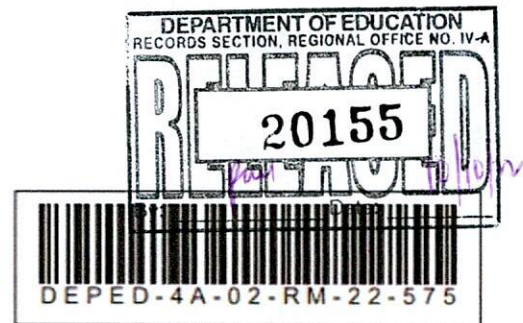




Republic of the Philippines  
**Department of Education**  
REGION IV-A CALABARZON



02 September 2022

**Regional Memorandum**

**REITERATION OF DEPED ORDER NO. 36 s. 2015 OR THE  
IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS (IRR) OF  
REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10618**

**To Schools Division Superintendents**

1. This Office reiterates the following provisions stipulated in DepEd Order No. 36 s. 2015 or the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of Republic Act No. 10618 titled "An Act Establishing Rural Farm Schools as Alternative Delivery Mode of Secondary Education and Appropriating Funds Therefor."

**Under Rule II: Establishment of Rural Farm Schools**

**Section 4.** Establishment of Public Rural Farm Schools. Within one (1) year after the effectivity of these Rules and Regulations, the Department shall encourage the establishment of at least one (1) public rural farm school in every province. The DepEd shall select among the identified public high schools in every province a school which may offer the rural farm school program. The DepEd shall give priority to existing agricultural and fishery schools. However, a new rural farm school may also be established.

The DepEd shall conduct assessment of all public secondary agricultural and fishery schools and family farm schools to determine the capability and readiness of the said schools to implement the program in a particular province.

**Section 5. Criteria in Determining Public Schools that may Implement the Rural Farm School Program.** The criteria in determining public schools that may offer the rural farm school program shall include but shall not be limited to the following:

- a) Must be outside the thirty-kilometer radius of an existing rural farm school;
- b) Must have qualified teachers/tutors as defined by the Act and technical support staff, instructional classroom, laboratories, and other facilities related to the program;
- c) Must have a Memorandum of agreement with the local government unit (LGU) and other existing partners; and
- d) Must have an established school governing council.



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**Section 7. Establishment of Private Rural Farm School.** Notwithstanding the provisions of the 2010 Revised manual of Regulations for Private Schools in Basic Education, the following requirements for the establishment of private rural farm schools are:

- a) Family farm association duly registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC);
  - b) Board Resolution of the family farm school association indicating adherence to four (4) pillars of the family farm school system;
  - c) Membership in a recognized national federation of family farm schools to assist the association in curriculum development/contextualization, training of school head and academic staff, capacity-building for administrative and technical staff, among others; and
  - d) Recognition and accreditation by DepEd.
2. For reporting of the recognized public and private Rural Farm Schools, refer to the attached template (Annex 1). Submit the report on or before October 13, 2022, via email at [virgilio.guevarra@deped.gov.ph](mailto:virgilio.guevarra@deped.gov.ph).
  3. For clarifications and queries, contact the Chief of the Curriculum and Learning Management Division (CLMD), **JOB S. ZAPE JR.**, or **VIRGILIO O. GUEVARRA, JR.**, Education Program Supervisor at (02) 8681-7249 local 420.
  4. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

  
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