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**UPDATED GUIDELINES AND SCHEDULE FOR THE 2026 NATIONAL
AND LOCALIZED WORK IMMERSION FAIRS**

To: Assistant Regional Director
Chiefs of CLMD, QAD, ESSD
Schools Division Superintendents
All Others Concerned

1. Attached is the Memorandum from the Office of the Undersecretary and Chief of Staff, Atty. Fatima Lipp D. Panontongan, on the Updated Guidelines and Schedule for the 2026 National and Localized Work Immersion Fairs.
2. The National Launch of the 2026 National Work Immersion Fair will proceed as scheduled on September 11, 2026 at SMX Olongapo City Convention Center. Meanwhile, all Localized Work Immersion Fairs across all other regions will be moved to September 18, 2026 in direct alignment with the nationwide observance of Department of Trade and Industry Week from September 14 to 20, 2026.
4. The host Schools Division Office (SDO Negros Occidental) and the host school (Negros Occidental High School) are instructed to maintain their current technical preparations, partner pledges, and coordination structures in anticipation of the September 18, 2026 localized launch.
5. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum are desired.


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Regional Director

Encl.: As Stated

Reference: As stated

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index

Under the following subjects:

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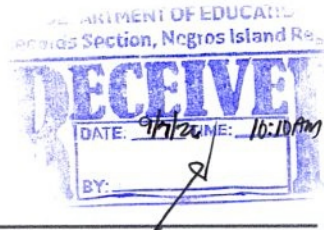
WORK IMMERSION

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MGDLR/CLMD-RMWLCUPDATED GUIDELINES AND SCHEDULE FOR THE 2026 NATIONAL AND LOCALIZED WORK IMMERSION FAIRS
September 7, 2026



Republic of the Philippines
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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY



MEMORANDUM

TO : **Regional Directors**
Minister, Basic, Higher, and Technical Education, BARMM
Schools Division Superintendents
Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads
All Others Concerned

FROM : **ATTY. FATIMA LIPP D. PANONTONGAN**
Undersecretary and Chief of Staff
Office of the Secretary

SUBJECT : **Updated Guidelines and Schedule for the 2026 National and Localized Work Immersion Fairs**

DATE : **September 4, 2026**

Relative to the upcoming **2026 National Work Immersion Fair**, with the theme, Bridging Aspirations and Opportunity: Strengthening Industry-School Partnership, please be advised of the definitive schedule and operational guidelines for both the national launch and the localized rollouts.

The **National Launch** of the 2026 National Work Immersion Fair will proceed as scheduled on **September 11, 2026**, at **SMX Olongapo City Convention Center**, hosted by Tapinac Senior High School, in coordination with the Schools Division Office of Olongapo City, Department of Education-Region III, and the Bureau of Curriculum Development (BCD).

The Department extends its highest commendation to all regional offices and schools division offices for their proactive preparations and high state of readiness for the localized rollouts. To further capitalize on this readiness and maximize industry engagement, the conduct of all **Localized Work Immersion Fairs across all other regions will be moved to September 18, 2026**, in direct alignment with the nationwide observance of Department of Trade and Industry Week from September 14 to 20, 2026.

This strategic synchronization ensures that localized activities leverage nationwide trade and industry partnerships, bringing substantial opportunities to host schools and learners. All field offices are instructed to maintain their current technical preparations, partner pledges, and coordination structures in anticipation of the September 18 nationwide localized launch.

Central Office (CO) officials and Technical Working Group (TWG) members assigned to Region III shall proceed with their deployment for the September 11 National

Launch in Olongapo City, while TWG teams assigned to all other regions shall undertake their deployment on September 18, 2026. The updated Matrix of CO Representatives and the Program of Activities for both events are attached as **Annex A**.

For inquiries and further coordination, please contact **Ms. Maricel Cariño**, Supervising Education Program Specialist, Bureau of Curriculum Development, Department of Education Central Office, DepEd Complex, Meralco Avenue, Pasig City, through email at maricel.carino24@deped.gov.ph.

Immediate dissemination of and strict compliance with this Memorandum is directed.

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ANNEX A

I. Matrix of Central Office Representatives and Technical Working Group

Bureau/Office	No. of Pax	Regions
		National Launch (Sept 11) Regional Rollouts (Sept 18)
Bureau of Curriculum Development	12	NIR, VI, VII, VIII, XI, CARAGA, BARMM
Bureau of Learning Delivery (TechPro)	5	CAR, CALABARZON, VI, X, XII
National Educators Academy of the Philippines (TechPro)	4	NCR, VII, IX
External Partnerships Service	6	NCR, II, MIMAROPA, VIII, XI
Education Center for AI Research	4	I, VIII, XI
Public Affairs Service	5	VIII, NIR, XI, CARAGA

To ensure the successful conduct of the Work Immersion Fair, the following offices shall undertake the following responsibilities:

1. Public Affairs Service

- Manage media coverage before, during, and after the activity.
- Prepare and disseminate press releases, feature stories, and other communication materials.
- Design event publicity and promotional materials.
- Coordinate documentation activities, including photography and videography.
- Provide technical support to ECAIR for the Unveiling of the Work Immersion Dashboard.

2. External Partnerships Service

- Extend technical assistance and support related to the Adopt-A-School Program and industry engagement initiatives.
- Coordinate with private-sector partners, industry stakeholders, and participating organizations.
- Facilitate partnership-building activities and networking opportunities during the event.
- Assist in identifying and encouraging potential Work Immersion partners.

3. Education Center for AI Research

- Manage the updating and monitoring of the Work Immersion Portal and Dashboard.
- Ensure the functionality of digital platforms and online engagement tools utilized during the event.
- Assist in the collection and consolidation of event analytics and digital participation data.

4. Bureau of Learning Delivery (TechPro) Specialists

- Serve as the co-lead office of the BCD in overseeing the event.
- Provide assistance to the Host Schools related to the Work Immersion implementation.
- Coordinate with Regional and School Division Offices regarding participation and event requirements.
- Oversee the preparation of the program, activity flow, and technical sessions.

5. National Educators Academy of the Philippines

- Serve as co-lead and official representative in the conduct of the Work Immersion Fair.
- Support documentation of best practices and knowledge-sharing initiatives arising from the event.

II. Program of Activities

(Applicable to the National Launch on September 11, 2026 in Olongapo City and the Synchronized Regional Rollouts on September 18, 2026 across all other regions)

Time	Activity
7:00–8:00 a.m.	Arrival and Registration of Participants
8:00–8:30 a.m.	Opening Ceremonies Nationalistic Song Invocation Bagong Pilipinas Hymn Acknowledgment of Guests and Participants
8:31–8:40 a.m.	Welcome Message Regional Director
8:40–9:00 a.m.	Video Presentations Work Immersion Policy PCORP Presentation Voice of the Graduates
9:00–9:30 a.m.	Message of the President/Secretary
9:30–9:45 a.m.	Unveiling of the Work Immersion Dashboard
9:45–10:00 a.m.	Photo Opportunity Message of Thanks
10:00 a.m.	Opening of Industry Booths and Matching Session
10:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.	Industry Booth Exhibition School-Industry Matching Sessions
3:00 p.m.	Closing Program