



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

September 28, 2026

REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

No. **1266** s. 2026

PARTICIPANTS IN THE SPECIAL NEEDS EDUCATION FORUM

To: Schools Division Superintendents
All Others Concerned

- Attached is **DM-OULS-2026-414** dated September 24, 2026, announcing the conduct of the **Special Needs Education Forum on September 30 – October 2, 2026** at the National Capital Region.
- Relative to the conduct of this activity, this Office shall be represented by the following officials and key program implementers from the Regional Office and Schools Division Offices (SDOs):

NAME	POSITION	OFFICE
Marilyn B. Siao	Assistant Regional Director	DepEd RO-VIII
Gertrudes C. Mabutin	CLMD Chief	
Dean M. Endriano	Regional SNED Supervisor	
Wilson A. Aureo	Education Program Supervisor	Baybay City
Roberto N. Mangaliman	SDS	Biliran
Ma. Teresa B. Bagas	Assistant School Head	Borongan City
Renato S. Cagumoc	CID Chief	Calbayog City
Carmen R. Lim	Division SNED Supervisor	Catbalogan City
Jovita Holanda	School Head	Eastern Samar
Teodorico C. Peliño, Jr.	OIC-ASDS	Leyte
Elena S. De Luna	ASDS	Maasin City
Antonio P. Delos Reyes	ASDS	Northern Samar
Alejandro S. Almendras	CID Chief	Ormoc City
Glendo T. Carido	CID Chief	Samar
Charity P. Nogra	Division SNED Supervisor	Southern Leyte
Miguel Jr. Dumas	Division SNED Supervisor	Tacloban City

- Travel expenses to be incurred in the activity shall be charged against local funds/MOOE/SNED PSF of the respective participants, subject to the existing accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

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


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Regional Director

Enclosure: None

Reference: DM-_____

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index under the following subjects:

FORUM
INCLUSIVE EDUCATION
ISSUES AND CONCERNS
SPECIAL NEEDS EDUCATION

CLMD-DME

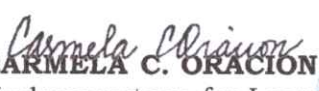




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OFFICE OF THE UNDERSECRETARY FOR LEARNING SYSTEMS

MEMORANDUM
DM-OULS-2026-414

TO : **ALL REGIONAL DIRECTORS**

FROM : 
CARMELA C. ORACION
Undersecretary for Learning Systems

SUBJECT : **PARTICIPATION IN THE SPECIAL NEEDS EDUCATION (SNED) FORUM**

DATE : **SEPTEMBER 24, 2026**

In line with the Department of Education's (DepEd) goal of delivering quality, accessible, relevant, responsive, and inclusive basic education for learners with disabilities pursuant to Republic Act (RA) No. 11650 (Inclusive Education Act), the Learning Systems Strand, through the Bureau of Learning Delivery - Student Inclusion Division (BLD-SID), will conduct the **Special Needs Education (SNED) Forum** from **September 30 to October 2, 2026**, within **National Capital Region (NCR)**. The specific venue shall be announced through a separate advisory.

With the theme **"SNED 2.0: Working Together, Delivering Better,"** the SNED Forum aims to serve as a collaborative platform for instructional leaders to discuss how to standardize the SNED Program implementation anchored on RA 11650. Specifically, it aims to:

- A. Assess the current status of SNED implementation in relation to RA 11650;
- B. Identify major implementation gaps in the SNED implementation; and
- C. Propose targeted action steps to standardize the SNED implementation anchored on RA 11650.

Participants in the activity are selected instructional leaders from the regional offices (ROs) and schools division offices (SDOs) as follows:

- A. **From ROs:** Regional Directors/Assistant Regional Directors and Curriculum and Learning Management Division (CLMD) Chiefs/Regional SNED Education Program Supervisors (EPS)/Focal Persons; and
- B. **From SDOs:** Schools Division Superintendents/Assistant Schools Division Superintendents/Division SNED EPS/Focal Persons. (See *Annex A: Distribution of Participants per Region*).

Participants are requested to register online through this link: <https://tinyurl.com/SNEDForum2026>. They are also requested to bring their **laptop, extension cord, and pocket Wi-Fi** and wear their **regional T-shirt on Day 1** and **smart casual attire on Days 2 and 3** of the activity.



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To ensure judicious utilization of government resources, participants are encouraged to use the most economical and appropriate mode of transportation. The first meal to be served is **breakfast on Day 1**, while the last meal will be **lunch on Day 3**. (See *Annex B: Indicative Program of Activities*).

Board and lodging shall be charged to the **2026 SPED Current Funds**, while the travel, and other incidental expenses shall be charged to **local funds**, subject to the usual government accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

For further inquiries or clarifications, please contact the BLD-SID, through Mr. Denn Marc P. Alayon and/or Ms. Mitzi Grace G. Gavilanes, Supervising Education Program Specialists, through telephone number 8637-4346 or through email at bld.sid@deped.gov.ph.

For immediate dissemination and compliance.

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Annex A: Distribution of Participants per Region

SNED Forum
September 30 - October 2, 2026 (Wednesday to Friday)
within NCR

Region	Regional Director (RD)/ Assistant RD	CLMD Chief/ Regional SNED EPS/Focal Person	Division SNED EPS/Focal Person/ Schools Division Superintendent (SDS)/ Assistant SDS	TOTAL
I	1	1	15	17
II	1	1	10	12
III	1	1	22	24
IV-A (CALABARZON)	1	1	25	27
IV-B (MIMAROPA)	1	1	8	10
CAR	1	1	9	11
NCR	1	1	17	19
V	1	1	14	16
VI	1	1	9	11
NIR	1	1	22	24
VII	1	1	13	15
VIII	1	1	14	16
IX	1	1	9	11
X	1	1	15	17
XI	1	1	12	14
XII	1	1	9	11
CARAGA	1	1	13	15
TOTAL	17	17	236	270

Note: Each RO should ensure that all SDOs under its jurisdiction are represented in the activity.



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Annex B: Indicative Program of Activities

SNED Forum
 September 30 - October 2, 2026 (Wednesday to Friday)
 within NCR

Indicative Program of Activities

DAY 1 (September 30, 2026, Wednesday)	
TIME	ACTIVITY
5:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Travel Period, Arrival, and Registration
1:00 PM - 1:30 PM	Opening Program
1:30 PM - 5:00 PM	Session 1: Assessing the current status of SNED implementation in relation to RA 11650

DAY 2 (October 1, 2026, Thursday)	
TIME	ACTIVITY
8:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Session 2A: Identifying major implementation gaps in the SNED implementation
1:00 PM - 5:00 PM	Session 2B: Identifying major implementation gaps in the SNED implementation

DAY 3 (October 2, 2026, Friday)	
TIME	ACTIVITY
8:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Session 3: Proposing targeted action steps to standardize the SNED implementation anchored on RA 11650
11:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Closing Program
1:00 PM onwards	Home Sweet Home

Meal Schedule

Meal	DAY 1 (September 30, 2026, Wednesday)	DAY 2 (October 1, 2026, Thursday)	DAY 3 (October 2, 2026, Friday)
Breakfast	√	√	√
Morning Snacks	√	√	√
Lunch	√	√	√
Afternoon Snacks	√	√	
Dinner	√	√	

Hotel Accommodation Schedule

Check-in/out	Date	Time
Check-in	DAY 1 (September 30, 2026, Wednesday)	2:00 PM
Check-out	DAY 3 (October 2, 2026, Friday)	12:00 PM