



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
 REGION XI
 SCHOOLS DIVISION OF PANABO CITY

Office of the Schools Division Superintendent

DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. 0163 s. 2025

To : Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
 Chief of the Schools Governance and Operations Division
 Chief of the Curriculum Implementation Division
 Education Program Supervisor
 Public School District Supervisor
 All Elementary and Secondary School Head/Principal
 All School WINS Coordinator
 School Health and Nutrition Section
 All Others Concerned

Subject: **REITERATION AND STRENGTHENING OF DEPED ORDER No. 10, S. 2016 – POLICY AND GUIDELINES FOR THE COMPREHENSIVE WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE (WASH) IN SCHOOLS (WINS) PROGRAM AND DEPED ORDER NO. 33, S. OF 2019 - SCHOOL DENTAL HEALTH PROGRAM**

Date: July 22, 2025

To support the health and safety of the learners, the Schools Division of Panabo City under the School Health and Nutrition Section directs all public Elementary and Secondary schools to include daily handwashing and toothbrushing with fluoride toothpaste in their class schedule.

This directive is in line with the Department of Education's policies and programs on hygiene, including:

- a. DepEd Order No. 10, s. 2016 – Policy and Guidelines for the Comprehensive Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) in Schools (WinS) Program, which promotes hygiene education, daily group handwashing, and toothbrushing with fluoride toothpaste.
- b. DepEd Order No. 13, s. 2017 – Policy and Guidelines on Healthy Learning Institutions, which ensures the integration of health services in the learning environment.
- c. DepEd Order No. 66, s. 2007 – Implementing Guidelines on the Institutionalization of School-Based Feeding Program, which also promotes personal hygiene among learners.
- d. School Dental Health Care Program (SDHCP) – A component of the School Health and Nutrition Program under the Bureau of Learner Support Services – School Health Division (BLSS-SHD), which includes daily supervised toothbrushing with fluoride toothpaste to prevent tooth decay and promote oral health.



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All schools must ensure that:

- a. Handwashing with soap shall be done before eating and after using the toilet.
- b. Toothbrushing with fluoride toothpaste is done after eating lunch.
- c. These activities are part of the daily class program or schedule.
- d. Children are supervised by teachers during these routines.

School Heads are encouraged to:

- a. Assign a time slot in the class program for hygiene routines.
- b. Ensure availability of clean water, soap, toothbrushes, and fluoride toothpaste.
- c. Coordinate with Barangay Health Workers, LGUs, PTA, and NGOs for support and resources.

Schools must also use the WASH in Schools (WinS) Monitoring Tool to track and improve its implementation. Guidance and technical assistance will be provided by the Schools Division Office through scheduled monitoring visits.

For your guidance and compliance.


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Schools Division Superintendent

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