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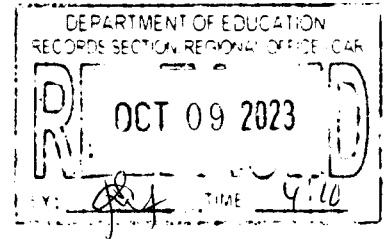
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REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

No. **592.2023**

2023 GLOBAL HANDWASHING DAY

To: Assistant Regional Director
Schools Division Superintendents
All Others Concerned



1. In partnership with the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), the Department of Education, through the Bureau of Learner Support Services – School Health Division (BLSS-SHD) shall spearhead this year's celebration of the Global Handwashing Day with the theme **“Clean Hands are Within Reach.”**
2. This global advocacy is celebrated every 15th day of October. It is dedicated to highlight the importance of promoting a culture of hand-hygiene as a critical public health measure to ensure safe schools and communities. Likewise, it showcases the best practices in hand-hygiene related initiatives. The event shall also feature handwashing jingles with videos submitted by the regions.
3. In line with the celebration, a short program titled **“Malinis na Kamay, Tulay sa Malusog at Matatag na Kinabukasan”** shall be broadcasted via the DepEd. Philippines Facebook Page on October 13, 2023 (Friday), at 1:30 - 2:30 PM.
4. All Schools Division Offices (SDOs) and schools are encouraged to watch and share the online broadcasts via the **DepEd Philippines Facebook Page.**
5. Attached to this memorandum is the indicative program of activities for reference.
6. For inquiries and clarifications, please contact Dr. Joane S. Bumanghat, Regional WinS Coordinator at CP No.09088651484.
7. For information and compliance.

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ESSD/GCD/isb/2023 Global Handwashing Day
October 9, 2023



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MEMORANDUM

TO : **REGIONAL DIRECTORS**
ESSD Chief
SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS
SGOD and CID Chiefs
School Health and Nutrition Section
Public and Private Elementary and Secondary School Heads
All Others Concerned

FROM : 
ATTY. REVSEE A. ESCOBEDO
Undersecretary for Operations 
2023

SUBJECT : **2023 GLOBAL HANDWASHING DAY**

DATE: : 27 September 2023

The **Department of Education (DepEd)**, through the Bureau of Learner Support Services – School Health Division (BLSS-SHD), issued **DepEd Order 10, s. 2016 (DO 10, s. 2016) or the Policy and Guidelines for the Comprehensive Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene in Schools (WinS) Program** to promote correct hygiene and sanitation practices among school children and a clean environment in and around schools to keep learners safe and healthy. DO 10, s. 2016 is designed to achieve learning and health outcomes and improve school attendance of students through a comprehensive, sustainable, and scalable school-based water, hygiene, sanitation, and deworming program pursuant to the State's mandate, under the 1987 Constitution, to defend the right of children to assistance including proper care and nutrition and special protection from conditions prejudicial to their development as well as to protect and promote the people's right to health and instill health consciousness among them.

DepEd, through the BLSS-SHD, in partnership with the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) shall spearhead **this year's celebration of the Global Handwashing Day** with the theme "**Clean Hands are Within Reach.**" This global advocacy is celebrated annually every 15th day of October and is dedicated to increasing awareness and understanding on the importance of handwashing with soap as an effective and affordable way to prevent diseases and save lives.

In line with the said celebration, a short program titled **Malinis na Kamay tulay sa Malusog at Matatag na Kinabukasan** shall be broadcasted via the **DepEd Philippines Facebook Page on October 13, 2023 (Friday), 1:30 - 2:30 p.m.** This

activity aims to highlight the importance of promoting a culture of hand hygiene and to emphasize hand hygiene as a critical public health measure to ensure safe schools and communities. To showcase best practices in hand hygiene-related initiatives, the event shall feature handwashing jingles with videos submitted by regions.

In this regard, each region is requested to submit a **30- to 45-second handwashing jingle with an accompanying video** that highlights the importance of handwashing in the promotion of general health and prevention of the transmission of infection. Five (5) regions with the best Jingles shall be selected to be broadcasted via DepEd Philippines FB page during the actual conduct of the program. In addition, a **commitment video** to show support of each region for the observance of the 2023 Global Handwashing Day will also be shown during the program (for details, please see attached Enclosures).

Further, all DepEd offices and schools, particularly learners, are enjoined to participate in the said activity.

All Regional, Division, and School WinS Coordinators are requested to watch the broadcast of the event via the **DepEd Philippines Facebook Page**.

The Regional Directors and Schools Division Superintendents are enjoined to ensure and monitor the participation of personnel and learners to the said activity.

For more information, please contact **Mr. Vonerich B. Berba**, Education Program Specialist II of the Bureau of Learner Support Services-School Health Division (BLSS-SHD) through email at blss.shd@deped.gov.ph or telephone number (02) 8632-9935.

Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

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Annex A

Malinis na Kamay Tulay sa Malusog at Matatag na Kinabukasan
13 October 2023 (Friday) at 1:30 - 2:30 p.m.
Via DepEd Philippines Facebook Page

Indicative Program

Time	Topic	Speaker
1:30 – 1:40 p.m.	Opening Remarks	DIR. NENNETH ESPLANA-ALAMA, PhD Director IV Bureau of Learner Support Services
	Keynote Speaker	DR. DEXTER A. GALBAN Assistant Secretary for Operations
1:40 – 1:55 p.m.	Best Practices in Handwashing Activities of Seal of Excellence School-Awardees	SDO Sagay
1:55 – 2:10 p.m.	Announcement and presentation of Top 5 Best Handwashing Jingles	Emcee
2:10 – 2:20 p.m.	Commitment Video	ALL DepEd Regions
2:20 – 2:30 p.m.	Closing Message	DR. MARIA CORAZON C. DUMLAO Chief, BLSS-School Health Division

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