



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

**Office of the Schools Division
Superintendent**

DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. - 586, s. 2026

TO : **Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chiefs, CID and SGOD
PUBLIC SCHOOL HEADS**
All Public Elementary and Secondary Schools
Schools Division of Tagbilaran City

SUBJECT : **PROJECT SHIELD Launching**

DATE : July 23, 2026

1. Pursuant to **DepEd Order No. 006 s. 2026** titled **Guidelines on Ensuring a SAFE and Motivating Learning Environment** and **Regional Memorandum No. 0609 s. 2026** titled **Conduct of the Division Level Cascade on the Protect and Connect: A Safe Schools 360 Initiative**. This office through the Learner Right Protection Office launched the Project Shield (Safe, Healthy, Inclusive, Empowered Learning Development) during the Division Management Committee last July 14, 2026 at Reyna's Haven.

2. **Project Shield** aims to:

- a. Present real-life scenarios where the safety, security, and welfare of learners may be at risk;
- b. Explain, in an age-appropriate and accessible manner, the medical, scientific, and legal bases relevant to situations that may threaten learner safety and welfare;
- c. Equip learners with knowledge of appropriate preventive and protective measures to reduce the risk of becoming victims of violence, abuse, bullying, harassment, or other harmful incidents;
- d. Promote self-awareness, responsible decision-making, and proactive safety practices among learners;
- e. Familiarize learners with their rights and responsibilities under relevant laws and DepEd policies;
- f. Strengthen awareness of proper **incident reporting, referral, and help-seeking mechanisms** available within the school and the Division;



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- g. Encourage learners to report incidents and safety concerns to appropriate authorities and trusted adults; and
- h. Foster a culture of respect, inclusion, empathy, accountability, and shared responsibility for maintaining a safe and supportive learning environment.

3. The primary target participants of PROJECT SHIELD 2026 are **Senior High School learners of the Schools Division of Tagbilaran City**.

The activity shall be conducted in coordination with the **Public School Heads, Class Advisers, Subject Teachers, School Guidance Counselors, and other concerned school personnel**.

4. The activity shall be conducted every **Friday, from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.**, based on the approved schedule below:

Date	Priority School	Time
July 24, 2026	Mansasa National High School Senior High School	1:00 PM – 3:00 PM
July 31, 2026	Science High National High	3:00 PM – 5:00 PM
August 7, 2026	Cogon National High School Senior High	3:00 PM – 5:00 PM
August 14, 2026	Manga National High School Senior High	3:00 PM – 5:00 PM
August 28, 2026	San Isidro National High School Senior High	3:00 PM – 5:00 PM
September 4, 2026	DCPNHS Senior High	3:00 PM – 5:00 PM
September 11, 2026	DCPNHS Senior High	3:00 PM – 5:00 PM

The schedule shall be adjusted as necessary should any scheduled date coincide with a **declared national or local holiday** or other official non-working day.

5. The host school shall provide an appropriate venue and ensure the availability of the necessary facilities and equipment, including an **LCD projector and laptop**, as applicable.

6. Each participating school shall follow the two-hour program flow below:

Time	Topic/Activity	Lead Office/Team
3:00 – 3:30 PM	Learner Rights and Protection – Safe Spaces Act (RA 11313), Anti-Bullying Act (RA 10627), Child Protection Policy, Violence, Weaponry and Other Threats in Schools, and Reporting and Referral Mechanisms	Legal Unit
3:30 – 4:00 PM	Mental Health and Student Wellness – Mental Health Awareness, Stress Management, Healthy Coping Strategies, and School Health Services	Medical Team
4:00 – 4:30 PM	Guidance and Counseling – Positive Relationships, Peer Support, Conflict Resolution, Help-Seeking Behavior, and Guidance and Referral Services	Guidance Counselor
4:30 – 5:00 PM	Interactive Session – Open Forum, Commitment to a Safe and Inclusive School, Distribution of IEC Materials, and Evaluation	All Facilitators

7. The selected resource speakers of the Project Shield are:

- **Atty. Tammy I. Relampagos**
- **Aquilino T. Milar, Jr.**
- **Mae Concepcion D. Tejano**
- **Rhodelia Tumanda, RN**
- **Adeline Carmen Dagamac, RN**
- **Rowena L. Pizarra, RN**
- **Dr. Lev V. Nadela**
- **Dr. Vida N. Romero**
- **Eli Adel Pague, PDO**
- **Jericho Yarte, RN**
- **Engr. Junicel Mancha**
- **Easter Sunday Muyco**
- **Patrice Angeli KC L. Tuazon**
- **Krissa M. Ybañez**
- **Marichell A. Wilson**
- **Tina Agnes B. Dumas**
- **Fiel Angeli Bagolor-Garote**
- **Mary Grace A. Tampos**

And all **designated Registered Guidance Counselors** in the SDO Tagbilaran City of the participating schools shall also assist in the implementation of the program.

8. All Public School Heads concerned are hereby directed to:

1. Facilitate the participation of the identified Senior High School learners in the scheduled PROJECT SHIELD 2026 activities;
2. Coordinate with the PROJECT SHIELD Team regarding the schedule, venue, participants, and other logistical requirements;
3. Ensure the presence and participation of concerned **Class Advisers, Subject Teachers, Guidance Counselors, and other appropriate school personnel** during the activity;
4. Provide a safe, conducive, and appropriate venue for the conduct of the program;
5. Ensure the availability of necessary equipment and materials, including an LCD projector and laptop;
6. Assist the PROJECT SHIELD Team in addressing learner concerns that may arise during or after the activity, consistent with existing DepEd policies and protocols;
7. Ensure that learners are informed of the proper reporting and referral mechanisms available in the school; and
8. Submit or facilitate the submission of required documentation, attendance sheets, evaluation results, and other reports as may be required by the implementing team.

9. The **SGOD and Legal Unit**, in coordination with the concerned **Public School Heads, Class Advisers, and Subject Teachers**, shall monitor the implementation of the project.

The project shall be evaluated based on the learners' participation, feedback, understanding of the topics discussed, and their ability to identify appropriate **preventive measures, reporting channels, and protective actions** before, during, and after situations involving threats to their safety and welfare.

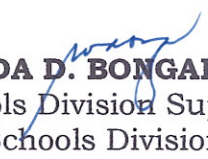
The activity shall likewise encourage learners to report incidents or concerns through appropriate channels and seek assistance from trusted adults and designated school personnel.

10. Upon completion of the program, learners are expected to:

- Demonstrate increased awareness of their rights and responsibilities;
- Identify potential risks involving bullying, harassment, violence, weapons, threats, and other forms of harm;
- Apply appropriate safety and precautionary measures;
- Recognize the importance of mental health and well-being;
- Identify appropriate reporting and referral mechanisms;
- Seek timely assistance from trusted adults and appropriate authorities; and
- Contribute to the development of a **safe, healthy, inclusive, and empowered learning environment**.

11. All concerned are hereby directed to extend their full cooperation and support for the successful implementation of **PROJECT SHIELD 2026**.

12. For information, guidance, and compliance.


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