

## Republic of the Philippines

## Department of Education Region X

SCHOOLS DIVISION OF TANGUB CITY



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**DIVISION MEMORANDUM** No. 258 . s. 2023

## REITERATION ON INTENSIFIED DAILY HANDWASHING WITH SOAP ACTIVITY TO ALL DepEd OFFICES AND PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND WaSH IN SCHOOL (WinS) PROGRAM

Assistant Schools Division Superintendent Chief Education Supervisors (CID & SGOD)

> Education Program Supervisors Public Schools District In-Charge

Public Elementary & Secondary School Heads

All Others Concerned

This Division

- Pursuant to DepEd Order No. 10, s. 2016 (Policy and Guidelines for Comprehensive Water, Sanitation and Hygiene in School), Regional Memorandum No. 56, s. 2023 and Division Memorandum No. 4, s. 2023 (Intensify Daily Handwashing with Soap Activity in Schools), promote handwashing in schools and communities, together with other health measures, to ensure safe school opening and reduce disease transmission in public settings. Handwashing with soap is one of the most effective ways to prevent transmission of disease and plays a role in reducing absenteeism among primary school children.
- 2 The Handwashing with Soap Activity shall be implemented in DepEd offices, and public schools. This directive must be observed to make the learners, teachers, and personnel improve hygiene and sanitation practices to enable them to develop life-long positive hygiene.
- Schools shall encourage to have functional handwashing facilities with soap on the following areas:
  - a. Entrance of the school campus and division office.
  - b. Comfort room
  - c. School canteen / Food stalls
  - d. Playing area.
- Further, School heads, PSDICs, EPSs led by School Health and Nutrition and School Governance Operation Division shall monitor the compliance of functional handwashing facilities with soap.

5. For the information, wide dissemination, and compliance of all concerned.

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