



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
REGION VIII - EASTERN VISAYAS

April 5, 2024

REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

No. **409** s. 2024

**NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF REGIONAL AND DIVISION COORDINATORS OF
THE WATER, SANITATION, AND HYGIENE (WASH) IN SCHOOLS
(WINS) PROGRAM**

To: Schools Division Superintendents
SDO WinS Coordinators
All Others Concerned

1. Attached is Memorandum OM-OUOPS-2024-09-0240 from Atty. Revsee A. Escobedo, Undersecretary for Governance and Field Operations, dated March 26, 2024, titled Invitation to the National Conference of Regional and Division Coordinators of the Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) in Schools (WinS) Program, which will be held in Bohol on April 22-26, 2024.

2. The participants to this activity are the following:

Office	Name	Designation
Regional Office	Elmer Albert E. Cuevas, DMD	Regional Supervising Dentist
	Verneal Alvin Ken C. Ana, MD	Medical Officer III, in place of Regional Medical Officer
	Mikko M. Duero	IT
SDO Baybay City	Jireh Jan A. Gulayan, RN	WinS Focal Person
SDO Biliran	Myra M. Ocampo, RN	WinS Focal Person
SDO Borongan City	Esther Julie Barte, DMD	Alternate WinS Focal Person
SDO Calbayog City	Nikki Ivy S. Dollado, RN	WinS Focal Person
SDO Catbalogan City	Marilyn Cuna - Arandia, RN	WinS Focal Person
SDO Eastern Samar	Emilia V. Tagab, RN	WinS Focal Person
SDO Leyte	Daniel Keith O. Malquisto, RN	WinS Focal Person
SDO Maasin City	Caris Marie Fabel T. Arradaza, RN	WinS Focal Person
SDO Northern Samar	Nilma S. Regulacion, RN	WinS Focal Person
SDO Ormoc City	Dece A. Yabo III, DMD	WinS Focal Person
SDO Samar	Princess R. Aparis, RN	WinS Focal Person
SDO Southern Leyte	Maria Liza C. Garvez, RN	WinS Focal Person
SDO Tacloban City	Lyra Ruth E. Macatimpag, RN	WinS Focal Person

3. Funds for the traveling expenses of the participants shall be downloaded to the Schools Division Offices and any shortage is requested to be charged against local funds subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.
4. Immediate dissemination of and strict compliance with this Memorandum are desired.

RONALO AL K. FIRMO
Director III
Officer-In-Charge
Office of the Regional Director

Enclosure: As stated

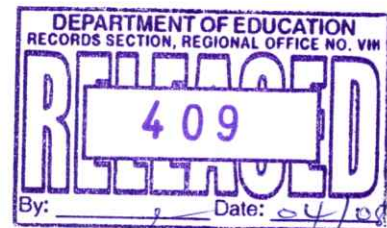
Reference: None

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index under the following subjects:

COORDINATORS

PROGRAM WINS

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MEMORANDUM

OM-OUOPS-2024-09-02490

**TO : ALL REGIONAL DIRECTORS AND BARMM EDUCATION MINISTER
SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS
REGIONAL AND DIVISION WINS COORDINATORS
ALL OTHERS CONCERNED**

FROM : ATTY. REVSEE A. ESCOBEDO
Undersecretary for Operations

SUBJECT : INVITATION TO THE NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF REGIONAL AND DIVISION COORDINATORS OF THE WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE (WASH) IN SCHOOLS (WINS) PROGRAM

DATE : March 26, 2024

The Office of the Undersecretary for Operations (OUOPS), through the Bureau of Learner Support Services – School Health Division (BLSS-SHD), announces the **National Conference of Regional and Division Coordinators of the Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) in Schools (WinS) Program** which will be held within Bohol on **April 22-26, 2024**.

The activity aims to:

- highlight updates on the implementation of the WinS program;
- capacitate/train the regional and division WinS coordinators on enhanced Online Monitoring System (e-OMS);
- provide an avenue for learning exchanges;
- share and highlight the best practices of schools in the implementation of the WinS program; and
- provide means for other regions to elevate the way the WinS program is implemented in their respective locality.

Recommended participants in the region are the Regional Medical Officers and Regional Supervising Dentists, and Regional IT Officers; all Division WinS coordinators; 5 school-level representatives from the four (4) regions with Seal of Excellence (SOE) awardees (regions I [1], VI [2], IX [1], CAR [1]); representatives from DepEd CO (OUOPS, OASOPS, BLSS-OD, BLSS-SHD, ICTS, PAS, EPS); WinS Partners/Members of the National TWG Members (GIZ, UNICEF, Save the Children Philippines); and resource persons (DOH and FOODSHAP). Please refer to **Annex 1**

(Target Number of participants) to know more about the distribution of participants across regions.

Further, two (2) representatives from the following Schools Division Offices (SDOs) are hereby requested to present: La Union, Zamboanga Del Sur, Sagay City, and Iloilo Province. The presentation shall focus on their journey towards reaching the WASH in Schools (WinS) program's Seal of Excellence award highlighting challenges and how they rose above them, best practices, innovation, among others. For details, kindly refer to **Annex 2** (Indicative Program of Activities) for more details.

Participants are advised on the following:

1. Arrival and check-in is on **April 22, 2024** (AM snacks will be served). Registration of the participants starts at 8:00am and hotel check-in is at 2:00pm. Program starts at 9:00am;
2. Check-out is on **April 26, 2024** with AM snacks as the last meal;
3. Funds for traveling expenses of DepEd – CO participants shall be charged to BLSS-SHD funds subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations;
4. Funds for traveling expenses of participants from BARMM-MBHTE shall be charged to local funds subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations;
5. Funds for traveling expenses of the participants shall be downloaded to their respective ROs and any shortage is requested to be charged to local funds subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations; and
6. There will be no transportation service to be provided to participants from airport to venue/hotel accommodation and vice versa.

For more information, please contact **Ms. Magdalene Portia T. Cariaga**, Senior Education Program Specialist, **Mr. Vonerich B. Berba**, Education Program Specialist II or **Mr. Dranoel Cyrus C. Baguio**, Technical Assistant II of the Nutrition and Hygiene Unit under the Bureau of Learner Support Services-School Health Division through email at blss.shd@deped.gov.ph or [telephone number](tel:0286329935) (02) 8632 9935.

Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

[BLSS-SHD/VBB]

Annex 1

NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF THE REGIONAL AND DIVISION COORDINATORS OF THE WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE (WASH) IN SCHOOLS (WINS) PROGRAM

Region VII | April 22-26, 2024

TARGET NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS

Region	# of SDOs	Regional WinS Coordinators	Regional IT Officers	Representatives from select SOE Schools	Total Regional Pax
I	14	3	1	1	19
II	9	2	1		12
III	20	2	1		23
IV-A	23	2	1		26
IV-B	7	2	1		10
V	13	2	1		16
VI	21	2	1	2	26
VII	20	2	1		23
VIII	13	2	1		16
IX	8	3	1	1	13
X	14	2	1		17
XI	11	2	1		14
XII	8	2	1		11
Caraga	12	2	1		15
CAR	8	3	1	1	13
NCR	16	2	1		19
BARMM	11	2	1		14
Total	217	35	16	5	287
DepEd-CO					20
	OUOPS				2
	OASOPS				2
	BLSS-OD				2
	BLSS-SHD				8
	ICTS				2
	PAS				2
	EPS				2
WinS Partners					16
	GIZ				6
	UNICEF				5
	Save the Children				5
Resource Persons					2
	DOH				1
	FoodSHAP				1

Annex 2

NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF REGIONAL AND DIVISION COORDINATORS OF THE WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE (WASH) IN SCHOOLS (WINS) PROGRAM

Region VII | April 22-26, 2024

Indicative Program of Activities

Time	Activity	Responsible Person
Day 1 (April 22, 2024)		
Theme: "Optimizing WASH Management: Assessing Division-wide Status and Enhancing School Implementation"		
1:00 – 2:00 p.m.	Arrival and Registration	
2:00 – 2:30 p.m.	Lunch	
2:30 – 3:00 p.m.	Introduction of Participants	Vonerich B. Berba Education Program Specialist II/National WinS Coordinator, BLSS-SHD
	Inspirational Message	Atty. Revsee A. Escobedo Undersecretary for Operations
	Welcome Message	Dr. Dexter A. Galban Assistant Secretary for Operations Atty. Suzette T. Gannaban-Medina OIC-Director IV, BLSS and LRPO
	Background and Rationale	Dr. Maria Corazon C. Dumlao Chief, BLSS-SHD
2:00 – 2:40 p.m.	Understanding the Basics and Revisiting the WinS Standards to reach for the Stars	Vonerich B. Berba Education Program Specialist II, BLSS-SHD
2:40 – 3:00 p.m.	Open Forum	
3:00 – 3:15 p.m.	PM Snacks	

Time	Activity	Responsible Person
3:15 – 4:00 p.m.	Presentation of National WinS Implementation Status and Program Updates	Dr. Maria Corazon C. Dumlao Chief, BLSS-SHD
4:00 – 4:20	Open Forum	
4:20 – 5:00pm	Closing of Day 1	
Moderator: Rex Yangco		
Day 2 (April 23, 2024)		
Theme: "Innovative Solutions: Showcasing Best Practices in School-based WASH initiatives"		
8:30 – 9:00 a.m.	Recapitulation	
	Message from DepEd	
9:00 – 9:45 a.m.	<u>Technical input</u> Managing WASH in Schools: Guidance to SDOs and ROs from the DepED WinS Management Manuals	Jon Villasenor , UNICEF
9:45 – 10:00 a.m.	Mechanics of the WinS Regional and Division Situational and Bottleneck Analysis Workshops	Marvin Marquez , GIZ Jon Villasenor , UNICEF
10:00 – 10:15 a.m.	AM Snacks	
10:50 – 11:30 a.m.	Workshop 1: Assessing progress of implementation at regional and division levels	Regional groupings
11:30 – 12:00 nn	Reporting of Workshop 1 outputs	Selected regions
12:00 – 1:00 p.m.	Lunch	
1:00 – 1:30 p.m.	<u>Technical input</u> Schools Division Office Organizational Enablers for WinS and Building Blocks for Local WinS Enabling Environment	Jon Villasenor , UNICEF
1:30 – 3:00 p.m.	Workshop 2: SDO Organizational Enablers and Local enabling environment	Regional groupings
3:00 – 3:15 p.m.	PM snacks	

Time	Activity	Responsible Person
3:15 – 4:00 p.m.	Reporting of Workshop 2 outputs	Selected regions
4:00 – 4:45 p.m.	Orientation on the WinS Dashboard Use of WinS Data for Advocacy	Marvin Marquez , GIZ Ubo Pakes , GIZ Marysol Balane , UNICEF
4:45 – 5:00 p.m.	Closing of day 2	
Moderator: Marysol Balane		
Day 3 (April 24, 2024)		
Theme: “Collaborative Learning: Harnessing TWG Experiences for Enhanced WASH Impact”		
8:30 – 9:00 a.m.	Opening activities Recapitulation	
9:00 – 9:30 a.m.	Best practices by selected awardees of the First WinS Seal of Excellence Award Presentation 1: SDO La Union’s journey on Water, Sanitation and Hygiene in Schools (WinS) Seal of Excellence (Highlighting challenges and how they rose above them, best practices, innovation, among others) Presentors: Arelie Jacildo and Carmelita Fajardo Porporiket ES, San Juan CS, San Juan Senior High – Stand Alone, SDO La Union	
9:30 – 10:00 a.m.	Presentation 2: SDO Zamboanga Del Sur’s journey on Water, Sanitation and Hygiene in Schools (WinS) Seal of Excellence (Highlighting challenges and how they rose above them, best practices, innovation, among others) Presentors: Glenda May Bonsobre and Allan Louie Corpuz Upper Pulacan ES, SDO Zamboanga del Sur	
10:00 – 10:15 a.m.	Q and A	
10:15 – 10:30 a.m.	AM snacks	
10:30 – 11:00 a.m.	Presentation 3: SDO Tabuk City’s journey on Water, Sanitation and Hygiene in Schools (WinS) Seal of Excellence (Highlighting challenges and how they rose above them, best practices, innovation, among others) Presentors: Jeth Rens Oggang and Rosenda Grail Calderon	

Time	Activity	Responsible Person
	Bulo East CS, Bulo NHS, SDO Tabuk City	
11:00 – 11:30 a.m.	<p>Presentation 4: SDO Sagay City's journey on Water, Sanitation and Hygiene in Schools (WinS) Seal of Excellence (Highlighting challenges and how they rose above them, best practices, innovation, among others)</p> <p>Presentors: Rex Yango and Marycris Chisno David Jose B. Puey Sr. ES, Ma. Lopez ES, Vito ES, Shermanhill IS, Trinidad Gonazaga NHS, Bato NHS, Sagay NHS, Cpo. Bago NHS, SDO Sagay City</p>	
11:30 – 12:00 nn	<p>Presentation 5 SDO Iloilo City's journey on Water, Sanitation and Hygiene in Schools (WinS) Seal of Excellence (Highlighting challenges and how they rose above them, best practices, innovation, among others)</p> <p>Presentors: Kris Joy Gustilo and Fralyn B. Leones Granada NHS-Ballesteros Ext., Rufino G. Palabrica SR. NHS, Tubungan NHS, Pavia NHS, SDO Iloilo</p>	
12:00 – 12:15 p.m.	Q and A	
12:15 – 1:15 p.m.	Lunch	
1:15 – 2:00 p.m.	<p>WinS National TWG Reflections: Sharing of Experiences and Insights on the Challenges, Innovation, Best Practices through the years</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unicef, GIZ, Save the Children, DepEd 	
2:00 – 2:30 p.m.	Unboxing MATATAG Agenda: Strategic Partnerships for the Wins	Margarita Consolacion C. Ballesteros Director IV, EPS
2:30 – 2:45 p.m.	Q and A	
2:45 – 3:15 p.m.	Updates on the Social Media Polices of DepEd	Cleo Mae Dela Cruz Administrative Officer IV, PAS
3:15 – 3:30 p.m.	Q and A	
3:30 – 3:45 p.m.	PM Snacks	
3:45 – 4:30 p.m.	Water Quality Monitoring in Schools	Joselito Riego De Dios Chief Healthy Environment and Sanitation, DOH
4:30 – 4:45 p.m.	Q and A	

Time	Activity	Responsible Person
4:45 – 5:00 p.m.	Closing	
Moderator: RC Costales		
Day 4 (April 25, 2024)		
Theme: “Ensuring Compliance and Impact: DepEd Policies and Guidelines on Monitoring WASH in Educational Settings”		
8:30 – 9:00 a.m.	Opening activities Recapitulation	
9:00 – 9:30 a.m.	Food Safety in the Context of WASH in Schools Program	Elsie Gatpayat Managing Director, Food Safety and Hygiene Academy of the Philippines (FOODSHAP)
9:30 – 10:00 a.m.	Creating Pathways to Participation: Harnessing Support Group and children’s Voices for WASH Solutions	Ma. Fe Guilalas Nutritionist, Save the Children
10:00 – 10:15 a.m.	Q and A	
10:15 – 10:30 a.m.	AM Snacks	
10:30 – 11:00	Oky Philippines Menstrual Tracker App Mensrual Hygiene (MH) Report	Janelle Ang , UNICEF Bella Monse , GIZ
11:00 – 12:00 nn	Navigating the WinS Enhanced Online Monitoring System: Important Updates and Simulation	Carl Henry Lico Computer Programmer III, SDD-ICTS Emma Ruth Galvez Information Systems Analyst III, SDD-ICTS
12:00 – 1:00 p.m.	Lunch	
1:00 – 2:30 p.m.	Continuation: Navigating the WinS Enhanced Online Monitoring System: Important Updates and Simulation	Carl Henry Lico Computer Programmer III, SDD-ICTS Emma Ruth Galvez

Time	Activity	Responsible Person
		Information Systems Analyst III, SDD-ICTS
2:30 – 4:00 p.m.	Regional and Division Action Planning (with running break)	Regional groupings
4:00 – 4:30 p.m.	Reporting of action plans	Selected regions
4:30 – 5:00 p.m.	Closing	
Moderator: Glenn Martin Raroque		
Day 5 (April 26, 2024)		
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