



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

July 21, 2026

DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. 397, s. 2026

LEAD4NATION: JOURNEY TOWARD MENTAL HEALTH AND RESILIENCE

To:

Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chief Education Supervisors
Education Program Supervisors
Public Schools District Supervisors, Principals In-Charge of the District
Head Teacher In-Charge of the District
Senior/Education Program Specialists
Heads of Public and Private Elementary/Integrated/Secondary Schools
All Others Concerned

1. Attached is Regional Memorandum No. 720 s. 2026, dated July 20, 2026 titled “Lead4Nation: Journey Toward Mental Health and Resilience”, scheduled on **July 25-26, 2026**, at Punta Villa Resort, Sto. Niño Sur, Arevalo, Iloilo City, which is self-explanatory.
2. This activity aims to cultivate among participants strategic thinking, ethical decision-making, and a clear sense of purpose to lead effectively across diverse contexts. It also seeks to promote self-awareness, mental wellness, and emotional intelligence as foundations for impactful leadership and sustained personal growth.
3. Below is the list of participants, including the Division Youth Formation Focal Person, who will attend the said event:

Name	Designation	SCHOOL/STATION
Euann Shalei L. Tang	President	Regional Science High School
Alyssa N. Bautista	Vice-President	Madalag National High School
Mary Cris L. Bartolini	Secretary	Laserna Integrated School
Jude Michael Pasol	Treasurer	Altavas National School
Samantha T. Patulin	Auditor	Makato Integrated School
Charmaine Grace C. Sualog	Public Information Officer	Buruanga Vocational School
John Ryan Cabangil	Protocol Officer	Maloco National High School
Nino Sean Axl T. Morales	Division Youth Formation Officer	SGOD, Division Office
Alian Carlo C. Soriano	Division Youth Formation Officer	SGOD, Division Office



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4. Attached in the Enclosure 1 are the Parental Consent and Waiver Form for the said event.
5. The expenses for the food and accommodation of the participants shall be charged against the downloaded Leadership, Advocacies, and Campaign Development Program (LACDP) Program Support Fund - OSEC-6-26-02615, while their travel and other incidental expenses against their MOOE/local funds, all subject to the usual government accounting and auditing rules and regulations.
6. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.


FELICIANO C. BUENAFE, JR. CESO V
Schools Division Superintendent

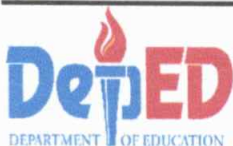
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Under the following subjects:

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(Enclosure No. 1 to Division Memorandum No. **397** s. 2026)

PARENTAL CONSENT AND WAIVER FORM

I, _____, as the parent or legal guardian of _____, hereby acknowledge that I have been informed of the details in the conduct of “Lead4Nation: Journey Toward Mental Health and Resilience” on July 24-26, 2026, at Punta Villa Resort, Sto. Niño Sur, Arevalo, Iloilo City.

I understand that the Bureau of Learner Support Services-Youth Formation Division (BLSS-YFD) of the Department of Education (DepEd) shall implement the minimum public health standards set by the government to minimize the risk of the spread of any communicable disease, but it cannot guarantee that my child will not become infected.

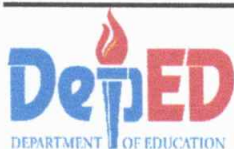
I understand that my child’s in-person attendance at the event will include associating with teachers, fellow learners and school personnel, and other people inside and outside of the school that may put my child at risk of transmission of any communicable disease, notwithstanding the precautions undertaken by the implementing team.

Voluntary Participation

I acknowledge that my child’s participation in this activity is completely voluntary. My child may decline to participate or withdraw from participation at any time for any reason. Declining or withdrawing participation will not result in any penalty or loss of benefits or reduction of any basic right to which my child is entitled. While there remains the risk of possible transmission of any communicable disease to my child/ren, and to the members of my household, I freely assume the said risk and I permit my child/ren to attend this activity.

Exclusion (Limitations/Ineligibility)

I am aware that symptoms of any communicable disease include, but are not limited to, fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, the new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea, vomiting, and diarrhea.



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I confirm that my child currently has none of those symptoms and is in good health. I will not allow my child to physically go to the event if my child or any member of my household develops any of the said symptoms or any other symptoms of illness that may or may not be related to any communicable disease. I will also inform the school/division and not allow my child to attend the event if my child or any of my household members test positive for any communicable disease. My child/ren and I, with my household members, will follow the required health and safety protocols and procedures adopted by the school and community.

Documentation

I confirm that I give full permission in any recording or picture taken of my child during the conduct of this event and to use some or all my child's images/ contribution/ performance in any publication (including electronic publications such as film or website) created by or for the BLSS-YFD and to release this material to DepEd official platforms.

Confidentiality

I am aware that any information that will be given during the activity will be kept strictly confidential, and personal information will be treated in accordance with the Republic Act 10173, Data Privacy Act of 2012. I am assured that the information about my child will not be shared outside of the implementation team. My child's name will not be used when data from this activity is analyzed.

I hereby confirm that I agree and understand the commitment of my child as a participant. I also understand and will support my child's endeavor to meet the expectations, guidelines, and responsibilities to his/her fellow participants and to DepEd.

To the extent allowed by law and rules, I hereby agree to waive, release, and discharge any and all claims, causes of action, damages, and rights against the school/division and its personnel as well as officials and personnel of the Department of Education relative to the conduct of the activity.

With full understanding, I – on behalf of myself, my household members, and my child/ren – hereby freely and voluntarily give my consent to my child's participation in the activity from July 24, 2026 to July 26, 2026. I also attest that I had sought the views of my child and he/she has expressed a willingness to participate in the activity.



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CONTACT DETAILS FOR QUESTIONS OR PROBLEMS

For any concerns or clarification, you may contact the BLSS-YFD through the email address blss.yfd@deped.gov.ph

 Signature of Parent/Guardian over Printed Name	 Contact Details (Mobile Number)
 Name of Child/ren	 Date

*** Please submit this form to your child's school prior to participation in the event.**



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LEARNER CONSENT, WAIVER, INDEMNITY and RELEASE

(To be completed by the Learner)

I, _____, agreed to participate with the consent of my parents and/or legal guardian in the conduct of “Lead4Nation: Journey Toward Mental Health and Resilience” on July 24-26, 2026, at Punta Villa Resort, Sto. Niño Sur, Arevalo, Iloilo City.

I agree to give permission to the Department of Education (DepEd) and its representatives to make recordings of my voice and to take photographs and/or videos in which I appear in at the event and location stated above, to be used for the communications and various public campaigns of the Department be it in _____ print, _____ broadcast and/or electronic media.

I have read and understood the accompanying letter and information leaflet. For things I do not understand, I will ask my Parent/Guardian to clarify the objective of the activity for me.

I know the purpose of the project/activity and the part I will be involved in. I know that DepEd and its representative are not allowed to use the information about me in any form that might harm my rights and well-being.

Name of Learner	Name of School
Age	Date



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No. 120 s.2026

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To: All Schools Division Superintendents
All Others Concerned

1. In line with the continuing commitment of this Office in nurturing youth leadership that is ethical, sustainable, and transformative, this Office, through the Education Support Services Division (ESSD), will conduct the **“Lead4Nation: Journey Toward Mental Health and Resilience”** on **July 25-26, 2026 at Punta Villa Resort, Sto. Nino Sur, Arevalo, Iloilo City.**
2. The activity aims to achieve the following objectives:
 - a. Develop among the participants strategic thinking, ethical decision making, and a clear sense of purpose to lead effectively in diverse contexts;
 - b. Equip participants with knowledge and tools to advocate for ecological sustainability, civic responsibility, and inclusive progress within their communities;
 - c. Cultivate skills in teamwork, public service, and dialogue to inspire positive change and build strong networks among youth leaders in the Region; and
 - d. Encourage self-awareness and mental and emotional wellness to sustain impactful leadership and personal growth.
3. Each Schools Division Office (SDO) shall send the seven (7) major Division Federation of Supreme Secondary Learner Government (DFSSLG) officers, specifically the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor, Public Information Officer (PIO), and Peace Officer, to participate in the said activity.
4. The number of expected participants and the proposed program matrix are attached as Enclosures 1 and 2, respectively to this Memorandum for reference and perusal of all concerned.
5. The Schools Division Offices shall secure the parents' consent of the identified learners and shall see to it that the best interest of the learners is paramount consideration in all decisions and actions involving the latter in adherence with D.O. No. 40, s. 2012, titled DepEd Child Protection Policy.
6. The participants are expected to arrive at the venue on **July 24, 2026** as Day 0 with dinner as the first meal and with accommodation, and the last meal shall be lunch of Day 2 on **July 26, 2026.**
7. The expenses for the food and accommodation of the participants shall be charged against the downloaded Leadership, Advocacies, and Campaign Development Program (LACDP) Program Support Fund – OSEC-6-26-02615, while



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their travel and other incidental expenses against their MOOE/local funds, all subject to the usual government accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

8. The teachers involved in the activity are entitled to Service Credits for the services rendered during weekends but not to exceed 15 days in accordance with DepEd Order No. 53, s. 2003 entitled: "Updated Guidelines on the Grant of Vacation Service Credits to Teachers". On the other hand, non-teaching personnel shall be provided with Compensatory Overtime Credits (COC) for their services rendered during weekends and holidays as per Civil Service Commission (CSC) and Department of Budget and Management (DBM) Joint Circular No. 2, s. 2004 on Non-Monetary Remuneration for Overtime Service Rendered to be facilitated by their respective SDOs

9. For clarifications and concerns, contact **Engr. Irene S. Magante, Engineer III, OIC – Regional Youth Formation Coordinator, Education Support Services Division (ESSD)** at her mobile number **0999-9920-336**.

10. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum are desired.


CRISTITO A. ECO, CESO III
Regional Director

Encl.: As stated

Reference: None

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*DSB-Regional Memorandum/LEADInitiation: Journey toward Mental Health Resilience.
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Enclosure 1

**LIST OF EXPECTED PARTICIPANTS TO THE LEAD4NATION: JOURNEY TOWARD
MENTAL HEALTH AND RESILIENCE**

July 25-26, 2026

Punta Villa Resort, Sto. Nino Sur, Arevalo, Iloilo City.

Participants	Number
Regional Office VI Top Level Management (RD and ARD)	2
ESSD Chief	1
Resource Speakers	5
Division Federated Supreme Secondary Learner Govt. (7 major positions per SDO)	56
YFD and LRP Focal Persons (2 per SDO)	16
TWG (ESSD Personnel)	10
Regional M&E Focal Person	1
Total	91



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Enclosure 2

INDICATIVE PROGRAM MATRIX

Time	Activity	In-Charge
Day 1 – July 25, 2026		
6:00am – 7:00am	Breakfast	
7:01am – 8:00am	Arrival and Registration of the Participants	ESSD TWG
8:01am – 9:00am	Opening Preliminaries a. National Anthem b. Prayer c. Regional Hymn d. DepEd Quality Policy Statement e. Welcome Remarks f. Introduction of the Participants g. Statement of Purpose	Engr. Irene S. Magante Leonerico E. Barredo, PhD
9:01pm – 11:30am	Session 1	Shella Marcela Villanueva
11:31pm – 12:00nn	Integration Session	
12:01pm – 1:00pm	Lunch Break	
1:01pm – 4:30pm	Session 2	Shella Marcela Villanueva
4:30 – 5:00pm	Integration Session	
6:01pm – 7:00pm	Dinner	
7:01pm – 9:00pm	Election of Federated Supreme Secondary Learner Government	
Day 2 – July 26, 2026		
6:00pm – 8:00am	Breakfast	
8:01pm – 8:30am	Morning Preliminaries	ESSD TWG
8:31am – 11:00am	Session 3	Rev. Martha Mae E. Luces
11:01am – 11:30am	Integration Session	
11:31am – 12:00nn	Closing Program	ESSD TWG
12:01nn – 1:00pm	Lunch Break	
1:01pm - onwards	Home Sweet Home	