



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
REGION VII - CENTRAL VISAYAS

Office of the Schools Division Superintendent

17 OCT 2023

DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. 450 s. 2023

2023 GLOBAL HANDWASHING DAY

To: **Assistant Schools Division Superintendents**
Chief CID and SGOD
Public Schools District Supervisors
All Others Concerned

1. This office disseminates Regional Memo No. 754 s. 2023, titled **2023 Global Handwashing Day**. It is stated in Department Order No. 10 s. 2016, Policy and Guidelines for the Comprehensive Water, Sanitation and Hygiene in School Program the need to promote corrective hygiene and sanitation practices among school learners.
2. DepEd Order No. 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, nutrition and special protection from prejudicial conditions to their development as well as to protect and promote the people's right to health and instill health consciousness among them.
3. The Department of Education (DepEd) through the Bureau of Learner Support Services -School Health Division in partnership with the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) shall be spearheading this year's celebration of the Global Handwashing Day with the theme "Clean Hands are Within Reach". This global advocacy is celebrated 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 saves lives.
4. In line with this, there shall be a short program titled **Malinis na Kamay tulay sa Malusog at Matatag na kinabukasan** and shall be on broadcast via **Deped Philippines Facebook Page on October 18, 2023 @ 1:30pm-2:30pm**. It is highly requested that all Deped Offices, schools particularly the learners, and School WinS Coordinators are enjoined to watch the event.



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5. The school principals, heads, and school caretakers are highly requested to monitor the activities conducted related to the celebration and the continuity, and sustainability of the program implementation. Should there be queries for more details regarding the activity please refer to the attached communication.
6. Widest dissemination and compliance of this Memorandum is desired.


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Office of the Regional Director

10 OCT 2023

REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

No. **754** s. 2023

2023 GLOBAL HANDWASHING DAY

To: Schools Division Superintendents
Assistant Schools Division Superintendents
All Others Concerned

1. This Office disseminates the communication attached OUOPS No. 2023-03 dated September 27, 2023 entitled **2023 GLOBAL HANDWASHING DAY**. It is clearly stated in this communication that it emphasizes on the issuance of DepEd Order 10, s. 2016, Policy and Guidelines for the Comprehensive Water, Sanitation and Hygiene in Schools (WinS) Program. The creation of DepEd Order 10, s. 2016 is to promote corrective hygiene and sanitation practices among school children and a clean environment in and around schools to keep learners safe and healthy.

2. DepEd Order 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, nutrition and special protection from prejudicial conditions to their development as well as to protect and promote the people's right to health and instill health consciousness among them.

3. The Department of Education (DepEd) through the Bureau of Learner Support Services-School Health Division in partnership with the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) shall be spearheading this year's celebration of the Global Handwashing Day with the theme "**Clean Hands are Within Reach**". This global advocacy is **celebrated every 15th day of October** and is dedicated to increase awareness and understanding on the importance of handwashing with soap and water as an effective and affordable way to prevent diseases and its spread to other people and most important, to save lives.



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
4. In line with this, there shall be a short program titled ***Malinis na Kamay tulay sa Malusog at Matatag na Kinabukasan*** and shall be on broadcast via **DepEd Philippines Facebook Page on October 13, 2023 @ 1:30pm-2:30pm**. It is highly requested that all DepEd Offices, schools particularly the learners, Regional, Division and School WinS Coordinators/Focal Persons are enjoined to watch the event.

5. Furthermore, attached as Annex A is the plotted indicative programe of the broadcast activity for viewing. It can be noted that in this communication, there is a requirement of the submission of handwashing jingle, **please disregard this**.

6. Top management is highly requested to monitor on the activities conducted related to the celebration and the continuity, sustainability of the program implementation thereafter. Should there be more queries on more of the details, please refer to the attached communication and please don't hesitate to contact this Office through the Education Support Services Division (ESSD).



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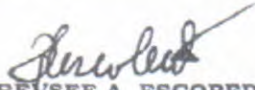

Director IV 
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OPERATIONS

OUOPS No. 2023-03-____
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. REV. SEE A. ESCOBEDO
Undersecretary for Operations 

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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