



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
REGION III
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF PAMPANGA

March 16, 2026

DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. 197, s. 2026

**ADMINISTRATION OF THE MENTAL ABILITY TEST (MAT) FOR GRADE 1
TO ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS OFFERING SPECIAL SCIENCE
CURRICULUM (SSC)**

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chief Education Supervisors
Education Program Supervisors
Public Schools District Supervisors
Public Elementary School Heads
SSES Coordinators of Public Elementary Schools

1. This Office, through the Curriculum Implementation Division (CID), announces the administration of the **Mental Ability Test (MAT)** to incoming Grade 1 learners who will compose the Special Science Class in SSES implementing schools.
2. All school SSES coordinators shall receive the testing materials from the Curriculum Implementation Division (CID) Office on **March 24, 2026**, for schools administering the mental ability test on **March 25-28, 2026**. They are likewise directed to return the testing materials right after the administration of the test.
3. The Division EPS in charge, Dr. Ana Marie B. Castaneda, shall monitor to ensure smooth and well-organized conduct.
4. In line with this, an **online meeting** with the SSES Coordinators is scheduled on **March 19, 2026**, at **2:00 PM** via Google Meet to discuss the process and flow of the conduct to ensure smooth and well-organized administration.
5. The SSES Coordinators are advised to **follow the schedule** of the administration of the test based on the given schedule. Enclosed are the list of SSES implementing schools and the schedule of the examination for your information and guidance.
6. It is requested that the SSES Coordinators and Science teachers of the SSES implementing schools assist in the administration of the test.



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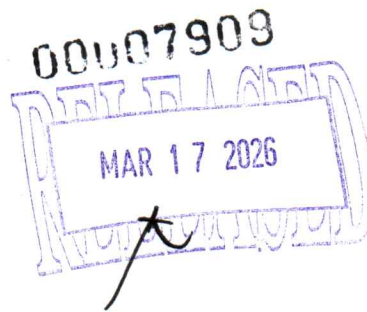


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7. Teacher-participants who will serve on a **Saturday**, shall be entitled to vacation service credits according to DepEd Order No. 13, s. 2024, (*Revised Guidelines for Teachers, or DepEd Order No. 009, s. 2025, Amendment to DepEd Order No. 009, s. 2024 Implementing Guidelines on the School Calendar and Activities for the School Year 2024-2025*).
8. This division memorandum shall serve as the **travel authority** of all concerned.
9. Wide dissemination of this Memorandum to all concerned is earnestly desired.

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SCHOOLS & SCHEDULE

Date	Time	Name of School
March 25, 2026	AM	Don Antonio Lee Chi Uan Integrated School
		Magalang Elementary School
		Pandacaqui Resettlement Elementary School
	PM	Porac Elementary School
		Floridablanca New Settlement Elementary School
March 26, 2026	AM	San Matias Elementary School
		Guagua Elementary School
	PM	Arayat Central Elementary School
		San Vicente Elementary School Apalit
March 27, 2026	AM	Mexico Elementary School
		San Miguel Elementary School
	PM	Mitla Elementary School
		Manibaug Elementary School
March 28, 2026	AM	Minalin Elementary School



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