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**2025 TEN OUTSTANDING GURO AWARDS (TOGA) AND ADVOCACY TALKS OF
THE JUNIOR CHAMBER INTERNATIONAL (JCI) MANILA**

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chief Education Supervisor, Curriculum Implementation Division
OIC- Chief Education Supervisor, Schools Governance and Operations Division
All Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads/OICs
All Others Concerned

1. Attached is Regional Memorandum OM-OUOPS-2025-13-00627 dated February 6, 2025 on the above-captioned activity, the contents of which are self-explanatory, for the information and guidance of all concerned.
2. Each school will send five (5) teachers to the said activity, which will be held on Thursday, March 20, 2025 at 1:00-4:00 PM at the 4th Floor, Student Center for Life Skills Bldg., Centennial Ave., Brgy. Tunasan, Muntinlupa City.
3. Only teachers who will attend the activity can join the 2025 TOGA. Particular attention is invited to numbers 4 and 5 of page 3, for details.
4. The advocacy topics are Digital Literacy and Teacher's Empowerment.
5. Immediate information, wide dissemination of, and compliance of this memorandum is desired.


VIOLETA M. GONZALES

Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
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Encl: As stated
Reference: As stated
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MEMORANDUM
OM-OUOPS-2025-13-00627

TO : **ALL REGIONAL DIRECTORS**
ALL SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS
ALL SCHOOL HEADS
ALL OTHERS CONCERNED

FROM : **MALCOLM S. GARMA**
*Assistant Secretary, Officer-In-Charge,
Office of the Undersecretary for Operations*

SUBJECT : **2025 TEN OUTSTANDING GURO AWARDS (TOGA) AND
ADVOCACY TALKS OF THE JUNIOR CHAMBER
INTERNATIONAL (JCI) MANILA**

DATE : February 6, 2025

As the premier leadership development organization in Asia, Junior Chamber International (JCI) Manila has consistently spearheaded impactful projects for nation-building. Among their flagship initiatives is the **TEN OUTSTANDING GURO AWARDS (TOGA)**, a recognition program celebrating exemplary teachers who go above and beyond their call of duty.

The 2025 TOGA awarding ceremony will be tentatively held on June 21, 2025. As one of the requirements for joining TOGA, JCI will be conducting **Advocacy Talks** nationwide from **January to May 2025**. The activities will be conducted via online and on-site. The details of the requirements for joining the 2025 TOGA and the scheduled Advocacy Talks are stated in the attached documents.

In view of the foregoing, this Office respectfully endorses the 2025 TOGA and Advocacy Talks of the JCI Manila.

For updates on the 2025 TOGA and Advocacy Talks, teachers may access the JCI Facebook page through <https://www.facebook.com/share/1B1H2YrsD4/> or directly coordinate with the JCI TOGA Program's Project Manager, Mr. Mark Joshua Gotauco at 0917-5656-422 or via email at mjmgotauco@gmail.com (cc: external.partnerships@deped.gov.ph).

For dissemination.

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2025 Ten Outstanding Guro Awards (TOGA)

Details:

1. Dates of advocacy talks

- Advocacy talks will be conducted nationwide either online or onsite from January 2025 to May 2025.

2. Advocacy topics

- Financial Literacy
 - The talk focuses on understanding and effectively using various financial skills to empower individuals to make informed decisions about money, financial stability, and plan for the future.
- Digital Literacy
 - The talk explores the skills needed to live, learn, and work in a society increasingly reliant on digital technologies.
- Health Protection
 - The talk emphasizes the importance of safeguarding one's health through various strategies like preventive healthcare measures, lifestyle choices, and navigating the healthcare system.
- Teacher's Empowerment
 - The talk centers on providing teachers the support needed to excel in their profession and advocating for positive changes in the education system.

3. Speakers' profile

- Jason Pilonos
 - Topic: Financial Literacy
 - Financial literacy advocate
 - Family business and wealth advisor
 - Sun Life Unit Manager
 - 2021 Chairman for JCI Manila's Ten Outstanding Guro Awards
 - JCI Manila Commissioner
- Carlo Capacillo
 - Topic: Financial Literacy
 - 15-year experience as a Licensed Stockbroker engaged in Retail and Institutional
 - Licensed Financial Advisor and Certified Investment Solicitor
 - Engaged in Personal Finance Coaching and Investment seminars since 2007
 - Hosted Finance Manila in DZRJ 810 AM in 2010
 - Co-owner and President of Brooklyn's New York Pizza
- Prince Datu
 - Topic: Digital Literacy
 - Co-founder and coach of SPARK Learning and Development
 - Country Sales Manager – Insider
 - Former Global VP for Sales – Cloudswyft (a Microsoft eduTech ISV)
 - Co-founder – Luna Academy
 - 2020-2022 President – Impact Toastmasters Club
 - Enterprise Trainer and Sales Coach
 - Lifelong learner, explorer, tinkerer and gamer
 - Best BJC of 2022

- 2024 – 2025 Overall Commissioner for Training
 - JCIP Certified Gabay Trainer
 - 2024 Golden Titan Awardee for Most Outstanding Trainer
 - 2024 JCI Philippines Most Outstanding Trainer Nominee
- Marke Dexter Toribio
 - Topic: Health Protection
 - Unit Agency Manager at Maxicare HealthCare Corporation
 - 2019 JCI Manila Director for Community Development
- Mark Lester Toribio
 - Topic: Teacher's Empowerment
 - Professor in various universities namely, Far Eastern University, Arellano University, San Beda University, and University of Santo Tomas
 - Motivational Speaker
 - Certified Public Speaker
 - 2017 JCI Most Outstanding Trainer in the Philippines
 - 2021 Most Outstanding Associate of the Year
- 4. How participants can join the 2025 Ten Outstanding Guro Awards
 - Teachers who attend the advocacy talks can join in the 2025 Ten Outstanding Guro Awards.
- 5. Requirements/documents needed to apply for TOGA
 - The main requirements for candidates to join the 2025 Ten Outstanding Guro Awards are as follows:
 - Teachers must be currently teaching in either a public or private elementary school or high school.
 - Teachers must attend a TOG Advocacy Talk event of JCI Manila.
 - Teachers must at least have three (3) consecutive years of teaching.
 - Teachers must be licensed to teach with a valid PRC ID.
 - Teachers must submit a short description of themselves with a maximum of 300 words. Self-endorsement is allowed.
 - Teachers must submit three (3) testimonials, one testimonial from each of the following: student, co-worker, and parent of a student.
 - Teachers must not have a pending and/or past administrative/civil/criminal case.
 - Teachers must have a valid employee ID.
 - The additional requirements for candidates to join the 2025 Ten Outstanding Guro Awards are as follows:
 - Teachers must submit a completed application form given during the advocacy talks.
 - Teachers can submit an updated resume.
 - Teachers must submit a valid NBI Clearance upon passing of screening evaluation.
 - Teachers must be a Filipino citizen.
 - Teachers must be residing in the Philippines.
- 6. Tentative target date for Awarding Ceremony
 - The tentative target date for the Awarding Ceremony is on June 21, 2025.
- 7. Tentative schedule of Advocacy Sessions:

- Duration: 2 hours
- Program Flow:
 - Introduction
 - Talk 1
 - Presentation of JCI Manila and Mechanics for Ten Outstanding Guro Awards (TOGA)
 - Talk 2
 - Open Forum
 - Announcements & Closing

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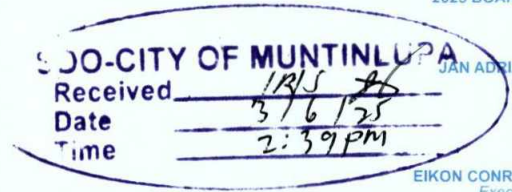
06 March 2025

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Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
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Thru: **VILMA S. VILORIA**
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Dear Dr. Gonzales,

Warmest greetings from **Junior Chamber International - Manila (JCI Manila)**!

CARLO MANUEL V. CHEN-DELANTAR
 Executive Treasurer

For over seven decades, **JCI Manila**, Asia's first and multi-awarded premier leadership development organization, has championed excellence in leadership and community service. Guided by the principles of servant-leadership, we are committed to uplifting lives through impactful projects that address the most pressing needs of our society.

ANDRE CHRISTOPHER C. BERNARDO
 Vice President, National Relations, Leadership, and Membership

In 2025, JCI Manila will be celebrating yet another milestone year with a series of events and projects that will bring together **leaders, changemakers, and partners** dedicated to driving positive change.

DINNO B. GO CEDENIO
 Vice President, Global Strategy and Corporate Affairs

One of our programs this year empowers teachers nationwide on personal development and recognizing exceptional teachers for their selfless service through an exclusive ceremony.

DIZON F. KWOK
 Vice President, Community Affairs

Now going on its 4th year, the **Ten Outstanding Guro Awards (TOGA)** has trained more than **4,500 teachers** through a series of **84 advocacy talks** conducted nationwide since 2021.

SEAN PATRICK Y. SI
 Director, Business & Local Organization Management

In 2025, the TOGA program continues to **conduct a series of advocacy talks which can be done either online or onsite to 1,000 teachers across Luzon, Visayas, and Mindanao from January to June 2025**, covering the following key areas:

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 Director, Community Development

- Financial Literacy – Practical strategies for budgeting, saving, investing, and managing personal finances.
- Digital Literacy – Enhancing digital skills for effective teaching, online safety, and navigating the digital landscape.
- Health Protection – Information and resources on maintaining physical and mental well-being, stress management, and healthy lifestyle choices.
- Teacher Empowerment – Strategies for professional growth, leadership development, and advocating for positive change within the education system.

NICOLAE ERIBERT A. SEVILLA
 Director, Membership Welfare

We believe that through our collaboration, we can amplify our collective efforts toward building a better community and nation by providing teachers with valuable

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insights and practical tools they can use in their daily lives and within their classrooms. Together, let us continue the tradition of **leadership, service, and excellence** that JCI Manila has upheld for decades.

We look forward to your favorable response and the opportunity to discuss this further. Should you have any questions or require additional details, please do not hesitate to reach out.

In the service of our country, we remain.

Yours sincerely,

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