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REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

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IMPLEMENTATION SUPPORT AND COORDINATION FOR THE BAGONG PILIPINAS

To: Schools Division Superintendents

1. In reference to Memorandum-OM-OUGOPS-2026-01-01087 titled "Implementation Support and Coordination for the Bagong Pilipinas Merit Scholarship Program (BPMSP)" of the Commission on Higher Education (CHED), the Department of Education (DepEd), and the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA), all Schools Division Offices (SDOs) are hereby instructed to undertake the following actions stated in the attached Memorandum.

2. Under the Reporting and Data Provision, reports, data, or feedback relative to the implementation and promotion of the BPMSP shall be submitted to the link: <https://tinyurl.com/4379pt9y> for consolidation at the DepEd Regional Office until May 8, 2026 prior to submission to CHEDRO1. The data shall include but not limited to:

- a. Official List of Public and Private Senior High Schools offering Grades 11 and 12 disaggregated by grade level, track or strand, sex, and school year;
- b. Data on learners belonging to priority sectors or equity group, including those in Geographically Isolated, Disadvantaged, and Conflicts, and those identified under the last Mile Schools (LMS) Program; and
- c. Data on Senior High School completion, dropout, and transition rates to higher education or employment.

3. For other details, please read the attached Memorandum.

4. For questions and clarifications, please contact the Office of the Undersecretary for Governance and Operations through email at ouops@deped.gov.ph or via telephone at (02) 8633-5313.

5. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

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MEMORANDUM
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TO : **REGIONAL DIRECTORS**
SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS
ALL OTHERS CONCERNED

FROM : **MALCOLM S. GARMA**
Undersecretary for Governance and Operations

SUBJECT : **IMPLEMENTATION SUPPORT AND COORDINATION FOR THE**
BAGONG PILIPINAS MERIT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

DATE : April 24, 2026



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Pursuant to the Joint Memorandum Circular titled “Policies and Guidelines for the Bagong Pilipinas Merit Scholarship Program (BPMSP)” of the Commission on Higher Education (CHED), the Department of Education (DepEd), and the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA), all Regional Directors are hereby instructed to undertake the following actions:

Data Provision and Focal Person Designation - Each governance level must identify and designate a focal person who will facilitate the online application of applicants coming from Geographically Isolated, Disadvantaged, and Conflict-Affected areas (GIDCAs) utilizing the physical application form (Annex A) downloadable at this link: <https://bit.ly/BPMSP-ApplicationForm>.

In addition, the Joint CHED-DepEd Directory must be completed to ensure easier coordination of BPMSP implementation, which can be accomplished by accessing the following link: <https://forms.gle/b6uSP7U73F1ya6F77>.

- 1. Coordination and Implementation Support** - Coordination with CHED Regional Office (CHEDRO) counterparts must be undertaken to ensure the effective conduct of information dissemination campaigns and the overall implementation of the BPMSP program. Information materials, advisories, and other communications related to the program shall be disseminated to all



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Regional, Division, and District Offices, as well as to public and private Senior High Schools (SHS), to guarantee the widest reach of information. All materials can be accessed through the following link:
https://bit.ly/BPMSP-IEC_Materials.

In addition, a dedicated area must be established where SHS students and graduates can access the BPMSP portal, and assistance must be provided to them in completing their applications. Any systemic delays, disputes, or constraints affecting the timely issuance of academic credentials must be immediately reported to CHEDRO counterparts. Further coordination with CHEDRO and TESDA regional and provincial offices is required for the conduct of career guidance, scholarship orientation, and higher education readiness programs for Grades 11 and 12 students.

- 2. Reporting and Data Provision** - Reports, data, or feedback relevant to the implementation and promotion of the BPMSP shall be submitted to CHEDRO as reasonably requested. In addition, CHED and TESDA must be provided with periodic, updated, and validated data on SHS and SHS learners. This data shall include, but not be limited to:
 - a. The official list of public and private Senior High Schools offering Grades 11 and 12 disaggregated by grade level, track or strand, sex, and school year;
 - b. Data on learners belonging to priority sectors or equity groups, including those in Geographically Isolated, Disadvantaged, and Conflict-Affected Areas (GIDCA) and those identified under the Last Mile Schools (LMS) Program; and
 - c. Data on Senior High School completion, dropout, and transition rates to higher education or employment.

- 3. School-level Implementation** - All public and private Senior High Schools are enjoined to ensure the timely issuance of required certifications of academic ranking and other supporting documents of SHS graduates, and to actively assist in the dissemination of information about the BPMSP to their students and graduates, including details on participating universities and colleges delivering higher education institutions (DHEIs). Schools must encourage graduating students to apply to the BPMSP and provide assistance to eligible SHS graduating students who have difficulties or limitations in accessing facilities for online application, including facilitating the submission of documentary requirements.

A separate memorandum shall be issued to provide further detailed instructions for the virtual meeting of the upcoming caravan and the virtual orientation.

For questions or clarifications, you may contact this Office through email at ouops@deped.gov.ph or via telephone at (02) 8633-5313.

For your guidance.