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Regional Memorandum

No. 429 s. 2025

AMENDMENT TO REGIONAL MEMORANDUM NO. 439 S. 2023

To Schools Division Superintendents

- 1. In reference to DepEd Order No. 012 s. 2024 titled "Amendment to DepEd Order No. 010, s. 2024," this Office, through the Curriculum and Learning Management Division (CLMD), releases amendment to Regional Memorandum No. 439, s. 2023 on the Policy for the Implementation of Rural Farm School (RFS) in CALABARZON.
- 2. The reason of these changes is to align the policy of RFS with the implementation of the Revised K to 12 MATATAG Curriculum in terms of core secondary curriculum and time allotments. Beginning school year 2025-2026, all secondary schools offering the RFS Program shall adopt any of the following options:
 - a. All learning areas, except TLE will conduct classes for 45 minutes a day for five days, and Homeroom Guidance Program for 45 minutes once a week.
 - b. Learning areas may be given a uniform time allotment of 50, 55, and 60 minutes per learning area based on the following:
 - · Five times a week for English, Mathematics, Science and Values Education;
 - Four times a week for MAPEH, Aralin Panlipunan and Filipino; and
 - Once a week for Homeroom Guidance Program.

Items (a) and (b) shall include the following:

Learning Area	Grade Level	Number of minutes per week
TLE	Grade 7	240
	(Exploratory)	
	Grade 8-10 (Specialization)	450
Research 1	Grade 8	200
Research 2	Grade 9	200







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- Schools shall ensure fair and equitable distribution of teaching loads while protecting the overall welfare of teachers.
- 4. An additional provision in the guidelines is the participation in the division wide Agri-Festival Activity. It shall include, but should not be limited to the following:
 - a. presentation of researches related to the Agri-Fishery sector,
 - b. showcase of recently developed Agri-Fishery products,
 - c. talk of invited experts (from the locality, various related industries and government agencies) on the latest trends and technologies in the Agri-Fishery sector, and
 - d. Other related activities to increase RFS awareness and improve the skills of RFS teachers and learners.

The conduct of the Agri-Festival Activity shall coincide with the dates of the National TechVoc Day celebration. For this school year, Program Support Funds (PSF) shall be downloaded to Schools Division Offices offering the RFS program.

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- 6. Immediate and widest dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

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