



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
REGION IX, ZAMBOANGA PENINSULA
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF DAPITAN CITY

Office of the Schools Division Superintendent

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DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. 494, s. 2025

INVITATION TO SUBMIT ENTRIES FOR THE 2025 GAWAD TEODORA ALONSO (GTA) COMPETITION

TO: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chief Education Supervisors – CID/SGOD
Education Program Supervisors
PSDSs/PICDs
Elementary/Secondary School Heads
Elementary/Secondary Teachers
All Others Concerned

1. Pursuant to Department Memorandum No. 481, series of 2025 re: Conduct of Division Level Screening and Selection for the Gawad Teodora Alonso (GTA) 2025 Competition from July to August 2025. DepEd Dapitan City through the Curriculum Implementation Division under the leadership of the Learning Resource Management System (LRMS) joins the 2025 Gawad Teodora Alonso Competition by inviting writer enthusiast for the submission of their original storybook entries.
2. The activity aims to;
 - a. promote story and illustrated storybook writing to develop reading and curricular content skills, recognize talents of teachers and personnel;
 - b. encourage talented teachers and personnel to showcase their creative skills in writing stories and contribute to the world of children's literature;
 - c. inspire children to develop a love for reading by creating engaging and imaginative storybooks that capture their interests;
 - d. identify and recognize exceptional storybooks that demonstrate outstanding writing, illustration, and storytelling; and
 - e. support education by providing engaging and informative storybooks that can be used in classrooms and homes to enhance learning.
3. This is open to DepEd classroom teachers, non-teaching personnel, private school or non-DepEd teachers, and education leaders. Stories and illustration of all entries should be anchored on the existing curriculum.
4. Hereunder are the main categories and special categories of the 2025 Gawad Teodora Alonso:

Main categories (eligible for GTA and GFA Honor Roll)

 - C1 Chapter Book for Young Adults
 - C2 Comic Books



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Special categories

- C3 Thematic Storybooks
 - C4 Loday Storytelling Sessions
 - C5 Untold Kuwento ng Bayan Ko
 - C6 Stories for Young Readers by Young Writers
5. Stories must be written in Filipino. For Grades 1 to 3 storybooks, the entries must be presented in diglot form, with Filipino as non-negotiable language. Options are: 1) Filipino and mother tongue 2) Filipino and English.
 6. As to the submission of GTA entries we invite interested participants to have it uploaded through this link <https://tinyurl.com/2025StoryBookWriting> on or before August 19, 2025.
 7. To ensure guidance on the mechanics and specifications of the contest categories, you may refer Department Memorandum No. 481, s. 2025 for the General Guidelines and Standards.
 8. For queries and clarification, you may contact the Learning Resource Management System (LRMS) Project Development Officer (PDO) II, Ruby V. Paguntalan at 09505664380.
 9. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

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