



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

DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. 432, s. 2026

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**INTEGRATION OF PAWIKAN CONSERVATION IN THE CURRICULUM AND
SCHOOL-BASED LEARNING ACTIVITIES**

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chief Education Supervisors
Public Schools District Supervisors
Public and Private Elementary and Secondary School Heads
Araling Panlipunan Teachers
All Others Concerned

1. In support of **Resolution No. 02, Series of 2026** of the **Bataan Pawikan Conservation Alliance Network (1PawiCAN)**, titled: **"A Resolution Enjoining the Department of Education Schools Divisions in the Province of Bataan to Integrate Pawikan Conservation into the Curriculum and Other School-Based Learning Activities to Promote Environmental Awareness and Marine Turtle Conservation,"** the Schools Division Office of Bataan recognizes the importance of strengthening environmental awareness and conservation among learners, particularly in promoting the protection of marine turtles (pawikan) and their coastal habitats.
2. This Memorandum aims to:
 - a. promote awareness and appreciation among learners regarding the importance of pawikan and marine ecosystems;
 - b. integrate pawikan conservation concepts, where appropriate, into relevant learning areas and classroom activities;
 - c. encourage schools to implement school-based environmental and conservation activities;
 - d. develop learners' sense of responsibility toward the protection of marine biodiversity and coastal resources; and
 - e. strengthen collaboration among schools, local government units, environmental organizations, and other stakeholders in promoting pawikan conservation.
3. All public elementary and secondary schools in the Division are encouraged to undertake appropriate activities that may include, but are not limited to, the following:



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- 3.1 Curriculum Integration – Incorporate pawikan conservation, marine biodiversity, coastal protection, and environmental stewardship in relevant lessons and learning activities, consistent with the existing curriculum.
- 3.2 Information and Education Campaigns – Conduct classroom discussions, orientation sessions, poster-making, essay writing, storytelling, exhibits, and other information campaigns related to pawikan conservation.
- 3.3 School-Based Environmental Activities – Organize activities such as coastal clean-up drives, waste management campaigns, biodiversity awareness activities, and other appropriate environmental initiatives.
- 3.4 Pawikan Conservation Advocacy – Encourage learners and school personnel to participate in advocacy campaigns promoting the protection of marine turtles, their nesting areas, and their natural habitats.
- 3.5 Partnership and Collaboration – Schools may coordinate with the **Bataan Pawikan Conservation Alliance Network (1PawiCAN)**, concerned local government units, environmental organizations, and other stakeholders for technical assistance and appropriate learning activities.
4. Schools are encouraged to document their pawikan conservation-related activities and submit reports, photographs, and other appropriate documentation to the Schools Division Office-Curriculum Division for monitoring and consolidation.
5. All activities shall be undertaken in accordance with existing DepEd policies, child protection policies, environmental laws, and applicable safety protocols.
6. The School Heads shall monitor the implementation of the activities and ensure that these are appropriately integrated into the school's existing programs and activities.
7. Attached in this Memorandum is the 1Bataan Pawikan Conservation Alliance Network (1PawiCAN) Resolution No. 02, s. 2026.
8. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum is desired.


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Schools Division Superintendent

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1BATAAN PAWIKAN CONSERVATION ALLIANCE NETWORK (1Pawikan) BY: _____

RESOLUTION NO. 02

Series of 2026

DTRS-2026-18514

**A RESOLUTION ENJOINING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SCHOOLS
DIVISIONS IN THE PROVINCE OF BATAAN TO INTEGRATE PAWIKAN
CONSERVATION INTO THE CURRICULUM AND OTHER SCHOOL-BASED LEARNING
ACTIVITIES TO PROMOTE ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS AND MARINE TURTLE
CONSERVATION**

WHEREAS, the 1Bataan Pawikan Conservation Alliance Network (1Pawikan) is a multi-sectoral alliance committed to the protection, conservation, management, and sustainable stewardship of marine turtles (pawikan) and their habitats in the Province of Bataan;

WHEREAS, the Province of Bataan is one of the country's important nesting grounds for marine turtles, including the Green Sea Turtle (*Chelonia mydas*), the Olive Ridley Sea Turtle (*Lepidochelys olivacea*), and the Hawksbill Sea Turtle (*Eretmochelys imbricata*), whose continued survival depends on effective conservation efforts and active public participation;

WHEREAS, environmental education plays a vital role in developing environmental stewardship among learners and empowering future generations to participate in biodiversity conservation and the sustainable management of natural resources;

WHEREAS, the integration of pawikan conservation concepts into classroom instruction and school-based learning activities will enhance learners' understanding of marine biodiversity, wildlife protection laws, ecosystem conservation, climate resilience, and responsible environmental practices;

WHEREAS, the Department of Education (DepEd) promotes environmental education through its curriculum and supports contextualized and localized learning experiences that address local environmental concerns and encourage community participation;

WHEREAS, schools serve as effective venues for cultivating environmental awareness through classroom instruction, co-curricular activities, school campaigns, coastal clean-up activities, information and education campaigns, and partnerships with government agencies, local government units, and conservation organizations;

WHEREAS, the collaboration between the Department of Education Schools Divisions in Bataan and the members of 1Bataan Pawikan Conservation Alliance Network (1Pawikan) will strengthen environmental education initiatives and foster greater appreciation and protection of marine turtles among learners, educators, and communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved, that the members of the 1Bataan Pawikan Conservation Alliance Network (1Pawikan) respectfully enjoin the Department of Education Schools Divisions in the Province of Bataan to integrate pawikan conservation into the curriculum, where appropriate, and into school-based learning activities, environmental education programs, and co-curricular initiatives.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the integration of pawikan conservation may include, but shall not be limited to:

1. Contextualized lessons on marine turtles, marine biodiversity, and coastal ecosystems in appropriate learning areas;
2. Conduct of Information, Education, and Communication (IEC) activities on pawikan conservation;
3. Organization of school-based environmental campaigns, coastal clean-up activities, and conservation advocacy programs;
4. Educational field visits and learning engagements with recognized marine turtle conservation sites and partner organizations; and
5. Collaboration with 1Pawikan member agencies and organizations in developing educational materials, teacher orientations, and conservation-related activities.

RESOLVED FURTHERMORE, that 1Pawikan expresses its commitment to provide technical assistance, resource persons, educational materials, and collaborative support to the Department of Education in the implementation of pawikan conservation education initiatives.

RESOLVED FINALLY, that copies of this Resolution be furnished to the Department of Education Schools Division of Bataan, the Department of Education Schools Division of Balanga City, the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), the Provincial Government of Bataan, and all concerned agencies and stakeholders for their information, appropriate action, and support.

APPROVED, this 26th day of June 2026, during the 2nd Quarter Meeting of the 1Bataan Pawikan Conservation Alliance Network (1Pawikan) held at Millennial Hall, Brgy. Lamao, Limay, Bataan.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:


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