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REGIONAL MEMORANDUM
No. 1360 s. 2026

EXTENSION OF DEADLINE FOR THE SUBMISSION OF QUALIFIED NOMINEES FOR THE INSTITUTION-BASED GRADUATE PROGRAM IN SPECIAL NEEDS AND INCLUSIVE EDUCATION FOR IN-SERVICE TEACHERS

To: Schools Division Superintendents

1. In reference to the Bureau of Learning Delivery (BLD) Advisory dated October 14, 2026, relative to DM-OULS-2026-381 titled *Call for and Selection of Applicants for the Institution-Based Graduate Program in Special Needs and Inclusive Education for In-Service Teachers*, the deadline for submission of the list of qualified scholars in partnership with the Philippine Normal University (PNU) is **extended until October 23, 2026**.

2. The list of recommended nominees from DepEd Region I may be found in Regional Memorandum No. 1281, s. 2026, which shall serve as the reference of the concerned Schools Division Offices (SDOs) in verifying their nominees and scholarship allocations.

3. SDOs that have not yet completed their recommended nominees are encouraged to identify and endorse potential scholars who meet the prescribed qualifications and documentary requirements of the scholarship program. The program is exclusively intended for permanent general education teachers handling Learners with Disabilities (LWDs). Personnel occupying non-teaching or Special Needs Education (SNED) teaching plantilla positions are not eligible.

4. All concerned SDOs shall ensure that their recommended nominees satisfy the program requirements and that the necessary documents are complete and submitted to the Regional Office within the extended deadline. The following provisions of the BLD Advisory shall be strictly observed:

a. Each SDO shall have two (2) qualified nominees to complete its allocated scholarship slots;
b. The official list of qualified scholars shall be duly approved by the Regional Director using the prescribed template in Annex B of the memorandum;
c. All documentary requirements shall be consolidated through the Regional Office. Only a Google Drive link containing the scanned documentary requirements shall be submitted via email. Hard copies shall not be sent to the DepEd Central Office, and individual submissions from nominees shall not be entertained; and
d. Any discrepancies in the recorded submissions shall be immediately reported to the BLD–Student Inclusion Division (BLD-SID) for verification and necessary correction.

5. For reference, the documentary requirements of the nominees shall be submitted through this Google Drive link: **https://tinyurl.com/fkzkdy55.**

6. For clarification and other concerns, please coordinate with the Curriculum and Learning Management Division (CLMD), DepEd Regional Office I through telephone number (072) 682-2324 local 120 and email at clmd.region1@deped.gov.ph

7. For information and guidance.

For the Regional Director:

ARNOLD I. VINO
Chief Administrative Officer
Finance Divsion

Encl.: None
Reference: As Stated

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October 14, 2026

In reference to DM-OULS-2026-381 titled **Call for and Selection of Applicants for the Institution-Based Graduate Program in Special Needs and Inclusive Education for In-Service Teachers**, this Office informs all Regional Offices that the deadline for submission of the list of qualified scholars for the scholarship program in partnership with the Philippine Normal University (PNU) is hereby extended until October 23, 2026.

All concerned Regional Offices are reminded of the following:

1. Each Schools Division Office (SDO) shall have two (2) qualified nominees to complete the allocated scholarship slots.
2. The program is exclusively intended for permanent general education teachers handling learners with disabilities (LWDs). Personnel holding non-teaching or SNED teaching plantilla positions are not eligible.
3. Regional Offices shall submit the official list of qualified scholars duly approved by the Regional Director, using the prescribed template in Annex B of the memorandum.
4. All documentary requirements shall be consolidated through the respective Regional Offices. Only a Google Drive link containing the scanned documentary requirements shall be submitted via email. No hard copies shall be sent to the DepEd Central Office. Individual submissions from nominees shall not be entertained.
5. Any discrepancies in the recorded submissions should be immediately reported to the BLD-SID for verification and necessary correction.

For submission, inquiries or clarifications, please contact the Bureau of Learning Delivery–Student Inclusion Division (BLD-SID), attention to **Mr. Mark Ryan F. Romero,** through email at **markryan.romero@deped.gov.ph,** with a copy furnished to bld.sid@deped.gov.ph.

Immediate dissemination of this Advisory is desired.

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REGIONAL MEMORANDUM
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CALL FOR AND SELECTION OF APPLICANTS FOR THE INSTITUTION-BASED GRADUATE PROGRAM IN SPECIAL NEEDS AND INCLUSIVE EDUCATION FOR IN-SERVICE TEACHERS

To: Schools Division Superintendents

1. Relative to DM-OULS-2026-381 dated August 19, 2026 titled "Call for and Selection of Applicants for the Institution-Based Graduate Program in Special Needs and Inclusive Education for In-Service Teachers," the Learning Systems Strand, through the Bureau of Learning Delivery-Student Inclusion Division (BLD-SID), hereby announces the call for selection to the said scholarship program.

2. This initiative aims to enhance the competencies of public elementary and secondary teachers on inclusive education, differentiated instruction, and disability-responsive pedagogies to better support learners with disabilities (LWDs) in basic education. This program forms part of DepEd's broader strategy to build a pool of qualified and competent receiving teachers who can effectively implement inclusive education in schools nationwide. It shall be a one (l)-year full scholarship leading to a Graduate Diploma in Special Needs and Inclusive education.

3. The program will be delivered in partnership with the Philippine Normal University (PNU). It is scheduled to commence in September 2026 to be delivered through full online classes.

4. The following are the general qualifications and documentary requirements:

General Qualifications:

Applicants must meet the following general qualifications:
a. Must be a permanent teacher under DepEd
b. Must have rendered at least three (3) years of continuous service
c. Must be currently handling LWDs in inclusive classes
d. Must have obtained at least a Very Satisfactory performance rating (IPCRF) for the last two (2) rating periods
e. Must not be currently a recipient of any other government-funded scholarship with service obligation
f. Must not be currently enrolled in any graduate school program
g. Must be physically and mentally fit to undertake graduate studies
h. Must be willing to sign a Return Service Agreement

Documentary Requirements:

Applicants must submit the following documentary requirements:
a. Updated Personal Data Sheet (PDS)
b. Certified True Copy of IPCRF (last two rating periods)
c. Service Record

d. Certification on current assignment as Receiving Teacher signed by School Head
e. One-page Letter of Intent stating motivation and proposed contributions upon completion
f. Endorsement from School Head and Schools Division Superintendent

5. The Schools Division Offices (SDOs), through their respective Division Scholarship Committees, with the assistance of the SGOD HRDS SEPS/EPS II and the Curriculum Implementation Division (CID) Special Needs and Inclusive Education Focal Person, shall conduct the preliminary screening of applicants and submit the list of qualified scholars, together with the required documentary requirements, based on the allotted slots through the following link: https://tinyurl.com/fkzkdy55 on or before September 30, 2026.

6. The allotted number of scholarship program recipients per region is provided as follows:

Division	Allotted Number of Slots
Alaminos City	2
Batac City	2
Candon City	2
Dagupan City	2
Ilocos Norte	2
Ilocos Sur	2
La Union	2
Laoag City	2
Pangasinan I	2
Pangasinan II	2
San Carlos City	2
San Fernando City	2
Urdaneta City	2
Vigan City	2

7. For queries and other concerns, please contact NEAP R1 through (072) 682-23-21 or email at clmd.region1@deped.gov.ph.

8. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

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Director IV/Regional Director

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