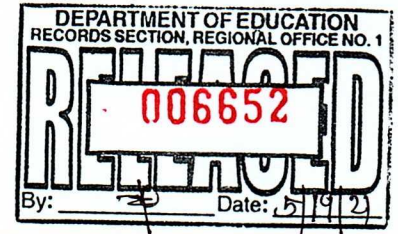




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REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

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**LAUNCHING OF READING FIRST FOR REGION ONE PROGRAM**

To: Schools Division Superintendents

1. The Department of Education Regional Office 1 (DepEd RO1) through the Curriculum and Learning Management Division shall launch **Reading First for Region One** program, DepEd Region 1's response to *Hamon: Bawat Bata Bumabasa* on June 8, 2021, 9:00 AM, via Facebook Live.

2. The program aims to contribute to DepEd's goal of developing holistic learners with 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills by improving the reading ability of learners across key stages. In consideration of the framework of the K to 12 Basic Education Curriculum, a distinctive target in terms of reading literacy has been formulated for each key stage. The targets are expected to be achieved through the following enabling objectives:

- a. Capacitate teachers across grade levels and learning areas to become effective reading teachers;
- b. Strengthen the implementation of reading intervention programs in the SDOs through research development and policy formulation;
- c. Bridge the gap in reading ability or proficiency of learners to meet the reading standards of their grade level;
- d. Expand access of teachers and learners to teaching and learning reading materials;
- e. Enhance skills of supervisors and school heads in giving technical assistance to reading teachers; and
- f. Recognize SDOs, schools, and teachers with effective reading instruction and program implementation.

3. The Schools Division of Dagupan City will host the virtual launching program. With the support of the technical team from SDO San Carlos City, the official *Reading First for Region One* logo will be unveiled at the launching program.

4. To highlight the activities or initiatives of Schools Division Offices (SDOs), particularly of schools across the region, SDOs are expected to upload a 2-minute video presentation of their best practices in teaching reading to [bit.ly/R1ReadingPractices](http://bit.ly/R1ReadingPractices) on or before May 28, 2021.

5. All DepEd Region 1 personnel across SDOs are enjoined to witness the launching program through DepEd Region 1's official Facebook Page.

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6. All actions associated to the launching program must follow the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases' health guidelines.
7. Should you have queries or concerns, please contact the Curriculum and Learning Management Division through email address [clmd.region1@deped.gov.ph](mailto:clmd.region1@deped.gov.ph) cc: [johnson.sunga@deped.gov.ph](mailto:johnson.sunga@deped.gov.ph) and [arabellamay.soniega@deped.gov.ph](mailto:arabellamay.soniega@deped.gov.ph).
8. For the information and compliance of all concerned.

  
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