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FOR: THE UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY

FROM: GIANNE KATHLEEN S DELA CRUZ
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RE: SANCTIONED TOURNAMENTS AND UPCOMING SPORTS EVENTS

In line with our mission to Advance Ignatian Spirituality and Dedicated to Holistic Growth and Human Flourishing, the University Athletics Office forms student-athletes who embody excellence, leadership, and service. These are the only sanctioned tournaments that will serve as platforms for holistic development and character formation. Participation in these events is not merely about winning games but about living out our identity as **Azul Aguilas**—individuals committed to sportsmanship, teamwork, and integrity on and off the court.

All events are supervised by the University Athletics Office in coordination with the respective Unit Sports Coordinators and Unit Heads.

Sanctioned Sports Events:

1. DepEd Sanctioned Tournaments

Private Schools Zamboanga City Athletic Association (PSZCAA)

The PSZCAA is a major local league that provides competitive opportunities for our athletes while strengthening camaraderie among private schools in the city.

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Zamboanga City Division Athletic Association Meet (ZCDAA)

The ZCDAA is an annual sports competition where athletes from different clusters within the Zamboanga City Division compete to qualify for the Zamboanga Peninsula Regional Athletic Association (ZPRAA) Meet.

Zamboanga Peninsula Regional Athletic Association (ZPRAA)

The ZPRAA is an annual sports competition for elementary and high school athletes from the Zamboanga Peninsula region in the Philippines.

Palarong Pambansa

The Palarong Pambansa is an annual multi-sport event bringing together student-athletes from across the Philippines, serving as the culmination of competitions that begin with local intramurals and progress through district, provincial, and regional meets.

2. Catholic Educational Association of the Philippines (CEAP) Sports and Cultural Meet

A regional and Mindanao-wide tournament that gathers Catholic schools across region 9 and Mindanao, promoting excellence, faith-based formation, and healthy competition among student-athletes.

3. Jesuit Athletic Meet (JAM)

A national-level tournament among Jesuit schools in the Philippines, designed to foster friendship, Ignatian values, and athletic development.

Other Invitational Games and Friendly Matches

In addition to sanctioned tournaments, the university teams may engage in friendly games and invitational competitions throughout the year to further enhance performance and build meaningful connections with other institutions.

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Future invitations, sports not mentioned in this circular, and continued participation in the listed tournaments are subject to the evaluation and recommendation of the University Athletics Office, endorsed by the Unit Director for Formation and the approval of the University President.

We encourage the entire Ateneo de Zamboanga University community to support and cheer for our Azul Aguilas as they proudly represent ADZU in these upcoming events. Your support inspires our athletes to strive for excellence both on and off the playing field.

Thank you for your continued commitment to the growth and success of our student-athletes.

*For **His** glory.*

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