

Republic of the Philippines

Department of Education

Region III SCHOOLS DIVISION OF PAMPANGA

October 22, 2025

DIVISION MEMORANDUM No. 658, s. 2025

CONDUCT OF SCHOOL YEAR 2025-2026 IN-SERVICE TRAINING FOR TEACHERS (INSET)

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent

> Chief Education Supervisors **Education Program Supervisors** Public Schools District Supervisors

Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads

All Others Concerned

- Pursuant to MemorandumDM-OUHROD-2025-095 titled on the Conduct of the School Year 2025-2026 In-Service Training (INSET) for Teachers, issued by the Office of the Undersecretary for Learning Systems, this Office, through the School Governance and Operations Division-Human Resource Development Section (SGOD-HRDS), informs all schools of the guidelines for the conduct of the above activity.
- 2. For the purpose of smooth and proper conduct of the Midyear INSET, all concerned implementers are advised to refer to the following attached issuances:
 - a. DepEd Memorandum DM-OULS-2025-095 (Guidelines on the Conduct of the School-Year 2025-2026 In-Service Training for Teachers (INSET)
 - b. DepEd Memorandum dated October 22, 2025 (Declaration of Midyear Break as Wellness Break and Guidelines for Professional Development Activities
 - c. DepEd Memorandum DM-OUHROD-2025-2949 (Vacation Service Credits for Voluntary Participation in Professional Development Activities During the Midyear Break)
- In order to facilitate the monitoring of the approved Professional Development Programs (PDPs) for INSET, school heads/program proponents are advised to access the link below for encoding on or before October 30, 2025.



https://tinyurl.com/SY25-26MidvearINSET

4. For wide and immediate dissemination.

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OFFICE OF THE UNDERSECRETARY FOR LEARNING SYSTEMS

MEMORANDUM DM-OULS-2025- 095

TO

Regional Directors

Schools Division Superintendents

Human Resource Development Division Chiefs

Curriculum and Learning Management Division Chiefs School Governance and Operations Division Chiefs

Curriculum Implementation Division Chiefs

All Others Concerned

Carmela Caraison

FROM

CARMELA C. ORACION

Assistant Secretary Officer-in-Charge

Undersecretary for Learning Systems

SUBJECT

GUIDELINES ON THE CONDUCT OF THE SCHOOL YEAR 2025-2026 IN-SERVICE TRAINING FOR TEACHERS (INSET)

DATE

29 September 2025

- In support of the Department's sustained commitment to the continuous professional development of teachers, the National Educators Academy of the Philippines (NEAP) hereby issues the following guidelines on the conduct of the In-Service Training for Teachers (INSET) on 27-30 October 2025 pursuant to DepEd Order No. 12, s. 2025 titled, Multiyear Implementing Guidelines on the School Calendar and Activities.
- 2. The conduct of the INSET shall be guided by the primary goal of strengthening teacher competencies for enhanced learning delivery in all classrooms and learning centers. Specifically, INSET shall focus on any of the following key training content:
 - a. Reflective practice and instructional refinement in the implementation of the:
 - i. Revised K to 12 Curriculum
 - ii. ARAL-Reading Program
 - b. Strengthening inclusive instruction
 - c. Strategies for promoting literacy and numeracy
 - d. Strategies for developing critical and creative thinking as well as other higher order thinking skills
 - e. Instructional strategies for non-major teachers handling Filipino in Junior and Senior High School
 - f. Empowering teachers on Socio-Emotional Learning (SEL) in classroom instruction



g. Strategies for supporting continuity of learning during emergency situations through flexible modalities

h. Accelerating digital adoption for effective and accessible learning delivery

i. Strengthening instruction and assessment in the Alternative Learning System

j. Enhanced delivery of Guidance services by Guidance designates in schools

k. Other emerging needs based on teachers' individual professional development plan

- 3. All Schools Division Superintendents and School Heads shall ensure the implementation of SY 2025–2026 INSET in accordance with prescribed guidelines, providing appropriate professional development programs for all K to 12 teachers based on their needs. Regional Directors are likewise enjoined to extend technical guidance and support to their respective Schools Division Offices to facilitate the effective preparation and conduct of the INSET.
- 4. To ensure quality in the preparation and delivery of the INSET, refer to DM-OUHROD-2024-1576 titled, Guidelines on the Conduct of Regional Office-, Schools Division Office-, and School-Developed Professional Development Programs for FY 2024 and its enclosures through the link tinyurl.com/DM241576.
- INSET may be organized and delivered either at the school level (school-based INSET) or division/district level (cluster-based INSET).
- 6. Pursuant to DM-OUHROD-2025-0586 titled Guidelines on the Utilization of the FY 2025 Human Resource Development (HRD) Fund, expenses related to the conduct of INSET shall be chargeable against the HRD Funds directly released to the Schools Division Offices (SDOs) and the available FY 2024 Continuing Funds, subject to existing government accounting and auditing rules and regulations.
- 7. The expenses for school-based INSET may also be funded through the Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses (MOOE), in accordance with DepEd Order No. 008, s. 2019 or the Revised Implementing Guidelines on the Direct Release and Use of MOOE Allocation of Schools, Including Other Funds Managed by School, and subject to the usual government accounting and auditing rules and regulations.
- 8. To ensure effective implementation and documentation of INSET activities, all Schools Division Offices (SDOs) through the SGOD HRDS and SMME, shall submit consolidated INSET completion reports using the prescribed NEAP format to their Regional Offices (ROs). Likewise, ROs through the HRDD/NEAP-R, shall submit the RO-consolidated reports to NEAP Central Office via tinyurl.com/eoy2025inset on or before 14 November 2025.
- For queries, please contact Director Michael Joseph P. Cabauatan, NEAP Director III, by email neap.od@deped.gov.ph or telephone number (02) 8638-8638.
- 10. For immediate dissemination and strict compliance.





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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

MEMORANDUM

FOR

REGIONAL DIRECTORS

SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS

SCHOOL HEADS

ALL OTHERS CONCERNED

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FROM

ATTY. NATIMA LIPP D. PANONTONGAN

Undersecretary and Chief of Staff

Office of the Secretary

CARMELA C. ORACION

Assistant Secretary

Officer-in-Charge

Office of the Undersecretary for Learning Systems

SUBJECT

DECLARATION OF MIDYEAR BREAK AS WELLNESS BREAK

AND GUIDELINES FOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

ACTIVITIES

DATE

October 22, 2025

This is to inform all concerned that the Midyear Break scheduled this year from October 27 to 30, 2025 shall be declared a Wellness Break for teachers, in light of DepEd Order No. 012, s. 2025.

This Midyear Break is a recognition of the need to support the overall well-being of our teaching personnel, which is a critical foundation of education quality, as stated in the Secretary's five-point reform agenda.

Schools and divisions must still conduct In-Service Training (INSET) and professional development programs on any other preferred dates within the remaining days of School Year 2025–2026 since these activities are intended to enhance teaching competencies and instructional effectiveness and to align the core programs and strategic initiatives of this Department.

The conduct of activities must not interfere with classes and may be integrated through school-based training and utilization of learning action cells. These activities may still be funded through existing Human Resource Training and Development (HRTD) funds that have been directly released to the Schools Division Offices (SDOs).

In view of the foregoing, for schools and divisions that have prepared and scheduled professional development programs for teachers during the Midyear Break period, procured venues and meals may be requested for a change of date based on prevailing procurement and auditing rules. If change of date is unfeasible, since the procured venues and meals can no longer be rescheduled, activities may still be conducted voluntarily. Teachers who participate voluntarily shall be exempt from subsequent activities on the same topic within the school year.

To ensure proper coordination and monitoring, school heads are required to submit their plans for professional development activities to their respective SDO through the School Governance and Operations Division (SGOD), while division plans for the conduct of INSET activities must be submitted to the Human Resource Development Division/National Educators Academy of the Philippines in the Region (HRDD/NEAP-R). The SGOD and HRDD/NEAP-R shall ensure activities are still conducted by the end of the school year.

This Memorandum modifies inconsistent provisions of DM-OULS-2025-095 in view of the declaration of the Wellness Break.

For your guidance and compliance.

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Department of Education

OFFICE OF THE UNDERSECRETARY HUMAN RESOURCE AND ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

MEMORANDUM DM-OUHROD-2025-2949

TO : ALL REGIONAL DIRECTORS

ALL SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS

ALL SCHOOL HEADS

FROM

WILFREDOVE, CABRAL

Undersecretary

Human Resource and Organizational Development

SUBJECT

VACATION SERVICE CREDITS FOR VOLUNTARY

PARTICIPATION IN PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

ACTIVITIES DURING THE MIDYEAR BREAK

DATE

October 23, 2025

In line with the declaration of the Midyear Break from October 27 to 30, 2025 as a Wellness Break for teachers, and in recognition of the commitment of teaching personnel to continuous professional growth and development, Vacation Service Credits (VSC) shall be granted to teachers who voluntarily participate in pre-procured and pre-planned professional development programs as well as other DepEd activities during the said period.

Teachers who attend these activities voluntarily shall be granted 1.5 days VSC per eight (8) hours of rendered services, inclusive of the maximum limitation under DepEd Order 13, s. 2024, provided that the activities are pre-approved activities conducted by the Central Office, Regional Office, or Schools Division Offices (SDO). These activities may include training or professional development, planning or policy workshops, output-based activities such as writeshops, and other such approved activities that teachers were requested to attend and which are aligned with the Department's strategic initiatives or professional development goals.

This aims to acknowledge the dedication of teachers who choose to engage in professional development during their break and ensures that their efforts are duly compensated. All concerned are enjoined to ensure proper documentation and











submission of attendance and activity reports to facilitate the granting and processing of VSCs.

For your guidance and compliance.

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