



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
REGION VI – WESTERN VISAYAS
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF AKLAN

June 18, 2026

DIVISION MEMORANDUM
No. 345, s. 2026

STRENGTHENED SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL CURRICULUM

To: Chief Education Supervisors
Education Program Supervisors
Principals In-charge of the District
Public Schools District Supervisors
Head Teacher In-Charge of the District
School Heads of Public Elementary, Secondary and Integrated Schools
All Others Concerned

1. Attached is Regional Memorandum No. 596, s. 2026 dated June 16, 2026 regarding the Strengthened Senior High School Curriculum.
2. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

FOR THE SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENT:

MICHAEL T. RAPIZ
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Schools Governance and Operations Division
In-charge of the Division

Enclosure: As stated
Reference: R.M. No. 596, s. 2026
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REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

No. 596, s. 2025

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To: Schools Division Superintendents
All Others Concerned

1. Attached is DepEd Order No. 017, s. 2026 titled Strengthened Senior High School Curriculum, which is self-explanatory.
2. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum are desired.


CRISTITO A. ECO, CESO III
Regional Director

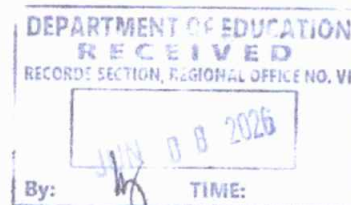
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DepEd ORDER
No. **017**, s. 2026

STRENGTHENED SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL CURRICULUM

To: Undersecretaries
Assistant Secretaries
Minister, Basic, Higher, and Technical Education, BARMM
Bureau and Service Directors
Regional Directors
Schools Division Superintendents
Public and Private Secondary School Heads
State/Local Universities and Colleges Heads
All Others Concerned

1. The senior high school (SHS), established under Republic Act No. 10533 (Enhanced Basic Education Act of 2013), aims to prepare learners for higher education, employment, entrepreneurship, and middle-level skills development. However, upon its full implementation in 2016, the Department of Education (DepEd) received feedback, supported by studies, that prove that the curriculum is fragmented, congested, and offers limited flexibility.

2. Consistent with DepEd's Five-Point Agenda, and to more effectively achieve the required standards for SHS graduates, DepEd shall implement the **Strengthened Senior High School (SSHS) Curriculum** in all public and private SHSs starting school year 2026–2027, as announced through DepEd Memorandum No. 012, s. 2026 (Full Implementation of the Strengthened Senior High School Curriculum in School Year 2026–2027). To ensure proper and consistent implementation, DepEd issues the enclosed policy guidelines on the SSHS Curriculum.

3. The SSHS Curriculum is designed to equip learners with both academic and technical skills, with the following key enhancements:

- a. Streamlined tracks and subjects to improve clarity and efficiency,
- b. Expanded learner choice to support individual aspirations,
- c. Reinforced foundational competencies for success in life,
- d. Enhanced employability through stronger alignment with industry needs, and
- e. Established stackable and seamless learning pathways.

4. This Order shall amend DepEd Order (DO) No. 021, s. 2019 (Policy Guidelines on the K to 12 Basic Education Program), specifically Annex 2 on Secondary Education, as well as DO 030, s. 2017 (Guidelines for Work Immersion). All other existing Orders, Memoranda, and related issuances, or any part thereof, that are inconsistent with these guidelines are repealed or rescinded.



5. This Order shall take effect immediately upon its approval, issuance, and 15 days after publication on the DepEd website, the Official Gazette, or a newspaper of general circulation. Certified copies of this Order shall be registered with the Office of the National Administrative Register (ONAR) at the University of the Philippines Law Center (UPLC), UP Diliman, Quezon City.

6. For more information, please contact the following:

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7. Immediate dissemination of and strict compliance with this Order is directed.

SONNY ANGARA

Secretary

Encl.:

As stated

References:

DepEd Order (Nos. 021, s. 2019 and 30, s. 2017)

DepEd Memorandum (No. 012, s. 2026)



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