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Department of Education
REGION VIII
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF BAYBAY CITY

Office of the Schools Division Superintendent

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DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. 850, s. 2026

**CONDUCT OF SCHOOL-BASED AND DISTRICT-BASED ACTIVITIES IN
CELEBRATION OF SCOUTING MONTH 2026**

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chief Education Supervisors, SGOD and CID
Cluster/District In-Charge Personnel
Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads
District and School BSP/GSP Coordinators, Unit Leader
All Others Concerned

1. Pursuant to the matters discussed during the recent Consultative Meeting on Scouting Activities, the Schools Division Office of Baybay City announces the school-based and district-based activities for Scouting Month 2026. The activities aim to develop leadership, teamwork, service, environmental responsibility, and civic participation among learners while ensuring that regular classes are not disrupted.
2. The following indicative schedules and arrangements shall guide schools and districts. The school-based and district-based clean-up are alternative implementation arrangements; schools are not required to conduct both. Schools and districts may select another suitable schedule, subject to coordination, necessary approvals, learner safety, and non-disruption of instructional time.

Activity	Schedule	Venue / Key Arrangement
Coastal and Environmental Clean-up	School-based: October 23 OR October 30, 2026, 4:00–5:00 p.m. or another approved date District-based: Preferably October 31, 2026,	Safe, approved coastal, riverbank, school, or community areas. District clean-up may serve as the culminating Jambo Rally service activity; coordinate



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	immediately after the District Jambo Rally, or another district-approved schedule.	assignments, supervision and proper waste disposal.
School-Based Scouting Activities	Mondays: participation in flag-raising; Fridays: flag-lowering; Fridays: appropriate Scouting skills and games during October 2026	Respective schools or Division Office, as applicable; schedules shall not displace instructional time.
District Jambo Rally and Scouting Month Culmination	October 31, 2026 (Saturday),	District-approved venue; coordinators shall communicate assembly time, selected events, and whether the clean-up follows the rally or is held on another date. Suggested BSP and GSP activities are provided in Enclosure No. 1.

- For the District-Based Scouting Jambo Rally and Scouting Month Culmination on October 31, 2026, districts may select appropriate activities from the suggested Boy Scouts of the Philippines (BSP) and Girl Scouts of the Philippines (GSP) activities in Enclosure No. 1. The enclosure is a menu of options, not a requirement to conduct every listed event. District Scouting Coordinators, in coordination with School Heads and Unit Leaders, shall determine the final activities, age-appropriate groupings, event mechanics, materials, venue, and sequence; communicate these arrangements to participating schools ahead of the rally; and implement applicable safety precautions. Fire-building, cooking, and first-aid carry demonstrations shall only be undertaken where suitable safety measures and competent adult supervision are available.
- Schools may conduct the clean-up either at school level or as part of a coordinated district activity. Schools and districts may use an alternative date or integrate the activity into an existing approved program, subject to School Head approval, coordination with the district when applicable, and non-disruption of classes.
- Schools that already conducted a comparable coastal or environmental clean-up in September 2026 in observance of World Coastal and Environmental Clean-up Day, need not conduct another clean-up in October solely to comply with this

Memorandum. Their September accomplishments shall be acknowledged under their actual implementation dates, not reported as newly conducted October activities. Schools that have not yet conducted a comparable activity are encouraged to implement one of the October options or an approved alternative date.

6. For clean-up activities not yet conducted, School Heads may mobilize BSP/GSP Scouts and Unit Leaders alongside Supreme Elementary Learner Government (SELG), Supreme Secondary Learner Government (SSLG), Youth for Environment in Schools Organization (YES-O), and other recognized environmental club officers and members. Project Development Officers (PDOs), Scouting Coordinators, and Club Advisers shall jointly coordinate participation and adult supervision. Membership in every organization is not a prerequisite to joining, and no school shall be required to repeat an earlier completed clean-up merely to include additional organizations.
7. The following responsibilities shall apply: (a) School Heads shall approve the school activity plan, site and schedule, designate adult supervisors, and ensure parental consent and other necessary permissions; (b) BSP/GSP Coordinators and Unit Leaders shall organize Scouts and Scouting activities; (c) PDOs and SELG/SSLG, YES-O and club advisers shall coordinate interested learner officers and club members; and (d) district coordinators shall arrange district-based activities and relay district culmination details. Community volunteers and barangay or local government partners may assist, subject to school coordination.
8. Before the clean-up, organizers shall check weather and site conditions, identify permitted collection areas, brief participants on waste segregation and hygiene, provide or arrange gloves and collection sacks, and establish an adult-to-learner supervision plan and emergency contact procedure. Learners shall not enter the sea or rivers, approach unstable banks or traffic areas, handle medical waste, sharp objects, chemicals or unknown hazardous materials, or use bolos or other dangerous cutting tools. Any hazardous items shall be left to appropriately trained personnel. Collected waste shall be transferred to an authorized collection or disposal point in coordination with the barangay or appropriate waste-management personnel.
9. Off-campus activities and activities involving minors shall comply with applicable DepEd learner safety and off-campus activity requirements, including advance approval and written parental/guardian consent when required. No learner shall be compelled to participate in an unsafe activity. Schools shall provide suitable alternatives when participation is not feasible. Appropriate Scouting uniforms may be worn for Scouting activities; for clean-up tasks, safe, comfortable clothing and protective equipment shall take priority.

10. School Heads shall avoid compulsory collections. Authorized and necessary expenses, if any, may be charged only to available eligible funding sources such as school MOOE, SEF/local support or duly authorized Scouting funds, subject to the permissible purpose of each fund and existing budgeting, procurement, accounting and auditing rules. Expenses and collections shall not be presumed authorized merely by issuance of this Memorandum.
11. Attendees to this activity are entitled to avail Service Credit or Compensatory Overtime Credit (COC) subject to existing guidelines on service credit and overtime compensation.
12. For documentation, each school shall prepare one Activity Completion Report (ACR) covering the Scouting Month activities it actually implemented, with the following minimum information: school and district; title and actual date/venue of each activity; participating organizations and number of participants; brief account of activities and outputs; safety measures undertaken; and captioned photos or other appropriate MOVs consistent with learner privacy. A school relying on a September clean-up shall attach or reference its existing September report/MOVs and clearly identify the September 2026 implementation date. Schools with no new October clean-up shall not be marked noncompliant for that reason alone.
13. School ACRs shall be transmitted to the Division BSP and GSP Coordinators through the officially communicated submission channel. To avoid inconsistent instructions, the Division shall communicate the specific submission link or receiving office and deadline separately before reports become due. Districts may consolidate school submissions for district activities, but shall avoid requiring duplicate school reports. Schools may coordinate with their respective Scouting Coordinators and PDOs for reporting clarifications.
14. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum are desired.

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Enclosures: as stated

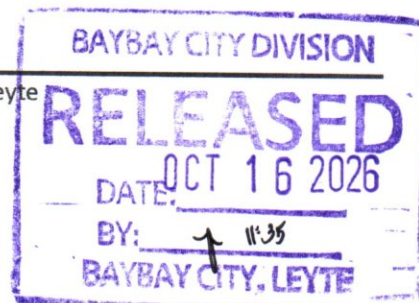
References: none

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index under the following subjects:

ENVIRONMENTAL ACTIVITIES LEARNER ORGANIZATIONS SCOUTING YOUTH FORMATION



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Enclosure No. 1 to Division Memorandum No. 850, s. 2026

**SUGGESTED ACTIVITIES FOR THE DISTRICT-BASED SCOUTING JAMBOO RALLY
AND SCOUTING MONTH CULMINATION 2026**

October 31, 2026 | Respective Districts / Approved Venues

Suggested BSP and GSP Activities

BSP – Suggested Activities	GSP – Suggested Activities
1. Raising the Contingent Banner	1. Raising the Contingent Banner
2. Troop Formation	2. Troop Formation
3. Song and Yell (2 minutes)	3. Song and Yell (2–3 minutes)
4. Basic Drill Commands	4. Crossing the Brook
5. Semaphore Flag Signaling	5. Three Must Songs
6. Scout Law Relay	6. Scout Law Relay
7. Compass Relay	7. Compass Relay
8. Knot Tying	8. Knot Tying
9. Sack Race	9. Sack Race
10. Obstacle Race	10. Longest Line
11. Message Relay	11. Message Relay
12. Tunnel Race	12. Fish Fanning
13. Basic First Aid (Bandaging): One-man carry; Two-man carry; Four-man carry	13. Basic First Aid (Bandaging): One-man carry; Two-man carry; Four-man carry
14. Centipede Race	14. Maria Went to Town
15. Tug of War	15. Coin Relay
16. Stoking Moon	16. Bottle Filling
17. Treasure Hunt	17. Kalamansi Relay
18. Map Reading	18. Tin Can Relay
19. Fire Building – Bamboo Cooking	19. Telling Direction
20. Kim's Game	20. Fire Building – Egg Frying
	21. Marble/Stone Relay

Implementation note: The list is suggested rather than compulsory. District organizers shall confirm the final program, event mechanics, age groupings, assigned facilitators, and required materials. Ensure adequate supervision and safety measures for cooking/fire activities, obstacle games, and first-aid carry demonstrations.