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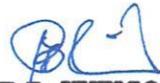
REGIONAL MEMORANDUM  
No. 223 s. 2026

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**CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR THE SPECIAL PROGRAM IN FOREIGN  
LANGUAGE (SPFL)-JAPANESE INTENSIVE TEACHING  
COURSE (BATCH 9)**

To: Schools Division Superintendents of Bacolod City, Bayawan City,  
Dumaguete City, Negros Oriental, Sagay City, and Silay City  
All Others Concerned

1. Attached is DepEd Memorandum No. DM-LS-2026-080 titled Call for Applications for the Special Program in Foreign Language (SPFL)-Japanese Intensive Teaching Course (Batch 9).
2. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum are desired.

  
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Regional Director

Encl.: None

Reference: As Stated

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index

under the following subjects:

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JEB/CLMD-RM- Call for Applications for the Special Program in Foreign Language (SPFL)-Japanese Intensive Teaching Course (Batch 9)  
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**MEMORANDUM**  
**DM-LS-2026- 080**

**TO :** ALL REGIONAL DIRECTORS

**ATTENTION :** REGIONAL SPECIAL PROGRAM IN FOREIGN LANGUAGE  
(SPFL) SUPERVISORS  
SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS  
SCHOOL HEADS  
ALL OTHERS CONCERNED

**FROM :** *Carmela C. Oracion*  
CARMELA C. ORACION  
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Officer-in-Charge  
Office of the Undersecretary for Learning Systems

**SUBJECT :** CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR THE SPECIAL PROGRAM IN  
FOREIGN LANGUAGE (SPFL)-JAPANESE INTENSIVE  
TEACHING COURSE (BATCH 9)

**DATE :** February 16, 2026

The Department of Education, through the Bureau of Curriculum Development - Special Curricular Programs Division, announces the **call for applications for the Special Program in Foreign Language (SPFL)-Japanese Intensive Teaching Course (Batch 9)**.

The intensive course is organized by the Japan Foundation Manila (JFM), the training provider and partner of this Department in the implementation of SPFL-Japanese. It is *tentatively* scheduled on **May 11 to 29, 2026** (weekdays only), with the first two weeks to be held online and the last week scheduled for face-to-face sessions.

Applications are open to teachers who wish to become additional SPFL-Japanese teachers at their schools or teachers from schools intending to offer the Program. This initiative ensures the sustainability and growth of the Program by addressing human resource requirements of existing SPFL-Japanese implementing schools and expanding participation among non-implementing schools. Kindly refer to Appendix A for the list of slots per region.

The regional SPFL supervisors are requested to submit the regional endorsement of nominated applicants, duly signed by the Regional Director, along with the requirements (see Appendix B), through email at [bcd.od@deped.gov.ph](mailto:bcd.od@deped.gov.ph) and [bcd.scpd.spfl@deped.gov.ph](mailto:bcd.scpd.spfl@deped.gov.ph) on or before **March 2, 2026**. Application will be jointly evaluated by DepEd and JFM, and the final list of teacher-trainees will be released in a separate memorandum.



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For inquiries, all concerned may contact Ms. Josephine Intino, SPFL-Japanese Focal Person, or Ms. Janinn Almeyda-Mendoza, SPFL Lead Focal Person, through the above email addresses.

Immediate dissemination of this memorandum is requested.

*Copy furnished:*

**OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY**

**WILFREDO E. CABRAL**

Undersecretary for Human Resources and Organizational Development

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Undersecretary for Operations



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Appendix A

**Regional Slot Allocation for SPFL-Japanese Intensive Teaching Course (Batch 9)**

Region	Identified Schools in Need of Trained Teachers	No. of Slots
NCR	City of Mandaluyong Science High School Makati Science High School Pasig City Science High School Pres. Sergio Osmeña Sr. High School Sergio Osmeña High School	6
CAR		2
Region I		2
Region II		2
Region III	Capas National High School Marcelo H. Del Pilar National High School	2
Region IV-A CALABARZON		4
Region IV-B MIMAROPA		4
Region V		2
NIR	Bulanon Farm School	4
Region VI		2
Region VII		2
Region VIII		2
Region IX		2
Region X	Alubijid National Comprehensive High School Talakag National High School Geronima Cabrera National High School	3
Region XI	Davao City National High School Davao del Sur School of Fisheries	3
Region XII		2
CARAGA		2



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*Appendix B*

**List of Requirements for New Schools Intending to Offer SPFL**

1. Letter of Intent from the School Head
2. List of prospective SPFL learners
3. List of SPFL teacher-nominees/nominated applicants
4. Pictures of available classrooms to be customized as SPFL classrooms (preferably with provision for speech technology)
5. Community mapping – This involves identifying the presence of foreign establishments and communities to validate the need for teaching the specific foreign language. This process ensures that learners will be provided with an authentic learning environment where they can interact with native speakers and immerse themselves in other cultures.

**List of Requirements for SPFL-Japanese Nominated Applicants**

1. Endorsement from the Schools Division Office and Regional Office  
Criteria in choosing the teacher-nominees:
  - a. Demonstrate a strong interest in learning and teaching the foreign language.
  - b. Show commitment to completing language training, immersion, and teaching SPFL for at least three years.
  - c. Be physically and mentally fit to undergo training and immersion.
  - d. Exhibit a high sense of responsibility, accountability, and passion for language learning to ensure quality foreign language education.
2. Personal Data Sheet
3. Medical Certificate from a Government Hospital
4. Accomplished Commitment Form



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**SPECIAL PROGRAM IN FOREIGN LANGUAGE (SPFL) COMMITMENT FORM**

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (Name), \_\_\_\_\_ (Designation), of \_\_\_\_\_ (School, Division, and Region), Department of Education, in consideration of the authority for me to avail of the training course(s) of the Special Program in Foreign Language (SPFL) delivered by the program partner of DepEd for SPFL, do hereby agree to the following terms:

1. That I shall keep with the necessary standards and requirements of the training;
2. That I shall conduct myself in a manner so as not to bring disgrace or dishonor to myself and/or my school;
3. That I shall serve the school where I am presently assigned for at least 3 school years to:
  - a) Teach the foreign language under the SPFL implemented by the school;
  - b) Develop and implement other programs/projects relative to learning/teaching the foreign language;
  - c) Train another teacher from the same school who is willing to handle SPFL classes in the future on my second year of handling SPFL classes.
4. That I shall refund in full, by salary deduction the training expenses, travel allowances, and other benefits including stipend (when applicable) provided by the Department of Education and the SPFL program partner, in case of my failure to comply with any of the foregoing conditions through my fault or willful neglect, resignation, request for transfer or other causes within my control, it being understood that proportionate refund shall in no case be allowed.
5. In the event of a granted request for transfer, I, the SPFL teacher shall ensure and make necessary arrangements with the school head in order that the program will be offered to the school where I will transfer.
6. That I shall submit a completion report and other documents as may be required, to the Bureau of Curriculum Development (BCD)-Special Curricular Programs Division, through the DepEd Regional Office, Schools Division Office, and my school, upon completion of the training program;
7. That I shall live up to the terms and conditions of this training grant and shall conduct myself appropriately as befitting a teacher as well as a DepEd employee following the CODE OF ETHICS FOR PROFESSIONAL TEACHERS.

IN WITNESS HEREOF, we have hereunder set our hands this \_\_\_\_\_ (date) at the \_\_\_\_\_ (place).

Name and Signature  
Teacher-Nominee

Name and Signature  
School Head

Name and Signature  
Schools Division Superintendent