



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
REGION III
SCHOOLS DIVISION OFFICE OF BATAAN

DIVISION MEMORANDUM
No. 286 s. 2026

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STRENGTHENING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE "GULAYAN SA PAARALAN PROGRAM" IN THE SCHOOLS DIVISION OF BATAAN

TO: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Education Program Supervisors
Public Schools District Supervisors
Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads
Gulayan sa Paaralan Coordinators
All Others Concerned

1. In consonance with DepEd Memorandum No. 223, s. 2026 titled Strengthening the Implementation of the Gulayan sa Paaralan Program in Public Elementary and Secondary Schools Nationwide and DepEd Memorandum No. 293, s. 2007, this Office directs all schools to intensify the implementation of the Gulayan sa Paaralan Program (GPP) as a support mechanism to the School-Based Feeding Program and to promote food security, environmental awareness, and values formation among learners.
2. The GPP aims to:
 - a. promote vegetable production and consumption among learners;
 - b. establish/maintain school gardens as sustainable sources of vegetables for SBFP and other feeding activities;
 - c. serve as laboratory for learners in support of EPP, TLE, Science, and other related subjects;
 - d. produce nutrient-rich vegetables to help address malnutrition and hunger;
 - e. showcase small-scale food production models; and



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- f. instill among learners the values of health and nutrition, love for labor, thrift and caring for others.
3. All public and elementary secondary schools in the Schools Division of Bataan are hereby directed to observe the following guidelines for SY 2026-2027.
- a. all schools with available space shall and maintain a Gulayaan sa Paaralan within the school premises for the production of nutritious and indigenous vegetables and plants;
 - b. schools with limited or no land shall implement containerized gardening using recycled materials such as plastics, bottles, cans, acks, and pots;
 - c. school shall assign GPP coordinators and encourage the participation of learners, teachers, parents and stakeholders to ensure the regular maintenance and sustainability of the school garden;
 - d. gardening activities shall be integrated into the relevant learning areas to enhance practical knowledge and promote environmental stewardship among learners;
 - e. produce from the school garden shall support the School-Based Feeding Program, while excess produce may be old through the school's Income Generating Project to sustain the program; and
 - f. School Heads shall strengthen partnership with Local Government Unit (LGU), Parent-Teachers Association (PTA), Non-Government Organization (NGO), Department of Agriculture (DA), Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program (4Ps), Parent Leaders, and other stakeholders for technical and material support in implementing the program.
4. Immediate and wide dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum are desired.

Incl.: Criteria Form
References: RM No.146 s. 2026
To be indicated in the Perpetual Index
under the following subjects:

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