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REGIONAL MEMORANDUM
CLMD-2026- 1022

To: Assistant Regional Director
Schools Division Superintendent) Division of Agusan del Norte
) Division of Bislig City
) Division of Surigao del Sur
School Heads of Participating Schools
All Others Concerned

CONDUCT OF PISA-BASED TEST FOR SCHOOLS 2026 IN CARAGA

1. **Activity.** Pursuant to the Department of Education's implementation of the Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA)-Based Test for Schools (PBTS) Philippines 2026, otherwise known as PISA for Schools 2026, and in accordance with the directives of the Monitoring and Evaluation Office (MEO) regarding the administration of the assessment, this Office announces the conduct of the PISA for Schools 2026 Assessment Administration in five participating schools in the Caraga Region.
2. **Objectives.** The PISA for Schools assessment aims to measure learners' competencies in reading, mathematics, and science, generate internationally benchmarked data, and provide participating schools with actionable insights to improve teaching and learning outcomes. The assessment likewise serves as an opportunity for schools to examine their learners' preparedness to meet global educational standards.
3. **Assessment Schedule.** The assessment shall be administered according to the following schedule:

Participating School	Division	Assessment Date
Saint Michael College of Caraga, Inc.	Agusan del Norte	October 5, 2026
Bangonay National High School	Agusan del Norte	October 6, 2026
Madrid National High School	Surigao del Sur	October 7, 2026
Antipolo National High School	Surigao del Sur	October 8, 2026
Bislig City National High School	Bislig City	October 9, 2026

4. **Responsibilities of Participating Schools.** All participating schools are directed to ensure the readiness of their assessment facilities, internet connectivity, computer equipment, power redundancy measures, assessment venues, and designated testing personnel in accordance with the standards and protocols set by the Monitoring and Evaluation Office and the PISA for Schools National Management Team



5. **Regional and Division Support Mechanisms.** The following members of the Regional Task Force for PISA for Schools 2026, created through the Memorandum entitled "Creation of the Regional Task Force of the PISA for Schools 2026 Implementation" shall oversee, supervise, and monitor the conduct of the assessment activities in the participating schools:

Name	Office	Position/Designation
Maria Ruth R. Edradan	DepEd Caraga	Education Program Supervisor/Regional Testing Coordinator
Nerison S. Pitogo Clifford Eco	DepEd Caraga	Computer Programmer
Julius Ceazar Binayao	DepEd Central Office (CO)-MEO	Technical Assistant/CO Monitor

6. Further, Schools Division Offices shall designate their own Task Force composed of the Field Testing Personnel trained in Tuguegarao and Butuan City, and other personnel as may be deemed necessary.

7. **Funds.** Traveling, meals, accommodation and other authorized expenses stipulated in previous issuances relative to the conduct of the PISA for Schools 2026 assessment shall be charged against the funds downloaded by the Central and Regional Offices to the SDOs and other available funds subject to the existing government accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

8. **Contact Information.** For queries and information, contact the Curriculum and Learning Management Division, through Maria Ruth R. Edradan, Education Program Supervisor, via email **maria.edradan@deped.gov.ph** , viber **09098402679**.

9. Immediate and widest dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

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