



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
Region XII
Schools Division Office of Tacurong City

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DIVISION MEMORANDUM
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CELEBRATION OF GLOBAL HANDWASHING DAY 2026

TO: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chiefs, Curriculum Implementation and
Schools Governance and Operations Divisions
Elementary and Secondary School Heads
Elementary and Secondary (Public)
This Division

1. Global Handwashing Day (GHD) is observed every 15th of October to promote handwashing with soap as a simple, effective and affordable practice in preventing the spread of disease and protecting the health and well-being of learners, teaching and non-teaching personnel and the school community. The Department of Education issued DepEd order No. 10, "Policy and Guidelines on the Comprehensive Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene in Schools (WinS) Program." This is to improve access to adequate water supply, functional toilets, and effective hygiene promotion.
2. In line with this initiative, the Schools Division of Tacurong City, through the School Health and Nutrition Section, will enjoined all schools to conduct a **3-5 minute Synchronized Handwashing Activity** for all **Grade 1 learners in the elementary level and Grade 7 learners in the secondary level** on **October 15, 2025, at 9:00 a.m., or before recess time**. Other grade levels are likewise encouraged to conduct a synchronized handwashing activity at a schedule to be determined by their respective schools.
3. The said activity shall be properly **documented by the class adviser** and submitted to the **School WinS Coordinator**, who shall be responsible for the collation of photos and other documentation from the participating classes. As an advance information, schools are likewise encouraged to prepare and submit a **3-4-minute video presentation featuring a school WinS-related jingle**. The Schools Division Office will select one video to be endorsed to the Regional Office for possible inclusion in the **Global Handwashing Day broadcast through the DepEd Philippines Facebook page**.
4. Schools are also encouraged to post their respective activity documentation on their official Facebook pages using the tagline **#GLOBALHANDWASHINGDAY2026** and tagging the **Division WinS Coordinator, April Jane L. Duadua**, to promote awareness and participation in the celebration.
5. Widest dissemination of this Memorandum and participation of all concerned are enjoined.

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