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# REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

No: 503.2025

# "HIMIG MAKABATA" JINGLE WRITING CONTEST

To: Assistant Regional Director Schools Division Superintendents School Governance and Operations Division Chiefs Division LRP Focal and Alternate Focal Persons All Others Concerned

1. In reference to OM-OUOPS-2025-11-03961, this office disseminates the launching of the *"Himig Makabata"* Jingle Writing Contest by the Council for the Welfare of Children (CWC) in support of the ongoing campaign to promote child rights and protection mechanisms.

2. The *"Himig Makabata"* Jingle Writing Contest invites learners to compose a compelling and memorable jingle that promotes child protection and awareness. The contest offers a meaningful opportunity to amplify the voice of learners to promote their rights.

3. Learners aged thirteen (13) to seventeen (17) from all public and private schools in the region and out-of-school youths are invited to join the contest. The deadline for submission of entries will be on July 30, 2025.

4. Attached to this Memorandum are OM-OUOPS-2025-11-03961 and the contest rules and mechanics for more information and for your reference and guidance.

5. For concerns or clarifications, please contact Georgina C. Ducayso, Education Support Services Division Chief, at car.essd@deped.gov.ph or Dalton S. Teliao, Project Development Officer II, through e-mail at dalton.teliao@deped.gov.ph.

6. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum is desired.

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ESSD/GCD/dst/mjp Himig Makabata Jingle July 10, 2025



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# OFFICE OF THE UNDERSECRETARY FOR OPERATIONS

**MEMORANDUM** OM-OUOPS-2025-<u>11</u>-0396

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FROM	*	MALCOLM S. GARMA Assistant Secretary, Officer-In-Charge Office of the Undersecretary for Operations	
SUBJECT	•	REQUEST FOR DISSEMINATION OF THE MAKABATA" JINGLE WRITING CONTEST	<b>"HIMIG</b>
DATE	*	July 7, 2025	

This has reference to the "Himig Makabata" Jingle Writing Contest launched by the Council for the Welfare of Children (CWC) in support of the ongoing campaign to promote child rights and protection mechanisms, particularly through the Makabata Helpline.

The Makabata Helpline serves as a national reporting and referral mechanism initially designed to assist children in situations of armed conflict. This initiative seeks to raise public awareness of the helpline's services and to foster creative and meaningful engagement among learners nationwide.

In line with this goal, the Learner Rights and Protection Division (LRPD) is mandated to lead a nationwide information dissemination campaign on the rights of learners against child abuse, exploitation, violence, discrimination, and bullying, and to empower them through accessible, appropriate, and safe reporting channels.

The "Himig Makabata" Jingle Writing Contest invites learners to compose a compelling and memorable jingle that promotes child protection and awareness of the helpline. This contest offers a meaningful opportunity to amplify the voices of learners to promote their rights and strengthen the advocacy for safe, nurturing, and inclusive learning environments.

In view of the foregoing, this Office requests the dissemination of the attached mechanics from the CWC to all public and private schools.

For the consideration of the Regional Directors.

[LRPD-MBB&CTC]



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# JINGLE WRITING CONTEST "HIMIG MANABATA"

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WHO CAN JOIN: STUDENTS AGED 13-17

REGISTER HERE: https://mkbthl1383.short.gy/jwchimig2025

> DEADLINE: JULY 30, 2025 | 12:00 NN

**1ST** - ₱50,000 PLAQUE + Certificate

> 2<sup>ND</sup> - P30,000 PLAQUE + CERTIFICATE

3<sup>RD</sup>- P10,000 PLAQUE + CERTIFICATE

Full contest mechanics available at:



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# Annex "A"

#### JINGLE WRITING CONTEST "Himig MAKABATA"

#### CONTEST RULES AND MECHANICS

#### 1. ELIGIBILITY

- The contest is open to children and youth aged 13 to 17 years. Both in-school and out-of-school children/youth may participate in the contest.
- Participation may be individual or in groups of up to three (3) members. Each group will be treated as one contestant under a collective name.
- Individuals with professional experience in songwriting, music production, or audio engineering are not eligible to join.

#### 2. THEME

- Entries must creatively express:
- The importance of child rights, protection, and empowerment; and
- The MAKABATA Helpline 1383 as a critical reporting and referral mechanism for child protection concerns.

#### 3. CATEGORIES

There will be one contest category open to all eligible participants, whether in-school or out-of-school-regardless of grade or school level, as long as they meet the age requirement.

#### **4. JINGLE SPECIFICATIONS**

- a. The jingle must be an original composition (lyrics and melody), created solely by the participant/s.
- b. Lyrics may be in Filipino, English, or a combination of both.
- d. The jingle must be lively, memorable, and relevant to the theme.
- d. Any genre is allowed.
- e. Duration must be between 60 to 90 seconds.
- f. The lyrics must be appropriate for all audiences. Entries containing offensive or inappropriate content will be disgualified.
- g. Any musical instrument may be used.
- h. Entries must be submitted in WAV format.
- i. Each submission must include the lyrics and a brief explanation (3–5 sentences) of the message behind the jingle.

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# 5. NUMBER OF ENTRIES

 Each participant or group may submit only one (1) entry. Duplicate entries or multiple submissions by the same individual/group will result in disqualification.

# 6. ORIGINALITY

- Participants must guarantee that their submission is 100% original.
- Entries must not have been previously published, submitted to other competitions, or contain plagiarized elements.
- All entries must comply with copyright and data privacy regulations.
- Upon submission, full rights and ownership of the material are transferred to the Council for the Welfare of Children (CWC).

#### 7. SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS AND DEADLINE

- Entries must be submitted via the official contest link: https://MKBTHL1383.short.gy/JWCHimig2025
- Submission must include:
- > The jingle file must be in WAV format
- > Typed lyrics
- > Short explanation of the message
- > Copy of a valid school ID and government-issued ID (if available)
- Deadline for Submission: July 30,2025 (Sunday) at 12:00 NN Late submissions will not be accepted.

# 8. JUDGING CRITERIA

Entries will be judged based on the following:

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<ul> <li>Originality         <ul> <li>Refers to the uniqueness of the composition. Judges will assess the jingle's creativity, innovation in lyrics and melody, and whether the piece stands out as an original work distinct from existing child rights-related msic.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	30%	9
<ul> <li>Relevance to Theme</li> <li>Measures how effectively the jingle communicates the themes of child rights, protection, and the role of the MAKABATA Helpline 1383. Judges will look for clarity and consistency of the message throughout the lyrics and overall tone</li> </ul>	30%	,
<ul> <li>Nusicality         <ul> <li>Evaluates the musical composition in terms of melody, harmony, rhythm, and overall arrangement. The jingle should be pleasant to hear, well-structured, and</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	20%	



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appropriate for a general audience, particularly children and youth.	
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<ul> <li>Assesses the emotional and advocacy power of the jingle. Entries should be compelling, resonate with listeners, and have the potential to inspire action or awareness regarding child protection and the importance of the MAKABATA Helpline 1383.</li> </ul>	5
TOTAL:	100%

- Judging will be conducted by a panel of judges, composed of experts in music, child rights and protection advocacy, communication and representatives from the Council for the Welfare of Children. The judges will screen all qualified entries and determine the winner based on the established criteria.
- The decision of the judges is final and irrevocable.

# 9. ANNOUNCEMENT OF FINALISTS AND WINNERS

- The Top 10 entries will be selected and announced during the 1st week of July 2025.
- Winners will be announced on the Council for the Welfare of Children (CWC) and MAKABATA Helpline 1383 Facebook pages, and during the Teleradyo program, which airs every Monday from 4:00 PM to livestream on the same pages. The program is also cross-posted on Radyo Pilipinas 1 Radyo Magasin at 1278 kHz.
- Winners will also be notified through their registered mobile numbers and email addresses.
- Winners will be awarded during the National Children's Month (NCM) celebration in November 2025, in coordination with PAIO for those from the National Capital Region (NCR), and with the Regional Sub-Committee for the Welfare of Children (RSCWC) for those from other regions.
- Winning participants or teams will be invited to receive their awards at the event.

## 10. PRIZES

PLACE	PRIZE
Grand Prize	Php 50,000.00 + Plaque + Certificate
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	Php 30,000.00 + Plaque + Certificate
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	Php 10,000.00 + Plaque + Certificate
Consolation (Top 10)	Php 2,500.00 + Certificate

Winning entries will be featured in CWC campaigns, and composers will be credited accordingly.

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# **11. OWNERSHIP AND RIGHTS**

- All entries become the property of the CWC.
- Winners agree that their jingle may be used, reproduced, modified, and distributed by the CWC without additional compensation.
- CWC reserves the right to credit composers in promotional materials.

# 12. DISQUALIFICATIONS

• Entries that violate the above rules, especially regarding originality, age eligibility, content standards, and submission format, will be disqualified.

## **13. INQUIRIES**

Questions may be directed to: Mr. Meanard M. Ilagan via email at milagan@cwc.gov.ph.

