



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
REGION VIII
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF BAYBAY CITY, LEYTE

January 29, 2026

DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. 121 s, 2026

**Conduct of Division Kick-off Activity and Celebration of the 22nd
National Dental Health Month**

To: This Division
All School Heads
School Health and Nutrition Personnel
WinS School coordinators, AODs and ADAS
All other Concerned

1. Pursuant to Presidential Proclamation No. 599 declaring the month of February of every year as National Dental Health Month, and in line with the Department of Education (DepEd), through the Bureau of Learner Support Services–School Health Division (BLSS-SHD), this Office, through the School Governance and Operations Division–School Health and Nutrition Unit, hereby announces and shall observe the Celebration of the 22nd National Dental Health Month (NDHM) for the whole month of February 2026, with the theme: **“Dentista’y Kaagapay sa Ngiting Walang Kumpay.”**
2. The Celebration aims to promote oral health awareness, instill proper oral hygiene practices among learners, and strengthen the role of schools, families, and communities in preventing oral diseases, consistent with DepEd’s commitment to learner well-being and a healthy learning environment.
3. All elementary and secondary schools in the Schools Division of Baybay City are hereby enjoined to actively participate and support the month-long celebration through age-appropriate and school-based activities, which may include but are not limited to the following:
 - a. **First Week – Demonstrations and Interactive Activities**
 - Demonstrations on proper toothbrushing and oral hygiene techniques
 - Interactive workshops and distribution of oral hygiene kits, when available
 - b. **Second Week – Oral Health Awareness Campaigns**
 - School-wide oral health information drives and advocacy campaigns
 - Oral Health promotion activities tailored to diverse learner needs, including learners with disabilities
 - c. **Third Week – Delivery of Oral Health Services**
 - Basic oral examination and consultation, subject to available resources
 - Coordination with local government units, dental professionals, and partners
 - d. **Fourth Week – Oral Health Education Activities**
 - Classroom-based oral health education sessions



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- Orientation sessions for parents and guardians on basic oral health practices
4. As part of the celebration, the Division Kick-off Activity for the 22nd National Dental Health Month shall be conducted with the following details:
- **Activity:** Division Kick-off Program for NDHM
 - **Venue:** San Agustin Elementary School
 - **Date:** February 20, 2026
 - **Participants:** learners, teachers, school health personnel, and partners

Expenses related to the conduct of the kick-off activity shall be charged against the School's Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses (MOOE), subject to existing accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

5. All Schools are required to submit a brief narrative report with clear photos of the activities conducted during the National Dental Health Month. The report shall be submitted through the Google Form Link to be provided:

Google Form Link: <https://forms.gle/26SqLvBCM8xR1Avg8>

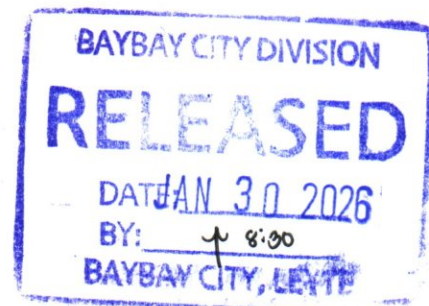


6. IEC materials to be used in schools during the activity will be shared to wins coordinators' group chat.
7. School Heads are encouraged to mobilize school health personnel, teachers, parents, and stakeholders, and to ensure that all activities are conducted outside core learning hours or integrated into appropriate learning areas, in compliance with DepEd policies on engaged time-on-task and health and safety protocols.
8. Immediate dissemination of and strict compliance with this Memorandum are desired.

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Enclosure: none
Reference: As stated,
To be indicated in the Perpetual Index under the following subjects:

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