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In compliance with DepEd Order (DO) No. 8, s. 2013  
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#### SEARCH FOR *ANG BATANG MATIBAY* 2023 AWARDS

The Department of Education (DepEd), through its External Partnerships Service (EPS), in partnership with Nestle Philippines Inc. (NPI)-Bear Brand® Fortified Powdered Filled Milk Drink, signed a Memorandum of Agreement in January 2021 and a Supplemental Agreement in December 2021. One of the provisions of the said Agreement pertains to the *Ang Batang Matibay* Awards. This is in line with the *Laki sa Tibay* 2.0 Program that promotes school nutrition education for parents, teachers, and learners.

*Ang Batang Matibay* Awards aims to honor grade school learners who have demonstrated resilience amidst adversities in life. For School Year (SY) 2022–2023, DepEd and NPI, through the EPS shall award 10 *Ang Batang Matibay* learners, who will be selected from the 16 regions. *Ang Batang Matibay* 2023 Awards shall observe the following schedule:

<b>Date</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Office/Company Responsible</b>
May 10–June 30, 2023	Submission of Bear Brand® <i>Batang Matibay</i> 2023 Nominations	All public elementary schools nationwide
July 2023	Screening and deliberations for Bear Brand® <i>Batang Matibay</i> 2023 Nominations	DepEd and Nestle Philippines Inc.
August-September 2023	Announcement of the Bear Brand® <i>Batang Matibay</i> 2023 Awardees	DepEd, Nestle Philippines Inc., and Food and Drug Administration
September-October 31, 2023	Bear Brand® <i>Batang Matibay</i> 2023 Awards Ceremony	Nestle Philippines Inc.

The search is open to all Grades 5 and 6 learners from public schools nationwide.

Participation to this activity is subject to the no-disruption-of-classes policy provided under DepEd Order No. 9, s. 2005 titled Instituting Measures to Increase Engaged Time-on Task and Ensuring Compliance Therewith.

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