakes due to wrong pick/ban
 - b. Swapping heroes – if there is a mistake due to player negligence when swapping heroes, the match will still continue. Exchanging devices is not allowed under any circumstances.
8. Games starts after pick/ban phase: The game will immediately start after the pick/ban phase. Players are not allowed to leave the game in between the period after the pick/ban phase is complete until the games start. Coaches/Moderators and Substitute/6th Man must stay in the discord channel after the pick/ban phase.
9. Connection Problem: A team is given a maximum of 10 minutes pause/default time per match. Once consumed, no pause will be allowed during the match. Pauses are not allowed during a Hero fight or a team fight. It is the Team/Player's responsibility to ensure that their internet/data connection is good. If a problem occurs during game loading due to the presence of a bug, server disconnection or other errors and all players' fail to join the match. Then the game must be remade, with the same pick/ban heroes.

Tournament Referee/Marshal will be present as observers to pause the game if necessary.

10. Remake. Remakes can only happen for the following reason: Game Breaking Bugs. If an in-game bug occurs that can break the flow and balance of the game.

11. After game: Both teams have 5 minutes of rest time after every match, in which they can opt to not use, and then the next match will proceed if both teams agree.

Extreme Technical Difficulties

1. In the event of a technical difficulty which leads the League Officials to declare a restart, the Organizer may instead award a game victory to a team. If a game has been played for more than 5 minutes on the game clock (00:05:00), League Officials, at their sole discretion, may determine that a team cannot avoid defeat to a degree of reasonable certainty. The following criteria may be used in the determination of reasonable certainty:

2. The teams total net worth differences must exceed 800 x minute of the game. For example, 20 minutes into the game, Team A holds a net worth of 20,000 while Team B's net worth is 38,000. Difference in net worth is 18,000. $800 \times 20 \text{ minutes} = 16,000$. The difference in net worth 18,000 is greater than 16,000; hence Team B is deemed victory.

In the situation where the difference in net worth is less than 800 x minute, the game has to be remade, with the same pick/ban heroes.

D. TOURNAMENT STRUCTURE

- Type: Single Stage Tournament
- Format: Single Elimination - Best of 3 and Finals Best of 5



E. TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE:

No.	Date	City/Municipality
1	September 26, 2026	San Carlos City
2	September 27, 2026	Escalante City
3	October 3, 2026	Sagay City
4	October 4, 2026	Cadiz City
5	October 10, 2026	Victorias City
6	October 11, 2026	Silay City
7	October 17, 2026	Talisay City
8	October 18, 2026	Sipalay City
9	October 24, 2026	Kabankalan City
10	October 25, 2026	Himamaylan City
11	November 7, 2026	Bago City
12	November 8, 2025	La Carlota City
13	November 14, 2026	Cauayan
14	November 15, 2026	Hinobaan
15	November 21, 2026	Ilog
16	November 22, 2026	Candoni
17	November 28, 2026	Hinigaran
18	November 29, 2026	Binalbagan
19	December 5, 2026	Pontevedera
20	December 6, 2026	San Enrique
21	December 7, 2026	Isabela
22	December 8, 2026	La Castellana
23	December 9, 2026	Moises Padilla
24	December 10, 2026	Pulupandan
25	December 11, 2026	Valladolid
26	December 12, 2026	Murcia
27	December 13, 2026	Manapla
28	December 14, 2026	E.B Magalona
29	December 15, 2026	Calatrava
30	December 16, 2026	Toboso
31	December 17, 2026	Don Salvador Benedicto

E. GENERAL CONDUCT

Teams/Players are expected to conduct themselves and compete with the spirit of sportsmanship, maintaining a friendly and polite demeanour in activities involving other participants and the public in general.

Examples of players misconduct but not limited to:

- a. Profane and Hostile Speech
- a. Indecent, impolite or insulting actions or gestures
- The organizer has the right to apply penalties, disqualify and dismiss any registered player from the tournament, at their discretion, at any stage of the tournament.
- Cheating doesn't need to be successful to qualify as a violation. Conspiring to cheat is already a violation and will lead to an automatic disqualification for all conspirators.
- For any accusation, reports must be done during the match. Inform your game referee/marshals, Marshals shall request a technical pause and inform the tournament officials for the problem to be resolved. Accusations/Reports after the match has been concluded will not be entertained.

Changes to above rules:

- The Tournament Admin/Officials has the right to overrule any of the above rules. This is to avoid players trying to use a loophole in the rules to gain an unfair advantage.

Organizer Rights:

- The Organizer may overrule any of the rules mentioned above based on the situation on a case-by-case basis, at their discretion. The Organizer's decisions are final after the appeal process.

Final Right of Adjudication:

- The NOLITC Esports Organizing Committee has the right to amend or delete any of the above-mentioned content and reserves the final right of adjudication.

By joining 4th Governor's Cup Mobile Legends Bang Bang Esports Competition 2026-Teams/Players/Teacher/Coaches have agreed to the game mechanics mentioned above.