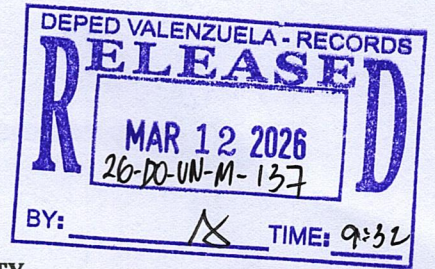




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Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION
SCHOOLS DIVISION OFFICE OF VALENZUELA CITY



**Office of the Schools Division
Superintendent**

March 10, 2026

To: Public and Private Elementary and Secondary Schools Heads

Dear Sirs/Mesdames:

This is in reference to the attached Regional letter from Jocelyn DR. Andaya, Regional Director-NCR, Concurrent Officer-in-charge, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Operations, dated March 5, 2026, regarding the invitation for the participation of schools in the GFTA Player of the Year award, which is an initiative aimed at recognizing the outstanding sportsmanship and dedication of our student-athletes.

Relative to this, school heads are requested to give special attention to the attached contest mechanics, nomination specifics, and criteria for judging. These guidelines, provided by our regional communication and Redscope partners' letters, are attached for your information, guidance, and reference.

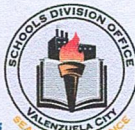
Thank you.

Very truly yours,

NOEL D. BAGANO
Schools Division Superintendent *[Signature]*

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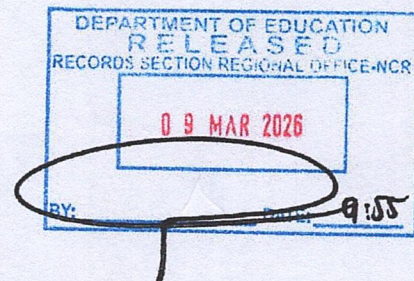


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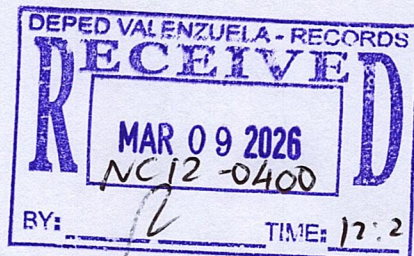


Republic of the Philippines
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NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION



March 5, 2026

To: Schools Division Superintendents



Dear **Sirs/Mesdames**:

Attached is a copy of letter from SARAH CUNANAN-COE, President, Redscope Communications, Inc., re: invitation for the participation of schools in the *GFTA Player of the Year Award* which aims to recognize the outstanding achievements, sportsmanship and dedication of the student-athletes, for appropriate action.

Deadline of submission of entries to Redscope is extended until **March 16, 2026**. Attached is the contest mechanics, criteria for judging and nomination forms, for reference.

For inquiries and clarification, please contact Ms. Sarah Cunanan-Coe through telephone number 8-925-0573 .

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

JOCELYN DR ANDAYA
Regional Director, NCR
Concurrent Officer-In-Charge, Office of the
Assistant Secretary for Operations

Encl.:
As stated.

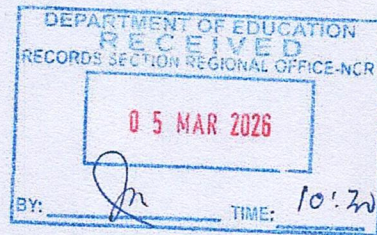
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27 February 2026

JOCELYN DR ANDAYA
ASSISTANT SECRETARY
OIC REGIONAL DIRECTOR
DEPED NCR
QUEZON CITY



SUBJECT: Invitation and Deadline Extension for the GFTA Player of the Year Award

Dear Asec. Andaya,

Greetings of peace and excellence!

I am writing on behalf of the GFTA Player of the Year Award Committee to provide an update on the **GFTA Campaign**, which we proudly launched last year to champion the development of our student-athletes. As a major component and culminating highlight of this ongoing campaign, we are currently hosting the **GFTA Player of the Year Award** to recognize the outstanding achievements, sportsmanship, and dedication of our youth. To truly celebrate this milestone and reward excellence, a **total prize of 1 Million Pesos awaits our grand prize winner.**

Knowing that the National Capital Region is home to some of the most exceptional young talents in the country, we humbly request your continued support in disseminating this information. We hope to encourage the various schools and division offices under DepEd NCR to actively participate and nominate their deserving students for this prestigious recognition.

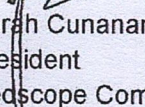
To give our schools ample time to prepare their requirements and select their best candidates, we are pleased to announce that **the deadline for the submission of entries to Redscope has been officially extended to March 16, 2026.**

For your easy reference, we have attached the official mechanics, criteria for judging, and nomination forms.

We look forward to seeing more student-athletes motivated to achieve excellence in sports and in the classroom through this award. If you have any questions or would like to schedule a brief presentation, please do not hesitate to reach out to me at my contact information provided below or

Thank you very much for your continuous support of our youth development programs. We look forward to partnering with DepEd NCR once again in celebrating our young athletes.

Respectfully,


Sarah Cunanan-Coe
President
Redscope Communications, Inc.

TO BE CASCADED STRICTLY FOR GFTA T2 SCHOOLS ONLY

FUEL TOMORROW ACADEMY

PLAYER OF THE YEAR AWARD 2025-2026
GUIDELINES AND MECHANICS CASCADE
FEB 6, 2026

PEOPLE IN THE ROOM

FROM REDSCOPE COMMUNICATIONS INC

- MS. SARAH COE
- DR. WEE PIATOS
- MS. ANNA ENRIQUEZ - SR PROJECT MANAGER
- MS FAYE CABRERA - PROJECT MANAGER
- MS. MHAEL DELOS SANTOS - ASST PROJECT MANAGER

FROM DEPED CENTRAL OFFICE: MS. MARIVIC TOLITOL, MR LEMUEL

FROM REGION:

- I:
- II:
- III:
- IVA:
- NCR
- CAR

I. OVERVIEW

The Gatorade Fuel Tomorrow Academy (GFTA) Fuel of the Year Initiative recognizes the learner who best exemplifies holistic development, aligned with the GFTA's mission to fuel the mind, body, and spirit through sport. Specifically, this undertaking aims to:

- Identify learners who demonstrate strong values, character, sportsmanship, and leadership;
- Develop standards for evaluating learners using the holistic criteria of fueling the mind, body, and spirit;
- Recognize and reward learners who meet and exceed these standards;



- Promote healthy habits among learners, including proper hydration, nutrition, hygiene, and physical activity;
- Implement a fair and transparent selection process at all DepEd governance levels (School, Division, Regional, and National).

II. ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENT

To be eligible for the award, the nominee must meet the following criteria:

- Must be an active member of a school sports club or varsity program for at least three (3) consecutive months within the current school year
- Must demonstrate good moral character, supported by a certification from the School Head or Guidance Counselor
- Must have no failing grade in any subject
- Must have no falling grade in any subject and must maintain a general average of at least 85% in the latest grading period
- Must be strictly enrolled in a public Junior or Senior High School (Grades 7-12) within the 500 participating Fuel Tomorrow Academy (T2) schools for S.Y. 2025-2026
- Must have participated in school, division, regional, or national-level athletic events within the current school year
- Must have contributed to their community or school through outreach, leadership, volunteerism, or related advocacy activities

III. NOMINATION AND SELECTION GUIDELINES

Level 1: SCHOOL LEVEL

1. Only one (1) learner per school may be nominated by the School Principal, Coach, or Sports Coordinator using the official nomination form.
2. The following documents must be submitted in a sealed envelope to the designated DIVISION OFFICE REPRESENTATIVE (arranged accordingly as per list of requirement):

- Duly accomplished Nomination Form (see enclosure).
- Updated School Form 9 (Learner's Progress Report Card).
- Official Nomination Letter from the Coach or Teacher.
- Peer Testimonial (at least one).
- Proof of GFTA Manual Download (Screenshot of the nominating coach/school's download).
- Certificate of Good Moral Character.
- Other Means of Verification (MOVs) such as photos, attendance sheets, or a brief video introduction (optional).

III. NOMINATION AND SELECTION GUIDELINES

Level 2: DIVISION LEVEL



1. **CONVENE & DELIBERATE**
The Division Office Representatives shall convene to deliberate on the entries submitted by the schools.



2. **SELECT TOP THREE (3) NOMINEES**
The Division shall select the Top Three (3) nominees.



3. **SUBMIT TO REGIONAL OFFICE**
These three (3) nominations must be submitted to the REGIONAL OFFICE (RO) in a sealed envelope by deadline.

III. NOMINATION AND SELECTION GUIDELINES

Level 3: REGIONAL LEVEL

1. CONVENE & DELIBERATE



The Regional Office Representatives shall convene to deliberate on the entries submitted by the Division Offices.

2. ENDORSE TOP TWO (2) NOMINEES



The Region shall officially endorse the Top Two (2) nominees to the National GFTA Program Committee.

3. SUBMIT TO REDSCOPE



These two (2) nominations must be submitted to the REDSCOPE COMMUNICATIONS INC in a sealed envelope by deadline.

Level 4: NATIONAL LEVEL (FINAL SCREENING)

1. The GFTA Program Committee shall evaluate and screen the regional finalists using a scorecard aligned with the established criteria. The panel is composed of the following:



Dr. Paulyn Jean RoseB-Ublal
TWG Chairperson for Public Health Program, Redscope Communications



Dr. Mariblanca Cornelia Platos
External Affairs Officer, Redscope Communications Inc.



Prof. Francis 'Kiko' Diaz
Former Dean, UP College of Human Kinetics



Mr. Patrick Gregorio
Chairman, Philippine Sports Commission

2. The decision of the GFTA Program Committee and the Board of Judges shall be final, non-appealable, and executory. No correspondence or inquiries regarding the final results will be entertained.

FUEL THE MIND: Academic Excellence and Intellectual Engagement (30%)

CRITERIA	INDICATORS	MEANS OF VERIFICATION
Academic Excellence (50 pts)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gen. Average (98% & above): 50 pts Gen. Average (91%-98%): 40 pts Gen. Average: (88%-90%): 30 pts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School Certification School Card
Academic Activity Engagement (30 pts) <i>Ex: Quiz Bee, Science Fair, Robotics, Math Wizard, etc</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Top 3 Winner in any academic activity (National/International Level): 30 pts Top 3 winner in any academic activity (Regional Level): 20 pts Top 3 winner in any academic activity (Division Level): 15 pts Champion in any academic activity (School Level): 10 pts Participation in any academic activity: 5 pts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Certification Trophy Medals Photos
Club Membership (20 pts)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Active membership in any academic clubs and organizations: 10 pts Holds a position in the academic clubs or organizations: 5 pts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Club Facilitator certification Photos Club ID (if there's any)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Active membership in 2 or more academic clubs and organizations: 15 pts Holds a position in the academic clubs or organizations: 5 pts 	

FUEL THE BODY: Physical Readiness and Healthy Habits (50%)

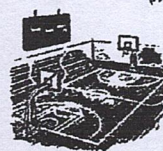
CRITERIA	INDICATORS	MEANS OF VERIFICATION
Active participation in school sports club and varsity programs/competition (40 pts)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Membership in any sports club or varsity program: 10 pts Participation in any sports club activity (Division/Regional Level): 10 pts Participation in any sports competition (Division/Regional Level): 10 pts Participation in any sports competition (National Level): 10 pts 	Active participation in school sports club and varsity programs/competition (40 pts)
Physical Fitness Improvement (30 pts)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Upper 50% of the class in most, if not all, of the tests: 10 pts Upper 30% of the class in most, if not all, of the tests: 20 pts Upper 10% of the class in most, if not all, of the tests: 30 pts <p><i>*Please refer to DepEd Order No. 34, series 2010 (Revised Physical Fitness Test Manual)</i></p>	Physical Fitness Improvement (30 pts)
Promotion of physical activities to peers (30 pts)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Initiated a program/activity/drive that promotes physical activity/ sports promotion: 10 pts 	Promotion of physical activities to peers (30 pts)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Active in promoting physical activity/ sports participation in any social media platforms: 10 pts An inspiration to peers in engaging to an active and healthy lifestyle: 10 pts 	

FUEL THE SOUL: Integrity, Balance, and Holistic Growth (20%)

CRITERIA	INDICATORS	MEANS OF VERIFICATION
Honesty & Integrity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Submits original work and avoids any form of dishonesty: 25 pts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Portfolio of Original work(s) Certification Narrative with photos Stories with photos Peer testimonials
Time Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Manages time effectively between studies and extracurricular activities: 25 pts 	
Inspiration & Positivity Model	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Encourages and uplifts others in academic settings: 25 pts 	
Resilient Pursuit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recovers from setbacks and continues to strive for excellence: 25 pts 	

GRAND PRIZE WINNER (1 WINNER)

Gatorade Fuel Tomorrow Player of the Year title



Php 850,000.00
basketball court or sports facilities renovation for his/her school



Php 100,000.00
coaching/academic grant for school coach



Php 150,000.00
cash grant, plus Gatorade gear for the learner



1 year supply
of Gatorade powder

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V. RECOGNITION AND AWARD PACKAGES



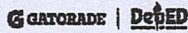
1st Runner-Up (1 WINNER)
Php 25,000.00 cash grant & Gatorade gears
1 year supply of Gatorade powder



2nd Runner-Up
Php 15,000.00 cash grant & Gatorade gears
1 year supply of Gatorade powder

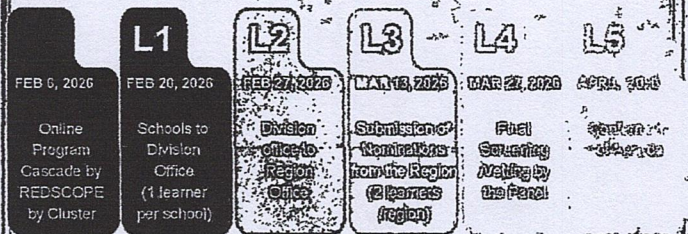


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Php 5,000.00 Gatorade gear pack
1 year supply of Gatorade powder



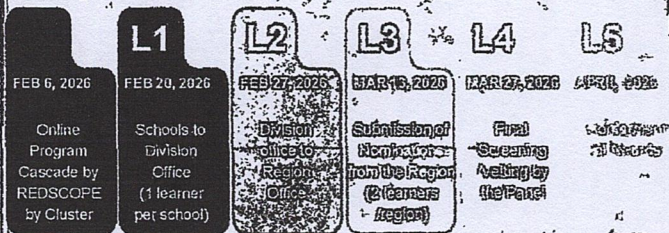
VI. TIMELINE

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**GFTA PLAYER OF THE YEAR 2025-2026
NOMINATION PACKET**

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FROM : _____

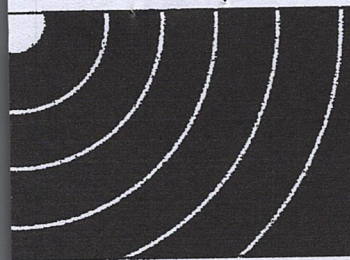
NAME & SIGNATURE OF REPRESENTATIVE: _____

CONTACT DETAILS: _____

DATE & TIME RECEIVED: _____

BY: _____

THANK YOU



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**GATORADE FUEL TOMORROW ACADEMY
PLAYER OF THE YEAR AWARD 2025-2026
WELCOME PACKET**



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06 February 2026

To: School Heads, Coaches, Sports Coordinators, and Members of the School Selection Committee

Warm greetings!

The Gatorade Fuel Tomorrow Academy (GFTA) proudly welcomes your school to the Player of the Year Award 2025–2026, a flagship recognition program that honors learners who exemplify holistic excellence in mind, body, and soul through sports.

This award seeks to recognize student-athletes who not only perform in competition, but who also demonstrate academic discipline, integrity, leadership, resilience, and service to their school and community. Through this initiative, GFTA reinforces its commitment to developing well-rounded learners who embody the values of sportsmanship, healthy living, and positive youth leadership.

We invite your school to nominate one (1) outstanding learner who best represents the ideals of the Fuel Tomorrow Academy. Enclosed in this Welcome Packet are the official guidelines, submission checklist, nomination form, and score sheet to guide you through a fair and transparent selection process.

We look forward to celebrating the next generation of champions—not just in sport, but in life.

With our deepest appreciation for your partnership,

The Gatorade Fuel Tomorrow Academy Program Committee

GATORADE FUEL TOMORROW ACADEMY PLAYER OF THE YEAR AWARD 2025–2026

CHECKLIST OF REQUIREMENTS

(School Level Submission – Level 1)

📌 Please ensure that all documents are complete before submission. Incomplete submissions may result in disqualification.

✂️ **REQUIRED DOCUMENTS** (To be submitted in a sealed envelope. Please refer to the proper labeling below)

- Duly Accomplished Official Nomination Form
- Updated School Form 9 (Learner's Progress Report Card)
- Official Nomination Letter from the Coach, Teacher, or Sports Coordinator
- Peer Testimonial (at least one)
- Proof of GFTA Manual Download
 - Screenshot of the nominating coach's or school's download
- Certificate of Good Moral Character
 - Issued by the School Head or Guidance Counselor

✂️ **OPTIONAL SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS (MOVs)**

- Photos (academic, sports, outreach activities)
- Certificates, medals, trophies
- Attendance sheets
- Brief video introduction (optional)

📌 **Submission To: Designated Division Office Representative**

📅 **Deadline: February 20, 2026**

ENVELOPE LABELING:

GFTA PLAYER OF THE YEAR 2025-2026 NOMINATION PACKET	
TO :	
FROM: :	
NAME OF SCHOOL:	
NAME & SIGNATURE OF REPRESENTATIVE:	
CONTACT DETAILS:	
DATE & TIME RECEIVED:	
BY:	

GATORADE FUEL TOMORROW ACADEMY PLAYER OF THE YEAR AWARD 2025–2026

OFFICIAL NOMINATION FORM

GFTA – Player of the Year Award 2025–2026

A. NOMINEE INFORMATION

- Full Name of Learner: _____
- Grade Level: _____
- School Name: _____
- School Address: _____
- Region / Division: _____
- Sports Club / Varsity Team: _____
- Years of Participation: _____

B. NOMINATOR INFORMATION

- Name of Nominator: _____
- Designation: School Head Coach Sports Coordinator Teacher
- Contact Number: _____
- Email Address: _____

C. SHORT NARRATIVE (Maximum 300 words)

1. Why does the learner deserve to be GFTA Player of the Year?

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OFFICIAL NOMINATION FORM

GFTA – Player of the Year Award 2025–2026

2. How does the learner exemplify Fueling the Mind, Body, and Soul?

D. CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that all information and documents submitted are true, accurate, and verifiable, and that the nominee meets all eligibility requirements of the GFTA Player of the Year Award.

Signature of School Head: _____

Name & Designation: _____

Date: _____

Note:

GATORADE FUEL TOMORROW ACADEMY PLAYER OF THE YEAR AWARD 2025–2026

OFFICIAL SCORE SHEET

(For Division, Regional, and National Screening)

A. FUEL THE MIND – Academic Excellence (30%)

Indicator	Max Pts	Score
Academic Excellence (General Average)	50	
Academic Competitions & Engagement	30	
Academic Club Membership & Leadership	20	
Subtotal – Fuel the Mind	100	

B. FUEL THE BODY – Physical Readiness & Healthy Habits (50%)

Indicator	Max Pts	Score
Sports Participation & Competition	40	
Physical Fitness Improvement (PFT)	30	
Promotion of Physical Activity to Peers	30	
Subtotal – Fuel the Body	100	

C. FUEL THE SOUL – Integrity & Holistic Growth (20%)

Indicator	Max Pts	Score
Honesty & Integrity	25	
Time Management	25	
Inspiration & Positivity	25	
Resilient Pursuit of Excellence	25	
Subtotal – Fuel the Soul	100	

D. FINAL SCORING SUMMARY

Category	Weight	Score
Fuel the Mind	30%	
Fuel the Body	50%	
Fuel the Soul	20%	
TOTAL SCORE	100%	

Evaluator's Name & Signature: _____

Date: _____

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- Only one (1) learner per school may be nominated.
- Decisions of the National GFTA Program Committee are final and non-appealable.
- All submissions must strictly follow deadlines per governance level.