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**REGIONAL MEMORANDUM**

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**EXTENSION AND ADDITIONAL GUIDELINES ON THE ADMINISTRATION  
 OF THE COMPUTER-BASED NATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT TEST FOR GRADE 12  
 (CB-NATG12) FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2025-2026**

To: Schools Division Superintendents

1. In reference to the Advisory issued by the Bureau of Education Assessment (BEA) dated March 11, 2026 regarding the Additional Guidelines and Extension of the Administration of the Computer-Based National Achievement Test for Grade 12 (CB-NATG12) for School Year 2025-2026, all concerned offices and schools are hereby informed that the administration of the CB-NATG12 originally scheduled from March 9-18, 2026 has been extended until the last school day of School Year 2025-2026 due to technical limitations encountered in the assessment platform affecting simultaneous access of examinees.
2. In this regard, sampled schools may administer the CB-NATG12 within the extended testing period provided that it is conducted on or before the last school day of SY 2025-2026. Schools that are unable to participate even within the extended testing period shall inform BEA through the Division Testing Coordinator and Regional Testing Coordinator.
3. Attached is the advisory on the additional guidelines and extension of the test for reference.
4. For inquiries, contact BEA-EAD at telefax number (02) 8631-2589 or email [bea.ead@deped.gov.ph](mailto:bea.ead@deped.gov.ph).
5. For information and guidance.

For the Regional Director:

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Encl.: None

Reference: Advisory No. 009, s. 2026

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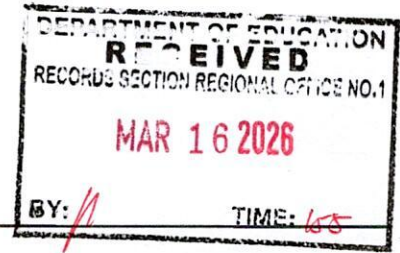


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**ADVISORY**  
**Additional Guidelines and Extension of the Administration of the**  
**Computer-Based National Achievement Test for Grade 12 (CB-NATG12)**  
**for School Year 2025-2026**

Pursuant to **DepEd Memorandum No. 014, s. 2026**, titled *Administration of the Computer-Based National Achievement Test for Grade 12 (CB-NATG12) for School Year 2025-2026*, the administration of the CB-NATG12 was scheduled from **March 9 to 18, 2026**.

Due to technical limitations encountered in the assessment platform affecting simultaneous access of examinees from sampled schools, adjustments in the test administration process and schedule are necessary.

In this regard, the administration of the **CB-NATG12 is hereby extended until the last school day of the School Year 2025-2026**, in accordance with **DepEd Order No. 012, s. 2025**, titled *Multi-Year Implementing Guidelines on the School Calendar and Activities*.

The following additional guidelines are hereby issued to support the continued administration of the CB-NATG12:

**PARTICIPATION CONDITIONS**

1. If the sampled schools have ongoing classes or scheduled activities, they may opt to administer the CB-NATG12 within the extended testing period, provided it is conducted on or before the last school day of School Year 2025-2026. If they are unable to participate even within the extended testing period, they must inform the Bureau of Education Assessment (BEA) through their respective Schools Division Office (SDO) and Regional Office (RO).
2. The administration of the CB-NATG12 during the extended period, including weekends, is optional and not mandatory.
3. Parental/guardian's consent shall be obtained should the sampled schools opt to conduct the CB-NATG12 on weekends.
4. Learners under the Government Assistance to Students and Teachers in Private Education (GASTPE) in sampled private schools that still have classes shall be given priority in scheduling.



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**ASSESSMENT PLATFORM**

1. To improve system stability and distribute platform access efficiently, the assessment platform will utilize separate configuration settings designated for NCR, Luzon, Visayas, and Mindanao.
2. All sampled schools shall download and install the updated Safe Exam Browser (SEB) configuration file through the following link:  
<https://tinyurl.com/CBNATG12SEBConfiguration>
3. Sampled schools shall ensure that the appropriate configuration is installed and downloaded on all testing computers prior to the scheduled test administration.
4. For sampled schools that opt to conduct the CB-NATG12 on weekends, the assessment platform shall be accessed only through the following servers:
  - <https://frontlearners.org>
  - <https://vis.frontlearner.org>
  - <https://min.frontlearner.org>

On weekends, each server supports a maximum of 5,000 concurrent users **only**.

5. For each session, learners shall be divided into two groups:
  - Group 1: Log in as scheduled.
  - Group 2: Log in 30 minutes later.
6. In case some learners fail to log in successfully, do not instruct them to reload or retry immediately. Instead:
  - Close the Safe Exam Browser (SEB) and relaunch after 30 minutes.
  - If the latest attempt still fails, the affected examinees shall be rescheduled per BEA guidance. They may return to their classes.

**HANDLING OF ANSWERS DURING LOGIN FAILURES**

1. The examinees may opt to record their answers on a clean sheet of paper, should any system errors or interruptions be encountered during the test. This will help the examinees easily select their response once the system reconnects or resumes, without the need to reread the test items from the beginning.
2. The Test Administrator shall immediately dispose of the paper containing the examinee's written answers after the completion of the test.



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**RESCHEDULING OF TEST ADMINISTRATION**

The following unforeseen circumstances may warrant the rescheduling of the test:

1. System downtime or server malfunctions
2. Unexpected power or internet interruptions
3. Force majeure or other extraordinary circumstances
4. Natural calamities (e.g., earthquake, typhoon, pandemic, high heat index)

**SCOPE AND LIMITATIONS**

The CB-NATG12 is part of the system assessment pursuant to **DepEd Order No. 29, s. 2017**. While the scope of the test covers the major core areas for the NATG12, the results are not intended for ranking or grading but are used for analysis and reporting purposes. Hence, the test does not measure individual performance.

**INQUIRY AND CONCERNS**

For system issues, connectivity problems, or other operational concerns, Regional and Division Testing Coordinators may contact the Education Assessment Division of this Bureau at (02) 8631-2589, email **bea.ead@deped.gov.ph**, or report them via the designated MS Teams Group Chat through the link: <https://tinyurl.com/CBNATG12Queries>

Immediate dissemination and strict compliance of this Advisory is hereby directed.

  
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