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

Office of the Schools Division Superintendent

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DIVISION MEMORANDUM
No. 961, s. 2026

OBSERVANCE OF THE 2026 DRUG ABUSE PREVENTION AND CONTROL (DAPC) WEEK

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chief, CID and SGOD
Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads
National Drug Education Program School Focals
All Others Concerned

1. Pursuant to Proclamation No. 124, s. 2001, the Department of Education joins the nationwide observance of the **2026 Drug Abuse Prevention and Control (DAPC) Week** during the third week of November 2026, with the theme: **"Nagkakaisang Pamilya at Pamayanan Laban sa Ilegal na Droga Para sa Ligtas at Malusog na Kinabukasan."**

2. The observance aims to strengthen learners' awareness and knowledge of drug abuse prevention, promote responsible decision-making and encourage active participation of families, schools and communities in fostering a safe and drug-free environment.

3. In this regard, all schools are encouraged to conduct the following activities:

a. display of DAPC Week banners, posters, and information materials;

b. conduct of information and education campaigns, classroom discussions, and orientations on the harmful effects of illegal drugs;

c. integration of drug abuse prevention messages into appropriate learning activities;

d. learner-led advocacy and peer-support activities through the Barkada Kontra Droga (BKD) and other existing school organizations; and

e. school-community prevention initiatives and parent information activities in coordination with local government units, health offices, and qualified resource persons.

4. Official 2026 DAPC Week banners and other resource materials maybe be accessed through the DDB promotional materials page at: https://ddb.gov.ph/promotional-materials.

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5. All schools are encouraged to submit their NDEP Report to Adeline Carmen C. Dagamac, NDEP Division Focal, via Facebook Messenger for consolidation and submission.

6. For more details, kindly read the attached Regional Memorandum.

7. For your guidance and compliance.

For the SDS:

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REGIONAL MEMORANDUM
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OBSERVANCE OF THE 2026 DRUG ABUSE PREVENTION AND CONTROL (DAPC) WEEK

To: Schools Division Superintendents
Assistant Schools Division Superintendents
National Drug Education Program (NDEP) Focals
All Others Concerned

1. This Office, through the Education Support Services Division (ESSD), disseminates the Memorandum from the Office of the Undersecretary for Governance and Operations, through Bureau of Learners Support Services – School Health Division (BLSS-SHD) on the observance of the **2026 Drug Abuse Prevention and Control (DAPC) Week** in the **third week of November 2026** with a theme, *Nagkakaisang Pamilya at Pamayanan Laban sa Ilegal na Droga Para sa Ligtas at Malusog na Kinabukasan.*

2. This observance aims to equip learners with essential knowledge and skills to prevent drug abuse and promote responsible decision-making and community support.

3. Schools Division Offices (SDOs), public elementary and secondary schools, community learning centers, and Inclusive Learning Resource Centers are encouraged to undertake age-appropriate and inclusive activities.

4. Official 2026 DAPC Week banner and other resource materials can be accessed through the Dangerous Drug Boards (DDB) promotional materials page at https://ddb.gov.ph/promotional-materials.

5. Schools Division Offices shall monitor the implementation through existing reporting mechanisms and brief accomplishment summaries which shall include

a. Participating schools,
b. Learners and parents reached,
c. Activities conducted,
d. Partner support, and
e. Implementation concerns.

6. Participation of learners, teachers, and school leaders in the activity shall be personal and voluntary and subject to the approval of the concerned Schools Division Superintendent, consistent with DepEd Order No. 9, s. 2026 and DepEd Order No. 9, s. 2005 on the non-disruption of classes and instructional time. Participation shall also comply with the no-collection policy under Section 3 of Republic Act No. 5546, prohibiting the collection of contributions from students and teachers for projects or other purposes.

7. For further details, please refer to the attached Memorandum from the BLSS-SHD.

8. For clarification and queries, please contact Dr. Rogelio John D. Villamor Jr., Medical Officer IV, at rogelio.villamor@deped.gov.ph.

9. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum are enjoined.

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FOR	:	**REGIONAL DIRECTORS** **SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS** **PRINCIPALS/SCHOOL HEADS/TEACHERS-IN-CHARGE** **ALL OTHERS CONCERNED**
FROM	:	**MALCOLM S. GARMA** Undersecretary
SUBJECT	:	**OBSERVANCE OF THE 2026 DRUG ABUSE PREVENTION AND CONTROL WEEK**
DATE	:	October 14, 2026

Pursuant to Proclamation No. 124, s. 2001, which declares the third week of November of every year as Drug Abuse Prevention and Control (DAPC) Week under the auspices of the Dangerous Drugs Board (DDB), the Department of Education (DepEd) shall support the nationwide observance of the 2026 DAPC Week in the third week of November 2026.

As announced by the DDB, this year's theme is "Nagkakaisang Pamilya at Pamayanan Laban sa Ilegal na Droga Para sa Ligtas at Malusog na Kinabukasan." The theme highlights the shared responsibility of families, schools, and communities in preventing drug abuse and promoting a safe and healthy future.

The observance aims to strengthen learners' knowledge and life skills for drug abuse prevention, promote informed decision-making and help-seeking, and encourage family and community support. Activities shall reinforce existing preventive drug education and learner well-being initiatives.

All DepEd offices, public elementary and secondary schools, community learning centers, and Inclusive Learning Resource Centers are encouraged to undertake age-appropriate and inclusive activities. Private schools are likewise encouraged to participate. Activities shall consider learners' developmental levels, accessibility needs, local conditions, and available resources.

Schools and offices may undertake the following activities:

a. Display of official DAPC Week banners, posters, and bulletin board materials in appropriate locations to communicate the theme and key prevention messages;
b. Brief information and education activities, including classroom discussions, school announcements, and digital advocacy using accurate, age-appropriate materials;
c. Integration of drug abuse prevention messages into appropriate learning areas and existing school routines, emphasizing decision-making, coping skills, healthy relationships, and help-seeking;

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d. Learner-led advocacy and peer-support activities under appropriate adult supervision, including participation of existing school organizations such as Barkada Kontra Droga, where established; and
e. School-community prevention initiatives and parent or caregiver information activities in coordination with local government units, health offices, and qualified resource persons.

Activities shall be aligned with DepEd Order No. 009, s. 2026, Guidelines on the Implementation of the Three-Term School Calendar in Basic Education, and applicable calendar and assessment issuances. They shall be integrated into existing learning activities or conducted during appropriate non-instructional periods. They shall not cause suspension or shortening of classes, loss of required instructional time, or disruption of examinations and assessments. Learners and parents shall not be required to contribute money or purchase special materials to participate.

School heads shall coordinate implementation with school health personnel, guidance personnel or designated focal persons, teachers, learner organizations, and parents. Regional and Schools Division Offices may coordinate with the DDB, relevant government agencies, local government units, and community partners for appropriate technical assistance and support.

Official 2026 DAPC Week banners and other resource materials may be accessed through the DDB promotional materials page at [illegible] as these become available. Schools and offices shall use the official theme accurately and refer to subsequent DDB announcements for additional guidance.

Regional and Schools Division Offices shall disseminate this Memorandum and monitor implementation through existing reporting mechanisms. Brief accomplishment summaries may include participating schools, learners and parents reached, activities conducted, partner support, and implementation concerns.

For further information, please contact the Bureau of Learner Support Services–School Health Division through email at [illegible]

Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.