



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

August 13, 2026

REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

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**REGIONAL CONSULTATIVE CONFERENCE WITH SCHOOLS DIVISION OFFICE
(SDO) PRIVATE SCHOOLS COORDINATORS AND PRESIDENTS
OF PRIVATE SCHOOL ASSOCIATIONS**

To: Schools Division Superintendents
Functional Division Chiefs
Presidents of Private Schools Associations
All Others Concerned

1. To strengthen inclusive quality education and reinforce partnership mechanisms between the Department of Education (DepEd) Region VIII and the private education sector, this Office, through the Quality Assurance Division (QAD), shall conduct the Regional Consultative Conference with SDO Private Schools Coordinators and Presidents of Private School Associations from the thirteen (13) Schools Division Offices on **September 3, 2026**, at the RELC-NEAP, DepEd Regional Office VIII.

2. Specifically, the conference aims to:

a. orient participants on the standard guidelines and protocols for conducting the Expanded Government Assistance to Students and Teachers in Private Education (E-GASTPE) validation, with emphasis on verification of eligibility and validation of the actual existence of qualified grantees;

b. formulate strategic directions, implementation timelines, and the overall program framework for the 2026 Regional Private Schools Summit;

c. identify priority policy concerns, governance issues, and capacity-building initiatives to be addressed during the 2026 Regional Private Schools Summit; and

d. strengthen collaboration by establishing a sustainable coordination and communication mechanism between DepEd Region VIII and the Private School Associations representing the thirteen (13) SDOs.

3. The expected participants in the conference are as follows:

PARTICIPANTS	EXPECTED NO. OF PARTICIPANTS
SDO Private Schools Coordinators	13
SDO Private Schools Association Presidents	13
Quality Assurance Division Personnel	8



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Members of the Regional E-GASTPE Validating Team/ Representatives	6
TOTAL NO OF PARTICIPANTS	40

4. Expenses for the provision of one (1) lunch and two (2) snacks for the participants shall be charged against the Quality Assurance Division (QAD) funds, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

5. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum are desired.


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 Regional Director

Enclosure: None

Reference: None

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index under the following subjects

ATTENDANCE

CONFERENCES

PRIVATE SCHOOLS

QAD-RRC

