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**EXTENSION OF THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE COMPUTER-BASED  
NATIONAL CAREER ASSESSMENT EXAMINATION (CB-NCAE)**

To: Schools Division Superintendents  
Division Testing Coordinators  
All Others Concerned

1. Pursuant to Memorandum DM-OULS-2026-003 from the Office of the Undersecretary for Learning Services dated January 5, 2026 the administration of the School Year 2025–2026 Computer-Based National Career Assessment Examination (CB-NCAE) is extended. The testing window, originally set for **December 9, 2025 – January 30, 2026**, shall now cover the period of **February 1 to February 28, 2026**.
2. For queries, contact John Albert S. Recto, OIC-EPS Quality Assurance Division at [johnalbert.recto@deped.gov.ph](mailto:johnalbert.recto@deped.gov.ph).
3. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

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nel.: As stated  
Reference: As stated  
To be indicated in the Perpetual Index  
under the following subjects:

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**MEMORANDUM**  
**DM-OULS-2026-003**

TO : **REGIONAL DIRECTORS**  
**SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS**  
**ALL OTHERS CONCERNED**

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Office of Undersecretary for Learning Systems

SUBJECT : **EXTENSION OF THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE COMPUTER-BASED NATIONAL CAREER ASSESSMENT EXAMINATION (CB-NCAE)**

DATE : **January 5, 2026**

Pursuant to **DepEd Memorandum No. 108, s. 2025** titled *Administration of the Computer-Based National Career Assessment Examination (CB-NCAE)*, and in compliance with **DepEd Order No. 55, s. 2016** titled *Policy Guidelines on the National Assessment of Student Learning for the K to 12 Basic Education Program*, the Learning Systems Strand, through the Bureau of Education Assessment (BEA), announced the testing window of CB-NCAE on **December 9, 2025 to January 30, 2026**.

Moreover, this Bureau announces the **extension of the testing window for CB-NCAE** to public and private secondary schools operating with permit in consideration of the official requests received from Regional Offices (ROs) and Schools Division Offices (SDOs).

The extended testing window is as follows:

<b>Testing Window</b>	<b>Extension Period</b>
December 9, 2025 to January 30, 2026	February 1 to 28, 2026

The extended testing window allows the ROs and SDOs to administer the CB-NCAE within the inclusive dates indicated above in accordance with **DepEd Order No. 012, s. 2025**, titled *Multi-Year Implementing Guidelines on the School Calendar and Activities*, and taking into account the readiness of testing facilities, as well as the limitations in computer capacity and internet connectivity.



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In the event of **emergency situations, school suspensions due to inclement weather, or other unforeseen disruptions**, SDOs must refer to **DM-OULS-2025-216**, titled *Accomplishment of Live File for the Testing Schedule of the Computer-Based National Career Assessment Examination (CB-NCAE)* for proper guidance on adjustments, rescheduling, and documentation.

For system issues, connectivity problems, or other operational concerns, Regional Testing Coordinators and Division Testing Coordinators may contact **BEA-EAD** at **(02) 8631-2589**, email [bea.ead@deped.gov.ph](mailto:bea.ead@deped.gov.ph), or report them via their designated MS Teams Group Chat.

Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

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