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Department of Education
REGION VII – CENTRAL VISAYAS
Division of City Schools – City of Tagbilaran

**Office of the Schools Division
Superintendent**

DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. 425, s. 2021

October 25, 2021

**VIRTUAL MEETING ON BRIGADA ESKWELA 2022
BEST IMPLEMENTING SCHOOL AWARD PREPARATION**

To: All Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads
School Brigada Eskwela Coordinator
All Others Concerned

1. In reference to Deped Memo No 048 s. 2021 Enclosure 2, "Schools Division Offices (SDOs) under the School Governance and Operations Division (SGOD) are tasked to acknowledge all elementary and secondary schools that implemented Brigada Eskwela from August 3 to September 3, 2021". Brigada Eskwela awarding will be on January 2022.
2. In light of this, a virtual meeting will be held on October 29, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon via google **meet.google.com/ebo-sqcv-mah** for all school Brigada Eskwela Coordinators. This meeting attempts to achieve consensus on the guidelines and appropriate documentation procedures. This will indicate the submission deadline and the type of validation to be performed.
3. It is requested that school heads will allow their Brigada Eskwela Coordinators to attend the said conference.
4. Immediate dissemination and compliance of this memorandum is desired.

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2021 BRIGADA ESKWELA IMPLEMENTING GUIDELINES

To: Undersecretaries
Assistant Secretaries
Minister, Basic, Higher, and Technical Education, BARMM
Bureau and Service Directors
Regional Directors
Schools Division Superintendents
Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads
All Others Concerned

1. The Department of Education (DepEd), in its commitment to ensure that education must continue amidst the challenges and uncertainties of face to face classes brought by Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), shall formally open School Year (SY) 2021-2022. Pursuant to Republic Act No. 11480, the President, upon the recommendation of the Secretary, has approved SY 2021-2022 to open on **September 13, 2021**.
2. In preparation for the opening of classes, the *Brigada Eskwela* Program shall be implemented **from August 3 to September 30, 2021** with focus on collaboration and strengthening partnership engagements that complement DepEd efforts to implement the Basic Education Learning Continuity Plan (BE-LCP) and to ensure the delivery of quality basic education notwithstanding the COVID-19 Pandemic.
3. The slogan of *Brigada Eskwela*, ***Bayanihan para sa Paaralan*** shall be adopted as the theme for this year to emphasize the country's collective efforts in promoting collaboration for safe living and addressing social issues and concerns in schools, at homes, and in the community.
4. The National Kick-off Program shall be held on **August 3, 2021** to be hosted by the Schools Division of Tagum City in Region XI. Regional Offices (ROs) and Schools Division Offices (SDOs) may hold their own **virtual** kick-off ceremonies during the *Brigada Eskwela* Kick-off Week **from August 4 to 7, 2021** to launch the *Brigada Eskwela* in their respective areas **after** the national kick-off program.
5. The implementation of *Brigada Eskwela* shall comply with the required health standards, which include following social distancing measures and practicing proper hygiene consistent with the Inter-Agency Task Force on Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF) health protocols, Department of Health (DOH) health standards, local and national quarantine rules, and all other relevant protocols as detailed in DepEd and DepEd Task Force COVID-19 issuances.
6. The traditional concept of *Brigada Eskwela*, which involves physical cleaning, painting, repainting, and doing minor repairs, will still not happen during the *Brigada Eskwela* implementation period this year. However, considering the schools are being used in the preparation of the learning packets, including the picking up

and returning of the same by the parents, physical cleaning and disinfection may be allowed during the two weeks before the opening of classes in public schools, depending on the prevailing local risk classification and community quarantine guidelines. If allowed, the schools shall strictly comply with protocols on social distancing and implement precautionary measures consistent with the IATF health protocols, DOH protection protocols, local quarantine rules and all other relevant protocols provided in DepEd and DepEd Task Force COVID-19 issuances.

7. The *Brigada Eskwela* activities shall focus on preparations and highlight partnership initiatives that complement the BE-LCP among other efforts. This will ensure that quality basic education will continue despite the challenges posed by COVID-19 situation. Details of the implementation are provided in Enclosure No. 1 of this Memorandum.

8. The schedule of activities for the 2021 *Brigada Eskwela* shall be as follows:

Activity	Schedule
National <i>Brigada Eskwela</i> Media/ Online Kick-off Program	August 3, 2021
Regional/Division Kick-off Program	During BE Kick-off Week on August 4 to 7, 2021
<i>Brigada Eskwela</i> Implementation and Monitoring of Schools	August 3 to September 30, 2021
Submission of <i>Brigada Eskwela</i> Accomplishment Reports	By Schools Divisions: October 30, 2021 By Regions: November 30, 2021
<i>Brigada Eskwela</i> Awards	January to February 2022

9. Teaching personnel are entitled to earn vacation service credits arising from their active involvement as member of the school *Brigada Eskwela* working committees and/or voluntary services in the *Brigada Eskwela* activities. Teachers shall earn a one-day service credit for accumulated eight hours of services as committee member or volunteer in the school preparation and partnership engagement activities, but not to exceed the total of ten days' service credits. For further details on the granting of service credits to teachers, please refer to DepEd Order No. 53, s. 2003 titled Updated Guidelines on Grant of Vacation Service Credits to Teachers, particularly on Item No. 1-d sub-items d and k and Item. No. 1-f, which contain relevant provisions on the grant of service credits.

10. The *Brigada Pagbasa*, as part of *Brigada Eskwela*, is an after-school reading program that envisions bringing together education partners and experts to help all learners read and become functionally literate. The *Brigada Pagbasa* will serve as a platform to synergize efforts and resources to address education-related challenges especially on literacy and numeracy. It will also create opportunities for all stakeholders to contribute possible solutions to the current gaps in the country's education system, especially in equipping the learners with 21st century skills.

11. In preparation for the implementation of *Brigada Pagbasa*, the Division Partnership Focal Persons are encouraged to conduct an inventory of school reading programs with partnership components that may be part of *Brigada Pagbasa*. The detailed guidelines for the implementation of *Brigada Pagbasa* shall be provided in a separate issuance.

12. The School Heads shall ensure that all donated items classified as property, Plant and Equipment are properly recorded in the book of accounts as stipulated in DepEd Order No. 82, s. 2011 titled Guidelines on the Proper Recording of all Donated Properties. The documents required to support the recording in the book of accounts are as follows:


- a. Inventory Custodian Slip for donated properties with value below P15,000.00 (Enclosure No. 3); and
- b. Property Acknowledgment Receipt for donated properties above P15,000.00 (Enclosure No. 4).

13. For more information, please contact the

Brigada Eskwela

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14. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.


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References:

DepEd Order: (Nos. 53, s. 2003 and 82, s. 2011)
DepEd Memorandum: (Nos. 032 and 053, s. 2020)

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index
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Brigada Eskwela Best Implementing School Award

To give due recognition to schools whose efforts in the implementation of the *Brigada Eskwela* program are exemplary, the Department of Education (DepEd) shall be awarding the **Brigada Eskwela Best Implementing Schools Award** based on the following guidelines:

1. The Schools Division Offices (SDOs) through the Social Mobilization and Networking Section (SocMob) under the School Governance and Operations Division (SGOD) shall recognize all elementary and secondary schools that implemented *Brigada Eskwela* from August 3 to September 3, 2021 through the awarding of a Certificate of Recognition on their compliance with this implementation guidelines and on engaging partners to participate in the implementation of the School and Division Basic Education-Learning Continuity Plans.
2. The search for 2021 *Brigada Eskwela* Best Implementing Schools shall be modified based on the framework relative to ongoing pandemic situation. The framework includes the engagement of stakeholders and addressing problems, queries, and other concerns in preparation for the start of classes. All *Brigada Eskwela* activities should highlight partnership initiatives that complement the implementation of the Basic Education Learning Continuity Plan (BE-LCP).
3. The Regional Offices shall contextualize the selection criteria for the *Brigada Eskwela* Best Implementing Schools Award based on the following general criteria:
 - 3.1. *Brigada Eskwela* Partnerships Engagement Activities – 40%
This pertains to the kind/impact of partnership engagement activities which may be measured in terms of the number of learners/teachers/non-teaching personnel who benefited from the activity(ies).
 - 3.2. Resources Generated relative to the New *Brigada Eskwela* – 30%
Framework
This pertains to the resources generated to support the BE-LCP implementation and health and safety protocols. This shall be based on the prevailing market value of the items donated and reflect the equivalent of the volunteer man hours generated from the partnership activity(ies).
 - 3.3. *Bayanihan* effort to support the BE-LCP implementation – 30%
This shall reflect the impact of Brigada Eskwela in terms of community participation and level of awareness on education programs. This shall also include the response of the community in making conducive learning spaces at homes and the partnership initiative for literacy and numeracy.

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4. The Schools Division Superintendent (SDS), with the assistance of the SGOD and the Division Partnership Focal Person, shall be allowed to exercise their sound discretion as to how to allocate the scores to be received by the *Brigada Eskwela* implementing schools based on the aforementioned general criteria.
5. Aside from the traditional *Brigada Eskwela* Best Implementing Schools Award, the SDO shall also identify recipient(s) of a special *Brigada Eskwela* Award, among other unique ways of recognizing the effort of the schools such as:
 - 5.1. Best School-Community-Home Partnerships;
 - 5.2. Best Home Learning Spaces;
 - 5.3. Best Partnership Engagement Activity;
 - 5.4. Best Brigada Eskwela Collaboration at the School District; and
 - 5.5. Most Prepared School among others.
6. The awards may still adopt the following categories:

Elementary Level

Category	Number of Teachers (National)	Number of Teachers (NCR)
Small School	9 and below	40 and below
Medium School	10 – 29	41 – 80
Large School	30 – 50	81 – 120
Mega School	51 and above	121 and above

Secondary Level

Category	Number of Teachers (National)	Number of Teachers (NCR)
Small School	15 and below	40 and below
Medium School	16 – 30	41 – 80
Large School	31 – 50	81 – 120
Mega School	51 and above	121 and above

Note: Integrated School (Kindergarten to Grade 12) may choose which level they intend to participate in the selection.

7. All forms of *Brigada Eskwela* Awards at the SDO level shall be reported to the Regional Office (RO) through the Education Support Services Division (ESSD). The ESSD shall submit the list of awards and awardees to the EPS at the Central Office (CO).
8. The SDOs and ROs may conduct the *Brigada Eskwela* Awards starting January 2022 using the downloaded Program Support Funds (PSF) on Building Partnership and Linkages Program (BPLP) or local funds.