



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

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DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. 346, s. 2026

**DIVISION ORIENTATION ON THE NEW POLICIES AND GUIDELINES FOR
SPECIAL SCIENCE PROGRAMS AND CONDUCT OF FOCUS GROUP
DISCUSSION AND SYSTEMATIC REVIEW OF DEPED
SCHOOL-LEVEL PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION**

To: **Chief Education Supervisors
Education Program Supervisors/ Education Program Specialists
Public Schools District Supervisors/
Principal/Head Teacher-in-charge of the District
Heads of Special Science Schools (SSES/STE/RSHS)
All Teachers Concerned**

1. Pursuant to the Department of Education's commitment to ensuring quality implementation of Special Science Programs and strengthening evidence-based program management, this Office announces the conduct of the **Division Orientation on the New Policies and Guidelines for Special Science Programs (Special Science Elementary Schools [SSES], Science, Technology and Engineering [STE] Program, and Regional Science High School [RSHS]), Focus Group Discussion (FGD), and Systematic Review of DepEd School-Level Program Implementation** on **Saturday, June 27, 2026**. Venue will be announced later.
2. The activity aims to:
 - a) Orient teachers on the provisions of Regional Memorandum No. 301, s. 2026 and other existing policies governing the implementation of SSES, STE, and Regional Science High School (RSHS) programs;
 - b) Discuss the curriculum framework, learning areas, time allotment, program requirements, and implementation standards under the Revised K to 10 Curriculum;
 - c) Gather insights, challenges, good practices, and recommendations from program implementers through Focus Group Discussions;
 - d) Conduct a systematic review of the current implementation status of SSES, STE, and RSHS programs in the Division, including curriculum delivery, teacher qualifications, learning resources, facilities, research initiatives, and learner outcomes; and
 - e) Formulate recommendations and action plans to strengthen program implementation and ensure compliance with national and regional standards.
3. The participants to this activity are listed in Inclosure 1.
4. There shall be NO Registration Fee. The travelling expenses, per diems and other expenses relative to the participation to the contest shall be charged to their respective local school funds, MOOE, Special Education Fund and/or other source of





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- funds subject to the existing government accounting and auditing rules and regulations.
5. It is understood that in the conduct of this activity, there shall be no discrimination on account of age, school, gender, civil status, disability, religion or other similar factors/personal circumstances that run to the principles of equal opportunity.
 6. Teaching and non-teaching personnel who shall perform duties relative to the conduct of the activity during Saturdays, Sundays, and Holidays shall be entitled to Service Credits for services rendered as per DepED Order No. 53, s. 2003 and CSC-DBM Joint Circular No. 2, s. 2004.
 7. Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.


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Schools Division Superintendent 

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Inclosure 1

**LIST OF PARTICIPANTS
 Junior HS**

Regional Science High School for Region VI

No.	Name	Position	Subjects Handled
1	GEORGINA D. FRANCISCO, EdD	TEACHER VI	GEN CHEMISTRY I/CONSUMER CHEM
2	DINA ROSE F. ALFARAS, EdD	TEACHER VI	SCIENCE/APPLIED PHYSICS
3	ALMA C. CAWALING	TEACHER VI	SCIENCE/ENVIRO SCI
4	DOREN L. MAGDAMO	TEACHER V	SCIENCE 8/RESEARCH 4
5	MAE KENNETH I. BUENAFE	TEACHER V	SCIENCE 8

Batan Academy (A National School)

No.	Name	Position	Subjects Handled in STE
6	BERNADETTE O. PADASAS	Teacher III	Science 8
7	ERWIN S. CARTAGENA	Teacher III	Science 9
8	JOELA A. AMAN	Teacher II	Science 7
9	WILGEN D. CUSTODIO	Teacher IV	Math 7 & 9

Linabuan National High School

No.	Name	Position	Subjects Handled in STE
10	CRISTY ANN P. VILLARUEL	TEACHER VI	SCIENCE7, RESEARCH 7,8, ELECTIVE 7
11	JOHANNA MAY T. LINGA	TEACHER VI	MATH 8
12	MA. SOLEDAD. N. LEDESMA	TEACHER II	SCIENCE 9, RESEARCH 9&10
13	ANABELLE L. MALANDAC	TEACHER VI	MATH 10

Maloco National High School

No.	Name	Position	Subjects Handled in STE
14	JEAN CARLA M. ALAG	TEACHER VI	ENGLISH
15	SHARI MAMELLE S. SALIDO	TEACHER VI	MATHEMATICS
16	MARIVIE P. FRANCISCO	TEACHER V	SCIENCE/ ELECTIVE
17	CLIFFORD JAY O. LACHICA	TEACHER V	RESEARCH

Toledo National High School

No.	Name	Position	Subjects Handled in STE
18	EARL S. BRIONES	TEACHER VI	MATH7&8
19	JOHN LOYD L. AGUELO	TEACHER I	SCIENCE 8/RESEARCH
20	TIFFANY ANNE V. VENUS	TEACHER VI	SCIENCE 7/ENVIRO SCIENCE/RESEARCH

Laguinbanua Integrated School

No.	Name	Position	Subjects Handled in STE
21	KATE YOSSELIN Y. ILEDAN	TEACHER 1	SCIENCE
22	REA V. SAMPANI	TEACHER 1	MATH

Elementary Level

Laguinbanua Integrated School

No.	Name	Position	Subjects Handled in SSES
23	APRIL JOY I. DE LA PEÑA	TEACHER 5	SCIENCE
24	ANALYN M. PAMATIAN	TEACHER 6	SCIENCE





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Lezo Integrated School

No.	Name	Position	Subjects Handled in SSES
25	CAROLINE R. FERNANDEZ	TEACHER 6	GRADE 1
26	JOEFEL N. ABELLO	TEACHER 6	GRADE 4,5 & 6
27	ZENY G. CABALLERO	TEACHER 6	GRADE 4,5 & 6

Maloco Elementary School

No.	Name	Position	Subjects Handled in SSES
28	SHERYL ROSE V. PANDAY	TEACHER 6	LANGUAGE 1&2, SCIENCE 1&2, RESEARCH 1&2
29	CLAIRE G. GELLANGCANAO	TEACHER 1	MATH 5&6, SCIENCE 5&6
30	GENILYN I. GARCIA	JO TEACHER	SCIENCE 3&4, RESEARCH/COMPUTER 3&4, MATH 3

Management/ TWG/ Speaker

No.	Name	Position	Role
31	DR. MARY CHERRY LYNN M. TABERNILLA	EPS	OVER-ALL CHAIR/SPEAKER
32	MR. HERMY E. FELICIANO	MT-1	FACILITATOR
33	DR. RUTHELYN A. YAP	MT-3	SPEAKER
34	MR. RUEL Z. MIA II	MT-3	SPEAKER
35	MRS. CHERRY D. NABOR	MT-2	SPEAKER
36	MRS. MA. ROSEBELLY P. LAPAY	MT-2	FACILITATOR
37	MRS. RHEA F. DELA CRUZ	T-VI	FACILITATOR
38	MR. PETER BRYLLE R. IBARDOLAZA	T-V	FACILITATOR
39	MRS. PEARL DAGOHYOY-MIROY	T-VI	FACILITATOR
40	MR. BENEDICK Z. ZASPA	T-VI	FACILITATOR