



Republic of the Philippines  
**Department of Education**  
REGION XI  
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF DAVAO DE ORO



**Office of the Schools Division  
Superintendent**

October 5, 2023

DIVISION MEMORANDUM  
SGOD-2023- **829**

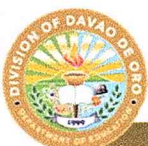
TO: Public Schools District Supervisors  
District Coordinating Principals  
Concerned Personnel

**2023 GLOBAL HANDWASHING DAY**

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3. In line with this, all schools, particularly learners are enjoined to participate in the said activity.
4. Immediate dissemination of this memorandum to all concerned is required.

By authority of the  
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OUOPS No. 2023-03-\_\_\_

**MEMORANDUM**

TO : **REGIONAL DIRECTORS**  
ESSD Chief  
**SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS**  
SGOD and CID Chiefs  
School Health and Nutrition Section  
Public and Private Elementary and Secondary School Heads  
All Others Concerned

FROM : **ATTY. REYSEE A. ESCOBEDO**  
*Undersecretary for Operations*  
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SUBJECT : **2023 GLOBAL HANDWASHING DAY**

DATE: : 27 September 2023

The **Department of Education (DepEd)**, through the Bureau of Learner Support Services – School Health Division (BLSS-SHD), issued **DepEd Order 10, s. 2016 (DO 10, s. 2016) or the Policy and Guidelines for the Comprehensive Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene in Schools (Wins) Program** to promote correct hygiene and sanitation practices among school children and a clean environment in and around schools to keep learners safe and healthy. DO 10, s. 2016 is designed to achieve learning and health outcomes and improve school attendance of students through a comprehensive, sustainable, and scalable school-based water, hygiene, sanitation, and deworming program pursuant to the State’s mandate, under the 1987 Constitution, to defend the right of children to assistance including proper care and nutrition and special protection from conditions prejudicial to their development as well as to protect and promote the people’s right to health and instill health consciousness among them.

DepEd, through the BLSS-SHD, in partnership with the United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF) shall spearhead **this year’s celebration of the Global Handwashing Day** with the theme “**Clean Hands are Within Reach.**” This global advocacy is celebrated annually every 15<sup>th</sup> day of October and is dedicated to increasing awareness and understanding on the importance of handwashing with soap as an effective and affordable way to prevent diseases and save lives.

In line with the said celebration, a short program titled **Malinis na Kamay tulay sa Malusog at Matatag na Kinabukasan** shall be broadcasted via the **DepEd Philippines Facebook Page on October 13, 2023 (Friday), 1:30 - 2:30 p.m.** This

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activity aims to highlight the importance of promoting a culture of hand hygiene and to emphasize hand hygiene as a critical public health measure to ensure safe schools and communities. To showcase best practices in hand hygiene-related initiatives, the event shall feature handwashing jingles with videos submitted by regions.

In this regard, each region is requested to submit a **30- to 45-second handwashing jingle with an accompanying video** that highlights the importance of handwashing in the promotion of general health and prevention of the transmission of infection. Five (5) regions with the best Jingles shall be selected to be broadcasted via DepEd Philippines FB page during the actual conduct of the program. In addition, a **commitment video** to show support of each region for the observance of the 2023 Global Handwashing Day will also be shown during the program (for details, please see attached Enclosures).

Further, all DepEd offices and schools, particularly learners, are enjoined to participate in the said activity.

All Regional, Division, and School WinS Coordinators are requested to watch the broadcast of the event via the **DepEd Philippines Facebook Page**.

The Regional Directors and Schools Division Superintendents are enjoined to ensure and monitor the participation of personnel and learners to the said activity.

For more information, please contact **Mr. Vonerich B. Berba**, Education Program Specialist II of the Bureau of Learner Support Services-School Health Division (BLSS-SHD) through email at [blss.shd@deped.gov.ph](mailto:blss.shd@deped.gov.ph) or telephone number (02) 8632-9935.

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**Annex A**

**Malinis na Kamay Tulay sa Malusog at Matatag na Kinabukasan**  
13 October 2023 (Friday) at 1:30 - 2:30 p.m.  
Via DepEd Philippines Facebook Page

**Indicative Program**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Speaker</b>
1:30 – 1:40 p.m.	Opening Remarks	<b>DIR. NENNETH ESPLANA-ALAMA, PhD</b> Director IV Bureau of Learner Support Services
	Keynote Speaker	<b>DR. DEXTER A. GALBAN</b> Assistant Secretary for Operations
1:40 – 1:55 p.m.	Best Practices in Handwashing Activities of Seal of Excellence School-Awardees	SDO Sagay
1:55 – 2:10 p.m.	Announcement and presentation of Top 5 Best Handwashing Jingles	Emcee
2:10 – 2:20 p.m.	Commitment Video	ALL DepEd Regions
2:20 – 2:30 p.m.	Closing Message	<b>DR. MARIA CORAZON C. DUMLAO</b> Chief, BLSS-School Health Division

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