



Republic of the Philippines  
Department of Education  
NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION

SCHOOLS DIVISION OFFICE OF MUNTINLUPA CITY

Office of the Schools Division  
Superintendent

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**MEMORANDUM**  
No. 393 , s. 2025

**AUTHORIZATION FOR THE VIEWING OF THE FILM THE SONG OF THE FIREFLIES  
IN PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS FOR  
EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES**

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

1. Attached is Regional Memorandum No. 694 s. 2025, dated July 31, 2025, on the above-captioned title, the contents of which are self-explanatory, for the information and guidance of all concerned.
2. Particular attention is invited to paragraph 2 of the said Memorandum.
3. Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

  
**VIOLETA M. GONZALES**

Assistant Schools Division Superintendent  
Officer-In-Charge  
Office of the Schools Division Superintendent

Reference:

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index under the following subjects

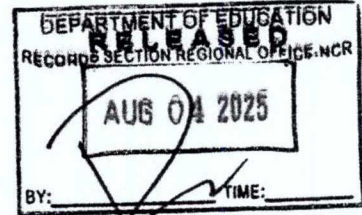
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**REGIONAL MEMORANDUM**

No. 694, s. 2025

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**To:** Schools Division Superintendents  
 RO Chiefs, Unit & Section Heads  
 CID & SGOD Chiefs  
 Public and Private Elementary and Secondary School Heads  
 All Others Concerned

**AUTHORIZATION FOR THE VIEWING OF THE FILM THE SONG OF THE FIREFLIES IN PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS FOR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES**

1. This is with reference to the attached Unnumbered Memorandum dated July 24, 2025, from ATTY. FATIMA LIPP D. PANONTONGAN, Undersecretary and Chief of Staff, regarding the film **The Song of the Fireflies** which tells the story of the Loboc Children's Choir, an ensemble of children from remote and idyllic town in Bohol who was guided by a devoted teacher-trainer, discover their potential through music. The Film portrays how young people can overcome adversity through passion, talent, and community support.
2. In this connection, the DepEd allows the learners of suitable age and maturity to view the film under the discretion and guidance of school heads and teachers. Such viewings shall be in accordance with existing DepEd policies, including but not limited to the **No Collection Policy**.
3. For guidance and appropriate action.

*WJ*  
**JOCELYN DR ANDAYA**  
 Regional Director, NCR  
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 Assistant Secretary for Operations

Encl.:  
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**MEMORANDUM**

TO : **ALL REGIONAL DIRECTORS  
ALL SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS  
ALL PUBLIC AND PRIVATE ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY  
SCHOOL HEADS  
ALL OTHERS CONCERNED**

FROM : **ATTY. FATIMA LIPP D. PANONTONGAN**  
Undersecretary and Chief of Staff

SUBJECT : **AUTHORIZATION FOR THE VIEWING OF THE FILM THE  
SONG OF THE FIREFLIES IN PUBLIC AND PRIVATE  
SCHOOLS FOR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES**

DATE : **July 24, 2025**

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The Department of Education (DepEd) recognizes the transformative power of music and the resilience of Filipino youth.

Inspired by true events, the film **The Song of the Fireflies** tells the story of the Loboc Children's Choir, an ensemble of children from a remote and idyllic town in Bohol who, guided by a devoted teacher-trainer, discover their potential through music. The Film portrays how young people can overcome adversity through passion, talent, and community support.

With its rich educational themes, the film offers meaningful opportunities to enhance classroom discussions in values education, music, and Filipino culture.

In this regard, DepEd finds it appropriate to allow learners of suitable age and maturity to view the film under the discretion and guidance of school heads and teachers. Such viewings shall be conducted in accordance with existing DepEd policies, including but not limited to the **No Collection Policy**.<sup>1</sup>

For your guidance and appropriate action.

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<sup>1</sup> DepEd Order No. 19, s. 2008, Implementation of No Collection Policy in All Public Elementary and Secondary Schools