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DIVISION OF CITY SCHOOLS - TAGBILARAN CITY

Office of the Schools Division
Superintendent

July 20, 2026

DIVISION MEMORANDUM

NO: ____ s. 2026

INVITATION FROM THE WORLD CLASSROOM ONLINE INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE PROGRAM

TO: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
All Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads
All Others Concerned

1. This Office hereby disseminates an Invitation from Katrina Rodriguez, Global Coordinator, HelloWorld Inc, the contents of which are self-explanatory.

2. Participation in activities initiated by external organizations shall be subject to existing Department policies, particularly **DepEd Order No. 28, s. 2001 (Guidelines on the Grant of Authority to Conduct Seminars, Workshops, Conferences, Conventions, and Other Similar Activities)**, as well as applicable issuances on the conduct of off-campus and externally initiated training activities. Moreover, **DepEd Order No. 9, s. 2005 (Instituting Measures to Increase Engaged Time-on-Task and Ensuring Compliance Therewith)** emphasizes that participation in seminars and trainings should not unduly disrupt the delivery of instruction and the conduct of classes.

3. Interested personnel may participate on a **voluntary basis**.

4. Please see attached communication for more details.

5. For your information.

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Schools Division Superintendent

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【HelloWorld Inc.】 Proposal for the WorldClassroom Online International Exchange Program

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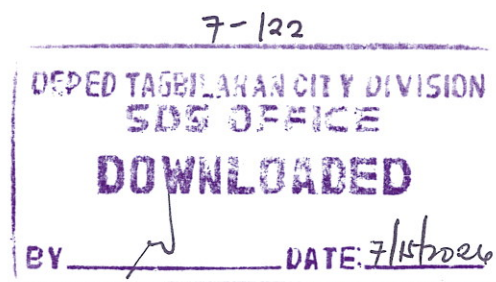
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2026 DepEd Invitation Letter_WorldClassroom.pdf; 20260730 WorldClassroom Information Session.pdf;
Advisory_Philippines.pdf;

Dear Schools Division Superintendent and DepEd Officers,

Greetings from HelloWorld Inc.



As the new school year begins, we are pleased to introduce **WorldClassroom**, our free Online International Exchange Program, **supported by the Japanese government and acknowledged by the DepEd Central Office through its published Advisory.**

Attached to this email, you will find:

- **A proposal outlining the WorldClassroom program and opportunities for collaboration with DepEd schools.**
- An invitation to our free **WorldClassroom Information Session on July 30, 2026**, open to DepEd offices, school heads, and teachers.
- Official DepEd Advisory (2025-2026 & 2027-2028)

During the information session, we will share key insights and outcomes from the participation of Philippine public schools in 2025, discuss how WorldClassroom can be integrated into classroom instruction, and hear from **Ms. Christina Guevarra**, our DepEd Ambassador Teacher from *DepEd Schools Division Office of Meycauayan City*, as she shares her experience and practical tips for implementing the program in public schools.

Should your office be unable to attend the information session, we would be happy to arrange a separate meeting at your preferred date and time. Please feel free to contact me at katrinarodriguez@hello-world.city should you have any questions or wish to schedule a meeting.

If your office is already coordinating with HelloWorld regarding the WorldClassroom program, we sincerely appreciate your continued support. **We would be grateful if you could kindly share this invitation with school heads and teachers who may be interested in learning more about the program and participating in future international exchange opportunities.**

Thank you very much for your time and consideration. We look forward to the opportunity to collaborate with your office in expanding meaningful global learning experiences for Filipino students.

Best regards,

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Advisory No. **160**, s. 2025

September 19, 2025

In compliance with DepEd Order (DO) No. 8, s. 2013
this advisory is issued not for endorsement per DO 28, s. 2001,
but only for the information of DepEd officials,
personnel/staff, as well as the concerned public.
(Visit www.deped.gov.ph)

INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE PROGRAM OF HELLOWORLD INC.

HelloWorld Inc. invites all Grades 5–12 public school learners and teachers to participate in their WorldClassroom Online International Exchange Program for the school years 2025–2026 and 2027–2028. This initiative promotes cultural understanding and global competence among Filipino learners through structured and curriculum-aligned virtual exchange activities with learners from Japan and other partner countries.

As an educational technology-based cultural and communication exchange, the program connects Japanese learners with their counterparts in partner countries, including the Philippines, through structured, friendly, educational, and culturally enriching online sessions conducted in English.

Program activities include

- live or non-real-time video exchanges,
- guided classroom-to-classroom discussions, and
- collaborative activities centered on cultural exchange or subject-based learning.

Participation of public and private schools shall be purely voluntary and will not hamper instructional time in compliance with the provisions of DepEd Order (DO) No. 012, s. 2025, titled Multi-Year Implementing Guidelines on the School Calendar and Activities for the School Year 2024-2025 and DO 9, s. 2005, titled Instituting Measures to Increase Engaged Time-on-Task and Ensuring Compliance Therewith and the policy on off-campus activities stated in DO 66, s. 2017.

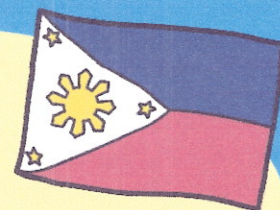
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WorldClassroom Information Session for DepEd Teachers

Learn how your school can join our free Online International Exchange Program!

Featured in the DepEd Central Office Advisory (SY 2026–2027)



Thursday, July 30, 2026



: 4:30 PM – 5:30 PM (PHT)



: Online, Zoom



Who should join?

- Philippine Teachers
- School heads
- DepEd officials

RSVP HERE:



Guest Teacher: Ms. Christina Guevarra
Ambassador Teacher

July 2026

Dear Educators in the Philippines,

We are HelloWorld Inc., an educational technology company based in Japan that offers **WorldClassroom**, an English Online International Exchange Program that connects Japanese schools with schools around the world.

Our mission is to empower students to value **diversity, cultural understanding, and real-world English communication**. In alignment with the **MATATAG curriculum's goals** of producing resilient, globally competent learners, we wish to extend this program to **schools in the Philippines**.

Highlights of the Program:

- Connect and interact with Japanese students in a friendly and educational setting
- Practice communication, cultural exchange, and global collaboration
- Develop and demonstrate global leadership through Online International Exchange
- Recognized by the **United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)** and the **Japan e-Learning Awards**
- **Acknowledged by Central DepEd Philippines (2026-2027 Advisory)**
- Partnered with **1500 schools in 75 countries**
- **Fully supported by the Japanese government / Free of charge**

We believe this initiative can support your school's mission to provide inclusive, quality education and help prepare Filipino youth to become globally engaged citizens. We're eager to explore how we can collaborate with your school to create meaningful opportunities for your students, teachers, and the school community as a whole.

With the new school year underway, we're excited to invite you to an **Official WorldClassroom Joint Information Session** via Zoom on **Thursday, July 30, 2026, at 4:30 PM – 5:30 PM PHT**.

We're also honored to be joined by our **WorldClassroom Ambassador, Ms. Christina Guevarra** from **Meycauayan National High School**, who will share her experiences with the program and provide practical insights on how fellow DepEd teachers can successfully implement WorldClassroom in their schools.

This session is a great opportunity for teachers who are new to the program to learn more about WorldClassroom, ask any questions they may have, and connect with fellow educators interested in international exchange. We'd love for you to join us and discover how your school can take part in this unique global learning experience.

To reserve your slot for the joint session, kindly fill out our RSVP FORM:

<https://forms.gle/l6j9HrhpYSjZckqX6>

WorldClassroom Team

Web: <https://classroom.hello-world.city/en/>

Schedule and Agenda:

Time	Activity	Person in charge
5 mins	Preparation and entering of participants	HelloWorld staff / Ms. Rodriguez
5 mins	Introduction of speakers	HelloWorld staff / Ms. Rodriguez
20 mins	Main presentation: Get to know WorldClassroom	HelloWorld staff / Ms. Rodriguez
10 mins	Ambassador teacher sharing / testimony	Ms. Christina Guevarra
15 mins	Q&A session	HelloWorld staff and Ms. Christina Guevarra
5 mins	Sign up and wrap up	Ms. Rodriguez and participants
—	Closing of meeting	HelloWorld staff

FAQ:

- **What is the explanation session about?**

The WorldClassroom program and how your school can potentially benefit from it.

Including how the program works, what the process is like, how we can prepare, requirements needed, etc.

- **How long will the meeting take?**

1 hour. Please refer to the schedule above for the schedule flow.

- **Are there any costs to join this event or the exchange program?**

*No. Both the information session and the WorldClassroom program are **free of charge**, thanks to support from the Japanese government.*

- **Who can join this explanation session?**

Principals, administrators, and teachers of middle school and high schools in the Philippines (This event is not for students).

- **Is there anything I need to prepare?**

Simply sign up and come on time! Feel free to invite other teachers, administrators, your school head, or SDO officials to this event.

- **Does joining this event obligate me to join the program?**

Not at all. This session is purely informational, and you can decide afterward if you'd like to proceed.

- **I'm interested in the International Exchange but cannot join the explanation session.**

No problem! Just inquire through this link, and we'll arrange a meeting with you:

<https://classroom.hello-world.city/en/contact/>

- **I want to know more about your program before deciding to attend the session.**

Here are some introductory materials on our program.

World Classroom Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eiVVjSgdxA8&t=1s>

Company Website: <https://classroom.hello-world.city/en/>



July 14, 2026

Dear Schools Division Superintendent and DepEd Officers,

Greetings!

We are **HelloWorld Inc.**, an educational technology company based in Japan that offers **WorldClassroom**, a free Online International Exchange Program that connects Japanese schools with schools around the world.

As the new school year has begun and classes are now underway, we believe this is an excellent opportunity to introduce WorldClassroom to more schools as they plan and enrich their learning activities for the academic year.

Our mission is to empower students to value diversity, cultural understanding, and real-world communication through meaningful interactions with their peers overseas. In alignment with the **MATATAG Curriculum's** goal of developing resilient, globally competent, and future-ready learners, we would like to extend this opportunity to your schools.

Over the past year, many public school teachers have successfully integrated WorldClassroom into their regular classroom instruction. While the program has commonly been implemented in **English** and **SPFL (Special Program in Foreign Language)** classes, we have also recently been approached by schools interested in integrating the program into **Effective Communication** classes, as WorldClassroom naturally supports the subject's learning objectives through authentic communication, intercultural collaboration, and practical application of students' communication skills.

As more DepEd educators discover how WorldClassroom can complement existing classroom instruction at **no cost**, we hope to make this opportunity more accessible to schools across the Philippines.

Program Highlights

- Connect and interact with students overseas in a safe, engaging, and educational setting
- Practice authentic communication while developing confidence in using English in real-life situations
- Foster cultural understanding, global citizenship, and collaborative learning
- Flexible integration into classroom instruction, including English, SPFL, Effective Communication, and other relevant learning activities
- Recognized by the **United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)** and the **Japan e-Learning Awards**



- Acknowledged by **Central DepEd** through its published Advisory (2025-2026 and 2027-2028)
- Fully funded by the Japanese government and offered **free of charge**

We believe this initiative can support your office's commitment to providing inclusive, quality, and globally relevant education while giving Filipino learners meaningful opportunities to engage with students from another country.

To introduce the program and share how schools can maximize its educational value, we would like to warmly invite your office, school heads, teachers, and other interested personnel to our **WorldClassroom Information Session on July 30, 2026.**

During the session, we will discuss:

- An overview of the WorldClassroom program and how it can be integrated into classroom instruction;
- Key insights and outcomes from the participation of Philippine public schools during the **2025 implementation**;
- Practical experiences and recommendations from **Ms. Christina Guevarra**, our DepEd Ambassador Teacher (DepEd Schools Division Office of Meycauayan City), on successfully implementing the program in public schools; and
- Upcoming opportunities for schools interested in participating in future international exchange activities.

Please find the event invitation attached. Participation in both the information session and the WorldClassroom program is **completely free of charge.**

Should your office be unable to attend the July 30 information session, we would be pleased to arrange a separate meeting at your preferred date and time. Kindly feel free to contact me at **katrinarodriguez@hello-world.city** to schedule a meeting or discuss any questions you may have.

Thank you very much for your time and consideration. We sincerely hope to have the opportunity to collaborate with your office in expanding meaningful international learning experiences for Filipino students. If there are any additional requirements, documents, or meetings needed from our side, please do not hesitate to let us know. Our team will be happy to assist.

Sincerely,

Katrina Rodriguez
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Global Coordinator, WorldClassroom