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SUBJECT : **YEAR 2 (SY 2026-2027) PATHFINDER SCHOOLS FOR ADB-SUPPORTED PROJECT WITH KHAN ACADEMY PHILIPPINES**

DATE : February 4, 2026

Relative to Memorandum No. OM-OUOPS-2025-02-06828 dated October 30, 2025, entitled *Implementation of the Asian Development Bank-Supported Digital Learning and Infrastructure Support Project in Partnership with Khan Academy Philippines*, the Department of Education hereby announces the **additional twenty (20) Pathfinder Schools** that shall be part of this project **starting School Year (SY) 2026-2027**. The list of these schools is attached as Annex A.

Together with the thirty-four (34) Pathfinder Schools that commenced participation in SY 2025-2026, and additional 20 schools will be added for the SY 2026-2027 implementation, a total of fifty-four (54) Pathfinder Schools across 17 regions of the country will benefit from the project. The project focuses on enabling effective use of Khan Academy's learning platform, including Khanmigo, its AI-powered assistant for teachers and tutor for learners, with targeted infrastructure support provided only where necessary, based on school needs. The project also aims to strengthen teachers' capacity to deliver technology-enabled and data-informed instruction that supports DepEd's Revised K-10 Curriculum, thereby enhancing teaching and learning in Mathematics and Science.

In preparation for the implementation of the project in SY 2026-2027, the principals of the second cohort of 20 Pathfinder Schools are required to attend the following activities:



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- **Required Online orientation** on Wednesday, **February 11, 2026, from 9:00AM to 11:00AM** via Zoom through the following link: www.bit.ly/Year2ADBKAPHPrincipals.
- **Required in-person planning for SY 2026-2027** on **March 14, 2026, from 8:00AM to 5:00PM** at the **PwC Training Center at Tower 1, Rockwell Business Center, Ortigas, Pasig City**. Registration shall start at 7:00AM. This collaborative session aims to provide a venue for Pathfinder Schools to identify strategies for the succeeding school year and to serve as an opportunity for turnover planning for SY 2026-2027.

Khan Academy Philippines shall provide round-trip transportation, accommodation on a room-sharing basis, and local transportation from the hotel to the venue and vice versa. Participants coming from outside Metro Manila are expected to arrive in Manila on March 13, attend the full-day activity on March 14, and return to their respective home bases on March 15, 2026.

For purposes of coordination and travel arrangements, principals are requested to provide the necessary information through this link: www.bit.ly/ADBTravelDirectory **on or before February 6, 2026.**

Participants who shall render services beyond the regular working hours, including Saturdays and Sundays, in connection with the conduct of this activity shall be entitled to Compensatory Time-Off (CTO) for non-teaching personnel and Service Credits for teaching personnel, subject to all existing Civil Service Commission and Department of Education rules and regulations.

For inquiries or clarifications, all concerned offices may contact Khan Academy Philippines through email at adb@khanacademyphilippines.org.

Immediate dissemination of and strict compliance with this Memorandum are directed.

ANNEX A: YEAR 2 PATHFINDER SCHOOLS

	Region	Division	School Name and ID
1	CAR	Baguio City	136409 Fort del Pilar Elementary School
2	R1	Pangasinan I	300233 Pangasinan NHS
3	R1	Candon City	100445 Patpata Elementary School
4	R2	Tuguegarao City	300668 Cagayan NHS
5	R2	Cagayan	102570 Buguey South Central School
6	R4A	Batangas	107266 Centex Batangas
7	R4A	Tayabas City	301347 Luis Palad Integrated High School
8	R4B	Oriental Mindoro	110662 San Teodoro Central School
9	R4B	Puerto Princesa City	111494 Sta. Lourdes Elementary School
10	R4B	Romblon	301765 Looc National High School
11	R5	Masbate	302134 F. Alindogan National High School
12	R6	Capiz	302396 Cuartero National High School
13	R6	Roxas City	501358 President Manuel A. Roxas Mem Integrated Schl - SPED
14	R7	Lapu-lapu City	119970 Pusok Elementary School
15	R8	Tacloban City	500489 Ridge View Park Integrated School
16	R8	Eastern Samar	303513 Llorente National High School
17	R11	Davao de Oro	304181 Compostela National High School
18	R11	Davao del Norte	128634 Magsaysay Elementary School
19	R12	General Santos City	131271 Francisco Oringo Sr. Elementary School
20	Caraga	Surigao del Sur	132671 Cantilan East Central Elementary School