



PSD 7's7 Competes at Doha College Battle of the Bands by Keizha Nunez

Representing Philippine School Doha, PSDian Band 7's7 consisting of **Alijah Abrenica**, **Yochabel Reynes**, **Aaron Enriquez**, **Jean Jaucian**, **Codie Gonzales**, **Princess Gonzales**, and **Romar Manaois**, took part in Doha College's annual National Battle of the Bands competition held in Doha College British International School on June 18, 2025.

The competition consisted of 13 bands representing their respective schools, namely, Oryx International School, International School of London, GEMS American Academy, Park House English School, Qatar Energy Mesaieed International School, Doha College, Doha British School Ain Khaled, Hamilton International School, King's College Doha, Doha English Speaking School, Swiss International School Qatar, Qatar Energy Dukhan English School, and Philippine School Doha. The following bands were hailed as winners alongside special awardees:

Award	Band and School
Champion	Legit - Doha English Speaking School
2nd Place	Melomaniac - Hamilton International School
3rd Place	Fenderbenderz - GEMS American Academy
Rock Legends Award	7's7 - Philippine School Doha
Rising Star Award	Unspeakable Sundays - Doha British School Ain Khaled

7's7 members, who received the Rock Legends Award, shared their experience in their first national level band battle, highlighting that while they were nervous initially, the fear eased as they stepped foot on stage. They shared,

“We felt nervous during preparations, especially as we are going against the whole school but as soon as we got onstage and started performing, we really had fun and all the nervousness went away.”

Furthermore, they emphasized the contest as an opportunity for them to showcase their collective craft in music. They added,

“This national level battle of the bands was a huge opportunity for us to show our talents and represent our school, so we proudly took on the challenge of competing here.”

Doha College National Battle of the Bands is an annual competition that began ten years ago and features several bands representing their schools in an effort to showcase their musical talents and compete against one another, with no set theme for their song selections.

The band's success in the competition showcases their passion for performing and capturing the attention of their audience, securing them a stand out spot in the contest.