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**Department of Education**  
REGION IV-A CALABARZON



**JULY 27, 2026**

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**CONDUCT OF PHASE 1: REVIEW AND ASSESSMENT OF  
REGIONAL MEMORANDUM NO. 217, S. 2021**

Relative to the Unnumbered Memorandum dated July 7, 2026, this Office  
announces that the aforementioned activity will be held in **Tanza Oasis Hotel and  
Resort, Tanza, Cavite.**

Other details in the Memorandum shall remain unchanged.

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Unnumbered Memorandum

**CONDUCT OF PHASE 1: REVIEW AND ASSESSMENT OF  
REGIONAL MEMORANDUM NO. 217, S. 2021**

To: **Schools Division Superintendents**

Schools Division Offices of Lipa City, Tayabas City, San Pablo City, Calamba City, Cabuyao City, General Trias City, Batangas City, Bacoor City, Quezon Province, Cavite Province, Cavite City, Dasmariñas City, Imus City, Biñan City, Laguna Province, Tanauan City, Sto. Tomas City, Batangas Province, Calaca City, and Rizal Province

1. This Office, through the Education Support Services Division, in collaboration with the Legal Unit, announces the conduct of **Phase 1: Review and Assessment of Regional Memorandum No. 217, s. 2021**, to be held on **August 05-07, 2026**. The venue of the aforementioned activity will be announced in a separate issuance.
2. This aims to include recent laws and DepEd Orders to ensure policies remain responsive, relevant, and sustainable in addressing evolving needs. More specifically, this activity aims to evaluate the current Memorandum, identify gaps, and gather stakeholder's feedback.
3. Participants in this activity are indicated in **Annex A** and the indicative program is attached as **Annex B**. Additionally, in lieu on the absence of the identified participant, the Schools Division Office may send representative/s provided however that the replacement is a Child Protection Specialist or has undergone any training relative to child protection.
4. As part of the pre-work assignment, all participants are hereby directed to review recent issuances from the Department of Education particularly:
  - a. DepEd Order No. 006, s. 2026 "Guidelines on Ensuring a Safe and Motivating Learning Environment";
  - b. DepEd Memorandum No. 090, s. 2025 "Revised Implementing Rules and Regulations of Anti-Bullying Act of 2013";
  - c. DepEd Memorandum OUOPS-2024-05-01115 "Guidelines on the Implementation of Safe Spaces Act in Basic Education";
  - d. DepEd Memorandum No. OUOPS-2024-05-07998 "Supplemental Guidelines for the Implementation of DepEd Order No. 40, s. 2012, or the DepEd Child Protection Policy"; and

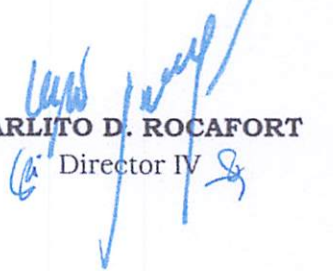


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- e. All other new issuances relevant to this activity
5. Travel and other related expenses incurred by all participants in this activity shall be charged against their local funds, subject to the existing accounting and auditing rules and regulations of the Department.
6. For inquiry, the Education Support Services Division at [essd.calabarzon@deped.gov.ph](mailto:essd.calabarzon@deped.gov.ph) or the Legal Unit at [legal.calabarzon@deped.gov.ph](mailto:legal.calabarzon@deped.gov.ph).
7. Strict compliance with this Memorandum is highly desired.

  
**CARLITO D. ROCAFORT**  
Director IV

**Annex A: List of Participants from the Regional Office**

| NAME                               | DESIGNATION                                        | FUNCTIONAL DIVISION |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Elinor S. Garcia                   | Chief Education Supervisor                         | ESSD                |
| Rochelle May M. Nisola             | Project Development Officer II                     |                     |
| Wilbert C. Ulpindo                 | Project Development Officer II                     |                     |
| Dianne C. Pomida                   | Technical Assistant II – SMHP                      |                     |
| Jomari U. Jovellar                 | Technical Assistant II - LRP                       |                     |
| Atty. Kelvin P. Matib              | Supervising Administrative Officer, OIC-Legal Unit | ASD                 |
| Atty. Joseph L. Cabanit            | Legal Officer                                      | ORD-Legal Unit      |
| Atty. Emmanuelle Narika Villabroza | Legal Officer                                      | ORD-Legal Unit      |
| Omer Licayao                       | Special Investigator III                           | ORD-Legal Unit      |
| Shiela May Gubat                   | Administrative Assistant I                         | ORD-Legal Unit      |

**List of Participants from the Schools Division Offices/Schools**

| NAME                                 | DESIGNATION                         | FOCAL PERSON                                           | SCHOOLS DIVISION OFFICE |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Jem Irise Pastrana                   | Project Development Officer I       | Division Learner Rights and Protection Focal Personnel | SDO Lipa City           |
| Maria Corazon Borbon                 | Education Program Supervisor        |                                                        | SDO Tayabas City        |
| Jeremy A. Dela Cruz                  | Project Development Officer I       |                                                        | SDO San Pablo City      |
| Jerwin L. Patiga                     | Project Development Officer I       |                                                        | SDO Calamba City        |
| Marvin Vicente                       | Senior Education Program Specialist |                                                        | SDO Cabuyao City        |
| Rencie O. Majillo                    | Project Development Officer I       |                                                        | SDO General Trias City  |
| Rhubie M. Silang                     | Project Development Officer I       |                                                        | SDO Batangas City       |
| Richard Gaytos                       | Project Development Officer I       |                                                        | SDO Bacoar City         |
| Hazel Ann S. Camo                    | Project Development Officer I       |                                                        | SDO Quezon Province     |
| Neil Ivan Lontoc                     | Project Development Officer I       |                                                        | SDO Cavite Province     |
| Atty. Brent Buliyat                  | Legal Officer                       | SDO Legal Officers                                     | SDO Cavite City         |
| Atty. Alexis Victor G. Balicas       | Legal Officer                       |                                                        | SDO Dasmariñas City     |
| Atty. Aaron Anthony S. Labordo       | Legal Officer                       |                                                        | SDO General Trias City  |
| Atty. Mario Tamondong Jr.            | Legal Officer                       |                                                        | SDO Imus City           |
| Atty. Pacifico Jacinto P. Medina Jr. | Legal Officer                       |                                                        | SDO Biñan City          |
| Atty. Allison Denisse A. Lescano     | Legal Officer                       |                                                        | SDO Calamba City        |
| Atty. Mary Grace A. Hinojosa         | Legal Officer                       |                                                        | SDO Laguna Province     |
| Atty. Lovelyn M. Atienza             | Legal Officer                       |                                                        | SDO Lipa City           |
| Atty. Roxanne T. Laqui               | Legal Officer                       |                                                        | SDO Tanauan City        |

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|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| <b>Atty. Kristian Ian Dale C. Datinguinoo</b> | <b>Legal Officer</b>                       |                                       | <b>SDO Sto. Tomas City</b>   |
| <b>Rosemarie J. Gonzales</b>                  | <b>Project Development Officer I</b>       | <b>Child Protection Specialists</b>   | <b>SDO Batangas Province</b> |
| <b>Edgar Marshall Briñas</b>                  | <b>Senior Education Program Specialist</b> |                                       | <b>SDO Tanauan City</b>      |
| <b>Florentina C. Rancap</b>                   | <b>Public Schools District Supervisor</b>  |                                       | <b>SDO Laguna Province</b>   |
| <b>Nicole May Lumanglas</b>                   | <b>Project Development Officer I</b>       |                                       | <b>SDO Tayabas City</b>      |
| <b>Atty. Gertrude Anunciacion</b>             | <b>Education Program Supervisor</b>        |                                       | <b>SDO Biñan City</b>        |
| <b>Edelyn H. Jamilan</b>                      | <b>Project Development Officer II</b>      |                                       | <b>SDO Calaca City</b>       |
| <b>Maria Ellaine Grifaldo</b>                 | <b>Education Program Specialist II</b>     |                                       | <b>SDO Dasmariñas City</b>   |
| <b>Michael M. Safred</b>                      | <b>Principal I</b>                         | <b>School Heads</b>                   | <b>SDO Tayabas City</b>      |
| <b>Jocelyn Manset</b>                         | <b>Principal IV</b>                        |                                       | <b>SDO Batangas Province</b> |
| <b>Felipe Magbuhos Jr.</b>                    | <b>Principal I</b>                         |                                       | <b>SDO Laguna Province</b>   |
| <b>Reyna Jolla Nasol</b>                      | <b>Principal IV</b>                        |                                       | <b>SDO Rizal Province</b>    |
| <b>Christian O. Acleta</b>                    | <b>Principal I</b>                         |                                       | <b>SDO Quezon Province</b>   |
| <b>Rio G. Gan</b>                             | <b>School-Based RGC</b>                    | <b>Registered Guidance Counselors</b> | <b>SDO Cavite Province</b>   |
| <b>Sheena Wella Arguelles</b>                 | <b>School-Based RGC</b>                    |                                       | <b>SDO Batangas City</b>     |
| <b>Maridel O. Monfero</b>                     | <b>School-Based RGC</b>                    |                                       | <b>SDO Laguna Province</b>   |
| <b>Abigail O. Viar</b>                        | <b>School-Based RGC</b>                    |                                       | <b>SDO Laguna Province</b>   |
| <b>Iris V. Mente</b>                          | <b>School-Based RGC</b>                    |                                       | <b>SDO Quezon Province</b>   |
| <b>Loida Lulu Deres</b>                       | <b>School-Based RGC</b>                    |                                       | <b>SDO Rizal Province</b>    |
| <b>Jean U. Basas</b>                          | <b>School-Based RGC</b>                    |                                       | <b>SDO Rizal Province</b>    |
| <b>Marian C. De Mesa</b>                      | <b>School-Based RGC</b>                    |                                       | <b>SDO Batangas Province</b> |

**Annex B: Indicative Program**

| <b>Day 1</b><br><b>August 05, 2026</b> |                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                                      |
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| <b>TIME</b>                            | <b>ACTIVITY</b>                                                                                                                             | <b>PERSONS RESPONSIBLE</b>                                                                                                           |
| 7:00 am – 9:00 am                      | Arrival and Registration of Participants                                                                                                    | <b>RO TWG</b>                                                                                                                        |
| 9:00 am – 9:30 am                      | Preliminaries<br>•Philippine National Anthem<br>•Opening Prayer<br>•Bagong Pilipinas Hymn<br>•Quality Policy Statement<br>•CALABARZON March | Audio-Visual Presentation                                                                                                            |
| 9:30 am – 9:40 am                      | Welcome Remarks and Statement of Purpose                                                                                                    | <b>Loida N. Nidea</b><br><i>Director III</i>                                                                                         |
| 9:40 am – 9:50 am                      | Inspirational Message                                                                                                                       | <b>Carlito D. Rocafort</b><br><i>Director IV</i>                                                                                     |
| 9:50 am – 10:00 am                     | Introduction of Participants                                                                                                                | <b>Elino S. Garcia</b><br><i>Chief, ESSD</i>                                                                                         |
| 10:00 am – 10:30 am                    | Overview of the Activity                                                                                                                    | <b>Rochelle May M. Nisola, RSW</b><br><i>Project Development Officer II</i>                                                          |
| 10:30 am – 10:45 am                    | <b>HEALTH BREAK</b>                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                      |
| 10:45 am – 12:00 nn                    | Review of Regional Memorandum No. 217, s. 2021 (Article 1)                                                                                  | <b>Atty. Joseph L. Cabanit</b><br><i>Legal Officer, Regional Office</i>                                                              |
| 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm                     | <b>LUNCH BREAK</b>                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                      |
| 1:00 pm – 3:30 pm                      | Review of Regional Memorandum No. 217, s. 2021 (Article 2, Sections 6-14)                                                                   | <b>Atty. Kelvin P. Matib</b><br><i>Supervising Administrative Officer, OIC-Legal Unit</i>                                            |
| 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm                      | Review of Regional Memorandum No. 217, s. 2021 (Article 2, Sections 15-16)                                                                  | <b>Maridel O. Monfero</b><br><i>Registered Guidance Counselor/ Child Protection Specialist/ Writer of RM 217 SDO Laguna Province</i> |
| 4:30 pm – 5:00 pm                      | Administrative Reminders                                                                                                                    | <b>RO TWG</b>                                                                                                                        |
| <b>DAY 2</b><br><b>August 06, 2026</b> |                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                                      |
| 8:00 am – 8:15 am                      | Recapitulation of Previous Day's Agreements                                                                                                 | <b>Dianne C. Pomida</b><br><i>Technical Assistant II - SMHP</i>                                                                      |
| 8:15 am – 9:30 am                      | Review of Regional Memorandum No. 217, s. 2021 (Article III and IV)                                                                         | <b>Atty. Kelvin P. Matib</b><br><i>Supervising Administrative Officer, OIC-Legal Unit</i>                                            |
| 9:30 am – 9:45 am                      | <b>HEALTH BREAK</b>                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                      |
| 9:45 am – 10:30 am                     | Review of Regional Memorandum No. 217, s. 2021 (Article V-VII, and Annexes)                                                                 | <b>Rochelle May M. Nisola, RSW</b><br><i>Project Development Officer II</i>                                                          |
| 10:30 am – 12:00 nn                    | Assessment of Regional Memorandum No. 217, s. 2021 (Focus Group Discussion)                                                                 | <b>Participants</b>                                                                                                                  |
| 12:00 nn to 1:00 pm                    | <b>LUNCH BREAK</b>                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                      |

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| 1:00 pm – 4:30 pm                      | Assessment of Regional Memorandum<br>No. 217, s. 2021<br>(Focus Group Discussion)          | <b>Participants</b>                                             |
| 4:30 pm – 5:00 pm                      | Administrative Reminders                                                                   | <b>RO TWG</b>                                                   |
| <b>DAY 3</b><br><b>August 07, 2026</b> |                                                                                            |                                                                 |
| 8:00 am – 8:15 am                      | Recapitulation of Previous Day's<br>Agreements                                             | <b>Dianne C. Pomida</b><br><i>Technical Assistant II - SMHP</i> |
| 8:15 am – 12:00 nn                     | Presentation of Outputs (Reviewed and<br>Assessed Regional Memorandum No.<br>217, s. 2021) | <b>Participants</b>                                             |
| 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm                     | <b>LUNCH BREAK</b>                                                                         |                                                                 |
| 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm                      | Presentation of Outputs (Reviewed and<br>Assessed Regional Memorandum No.<br>217, s. 2021) | <b>Participants</b>                                             |
| 3:00 pm onwards                        | <b>TRAVEL TIME</b>                                                                         |                                                                 |