



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
REGION VIII - EASTERN VISAYAS

July 16, 2026

REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

No. **913** s. 2026

**IMPLEMENTATION OF THE TINKER TOUR PROGRAM IN PUBLIC AND
PRIVATE SCHOOLS FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2026-2027**

To: Schools Division Superintendents
All Others Concerned

1. In reference to the communication of the Chief Executive Officer of Tinker House requesting the implementation of the Tinker Tour Program in public and private schools for School Year 2026-2027, this Office hereby endorses the said initiative to all Schools Division Offices in Region VIII for appropriate dissemination and support, consistent with existing Department of Education (DepEd) policies and issuances.
2. The Department of Education Regional Office VIII recognizes Tinker House as an institutional partner pursuant to the existing Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) executed between the Department and the organization. The partnership seeks to advance innovative, experiential, and learner-centered education by providing engaging learning experiences anchored on Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics (STEAM), thereby enriching classroom instruction and fostering learners' creativity, critical thinking, collaboration, problem-solving, and innovation competencies.
3. Accordingly, all Schools Division Offices are hereby directed to:
 - a. Disseminate this Memorandum and the accompanying communication of Tinker House to all public and private elementary and secondary schools within their respective jurisdictions;
 - b. Provide appropriate technical and administrative support to schools that signify their intention to participate in the implementation of the Tinker Tour Program;
 - c. Coordinate with Tinker House representative, **Ms. Abbie Amos** at mobile no. **0906-656-5951** or at **email team@tinkerhouseph.com**, where necessary, to facilitate the orderly conduct of the program in accordance with applicable DepEd policies; and
 - d. Ensure that the implementation of the program remains consistent with existing policies on learner safety, school governance, and partnerships.
4. Participation of learners in the Tinker Tour Program shall remain **strictly voluntary**. Nevertheless, schools are highly encouraged to support the initiative in view of its educational value and its contribution to enhancing learners' interest and competencies in STEAM education.

5. Schools are reminded that the implementation of the program shall not disrupt regular classroom instruction. In accordance with existing DepEd policies on maximizing instructional time and ensuring the uninterrupted delivery of the curriculum, schools shall schedule the conduct of the Tinker Tour activities outside the instructional block, preferably during the Opening Block or the Closing Block of each academic term, or at other appropriate periods authorized by the school, provided that no regular learning sessions are displaced.
6. School Heads shall exercise due diligence in the planning and implementation of the activity, ensuring compliance with existing policies on child protection, learner safety, risk management, parental consent where applicable, and other pertinent DepEd issuances governing school-based activities and external partnerships.
7. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum are desired.


SALUSTIANO T. JIMENEZ JD, EdD, CESO III
Regional Director

Enclosures: as stated

References: as stated

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index under the following subjects:
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Request for the Issuance of a Regional Memorandum and Advisory for the Implementation of the Tinker Tour Program for School Year 2026-2027

Dear Dir. Jimenez,

Warm greetings from Tinker House Inc.!

Tinker House Inc. remains committed to supporting the Department of Education's goals of promoting innovative, experiential, and learner-centered education through engaging STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics) learning experiences. The Tinker Tour Program provides interactive, hands-on activities that enhance learners' creativity, critical thinking, collaboration, communication, and problem-solving skills while complementing classroom instruction. Following its successful implementation in previous school year, we look forward to continuing this meaningful initiative for School Year 2026-2027.

In this regard, Tinker House respectfully **requests the issuance of a Regional Memorandum and Advisory for the implementation of the Tinker Tour Program for School Year 2026-2027** in public and private schools across Region VIII. The issuance of the Memorandum and Advisory will greatly assist Schools Division Offices and schools in coordinating and facilitating the conduct of the program within their respective areas. As in previous implementations, participation shall remain voluntary and subject to existing DepEd policies and school regulations.

We sincerely hope for your favorable consideration of this request and look forward to continuing our valued partnership with the Department of Education Region VIII in providing meaningful learning opportunities for learners throughout the region.

Thank you very much for your continued support and consideration.

Respectfully,

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Invitation to Join the Tinker Tour: A STEAM School Roadshow (SY 2026–2027)

Dear _____,

Warm greetings from Tinker House!

Tinker House is a Leyte-based education company committed to making STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics) learning engaging, accessible, and hands-on for every child. Since our founding, we have reached more than 250,000 learners nationwide through activity centers, after-school programs, school workshops, and mobile learning experiences. Our mission is to inspire curiosity, foster creativity, and develop critical thinking and problem-solving skills through meaningful, play-based learning.

In partnership with the Department of Education Regional Office VIII and the Department of Science and Technology Regional Office VIII, we are pleased to invite your school to participate in the Tinker Tour: A STEAM School Roadshow for School Year 2026–2027.

The Tinker Tour is a mobile STEAM learning program that transforms schools into interactive innovation spaces where learners explore science, technology, engineering, arts, and mathematics through exciting hands-on activities, immersive exhibits, and engaging challenges. The program is designed to complement classroom instruction while promoting creativity, collaboration, and experiential learning aligned with the Department of Education's vision of developing future-ready learners.

Program Highlights

- Interactive, hands-on STEAM activities aligned with age-appropriate learning competencies
- Engaging exhibits and learning stations that encourage exploration and discovery
- Fun challenges and experiments that strengthen creativity, critical thinking, communication, and collaboration
- A unique learning experience that promotes curiosity and innovation beyond the classroom

For School Year 2026–2027, our goal is to reach 50,000 learners across Eastern Visayas, and we are honored to invite your school to become one of our partner schools. Schools may participate through either of the following options:

1. School-Hosted Tour – Coordinate with your Parents-Teachers Association (PTA), school stakeholders, or local partners to host the Tinker Tour in your school.
2. Beneficiary School – Register as a beneficiary school, and Tinker House will endeavor to connect your school with sponsors and partner organizations to support the program.

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Through either option, your learners will have the opportunity to experience interactive STEAM education that nurtures curiosity, builds confidence, and equips them with essential 21st-century skills in a fun and meaningful environment.

Attached to this letter are the program overview and implementation details for your reference. Our team will be pleased to coordinate with your office regarding scheduling, logistical requirements, and program implementation. Tinker House will provide all necessary learning materials, equipment, and trained facilitators to ensure a safe, organized, and enriching experience for your learners.

We sincerely hope for your favorable consideration and look forward to partnering with your school in bringing inspiring STEAM learning experiences to your learners.

For inquiries and coordination, please contact our Partnership Coordinator:

Ms. Abbie Amos
Partnership Coordinator
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Thank you, and we look forward to your positive response.

Respectfully,

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