



Republic of the Philippines  
**Department of Education**  
REGION VII – CENTRAL VISAYAS  
DIVISION OF CITY SCHOOLS – TAGBILARAN CITY

**Office of the Schools Division  
Superintendent**

April 11, 2024

DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. 277 , s. 2024

**DISSEMINATION OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2024-16, S. 2024  
ISSUED BY TAGBILARAN CITY MAYOR**

(An Order to Suspend Face-to-Face Classes and Implement Blended Learning Modality in Public and Private Schools in the City of Tagbilaran)

To: Division Office Personnel  
Private Elementary and Secondary School Heads  
Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads  
All Others Concerned

1. Pursuant to Executive Order No. 2024-16, Series of 2024 titled *An Order to Suspend Face-to-Face Classes and Implement Blended Learning Modality in Public and Private Schools in the City of Tagbilaran*, this Office hereby disseminates to all public and private schools (Elementary and High School) to shift to the blended learning modality, which means the suspension of all afternoon classes in favor of modular distance learning even as face-to-face classes in the morning continues.
2. Further, the implementation of the blended learning modality will start on **April 15, 2024** and shall end on **April 19, 2024** or may change based on the PAG-ASA heat index forecast and the assessment of the CDRRMO. For reference, please see attached Executive Order.
3. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

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**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2024 - 16**  
Series of 2024

**AN ORDER TO SUSPEND FACE-TO-FACE CLASSES AND IMPLEMENT BLENDED LEARNING MODALITY IN PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS IN THE CITY OF TAGBILARAN**

**WHEREAS**, Section 13 of Republic Act 7160 expressly grants and mandates local government units the powers and functions which are necessary, appropriate, or incidental to efficient and effective governance, and those which are essential to the promotion of the general welfare;

**WHEREAS**, Tagbilaran City and the rest of Bohol and the country are currently experiencing the effects of El Niño Southern Oscillation (ENSO). According to PAGASA, ENSO will persist until May 2024;

**WHEREAS**, during the period of March-April-May (MAM) 2024, the city will experience a way-below normal rainfall and air temperature may rise to 36°C and factoring in with the locality's relative humidity, heat index in Tagbilaran City at 12:00 noon daily can reach 38°C to 40°C;

**WHEREAS**, at a heat index of 38°C, extreme caution must be taken as heat cramps and heat exhaustion are possible and continuing activity could result in heat stroke;

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Education has ordered that school heads may suspend face-to-face classes in favor of blended learning modality due to the extreme heat brought about by the El Niño Southern Oscillation;

**WHEREAS**, the City Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office, in a risk assessment conducted on the effect of El Niño to the public schools in the city, has determined that there are already a number of health issues brought about by extreme heat;

**WHEREAS**, on the basis of its findings in the risk assessment, the CDRRMO has recommended that schools suspend face-to-face classes and may consider the blended learning modality in order to protect both learners and teachers from extreme heat and prevent health issues arising from it;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, JANE C. YAP, MAYOR OF TAGBILARAN CITY**, by virtue of the powers vested upon me by law, do hereby order that all public and private schools (Elementary and High School) shift to the blended learning modality, which means the suspension of all afternoon classes in favor of modular distance learning even as face-to-face classes in the morning continues.

Further, **the implementation of the blended learning modality will start on April 15, 2024 and shall end on April 19, 2024 or may change based on the PAG-ASA heat index forecast and the assessment of the CDRRMO.**

Further, the CDRRMO and the DepEd Tagbilaran City Schools Division disseminate information to the public and the learners on the measure that should be taken in order to prevent the negative impact of the El Niño.

**DONE** in the City of Tagbilaran, Bohol, Philippines, this 8<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2024.

  
**JANE CENSORIA C. YAP**  
City Mayor