



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
CARAGA REGION

APRIL 30, 2026

REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

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To: Schools Division Superintendents
All Others Concerned

DISSEMINATION OF BAGONG PILIPINAS MERIT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

1. The Department of Education (DepEd), in partnership with the Commission on Education (CHED) and the Technical Education and Skills Development (TESDA) jointly implements the Bagong Pilipinas Merit Scholarship Program (BPMSP), that provides a merit-based scholarships to qualified Senior High School graduates, particularly those belonging to priority sectors including learners from Geographically Isolated, Disadvantaged, and Conflict-Affected Areas (GIDCAs). this regional office hereby directs the immediate dissemination and operationalization of all related policies, activities, and support mechanisms to the Schools Division Offices, districts and Senior High Schools (SHS).
2. All Schools Division Offices, districts and Senior High Schools are hereby directed to disseminate immediately and operationalize related policies, activities, and support mechanisms.
3. The SDOs shall:
 - a. designate a **Division BPMSP Focal Person** who will coordinate directly with the Regional Office and CHED Regional Office (CHEDRO);
 - b. ensure that district and school-level focal persons are identified, particularly to assist applicants from GIDCAs and Last Mile Schools (LMS);
 - c. conduct intensive information dissemination using available channels such as but not limited to assemblies, online platforms, bulletin boards, and career guidance activities;
 - d. closely coordinate with their respective DepEd Regional Office and CHED Regional Office (CHEDRO) counterparts for scholarship orientations, career guidance initiatives, and BPMSP caravan-related activities
 - e. **submit** to the Regional Office on or before **May 4, 2026** a spreadsheet of the following updated and validated data on SHS and SHS learners:
 - e.1 official list of public and private Senior High Schools offering Grades 11 and 12 disaggregated by grade level, track or strand, sex, and school year;



e.2 data on learners belonging to priority sectors or equity groups, including those in Geographically Isolated, Disadvantaged, and Conflict-Affected Areas (GIDCA) and those identified under the Last Mile Schools (LMS) Program;

e.3 data on SHS completion, dropout, and transition rates to higher education or employment.

4. All public and private Senior High Schools are enjoined to:

- a. designate a **BPMSP focal person** who will coordinate with the Division BPMSP focal person;
- b. ensure the timely issuance of required certifications of academic ranking and other supporting documents of SHS graduates;
- c. actively assist in the dissemination of information about the BPMSP to their students and graduates, including details on participating universities and colleges delivering higher education institutions (DHEIs);
- d. encourage graduating students to apply to the BPMSP and provide assistance to eligible SHS graduating students who have difficulties or limitations in accessing facilities for online application, including facilitating the submission of documentary requirements;
- e. establish an assistance area where learners may access the BPMSP portal, receive guidance in completing online applications, and secure required certifications and supporting documents.

5. Identified Division and School BPMSP focal persons shall assist the learners in the accomplishment and submission of application requirements, including the use of the physical application form downloadable at **<https://bit.ly/BPMSP-ApplicationForm>**, for eligible applicants with connectivity limitations. Moreover, CHED-DepEd Directory must be completed to ensure easier coordination of BPMSP implementation, which can be accomplished by accessing the following link: **<https://forms.gle/b6uSP7U73F1ya6F77>**.

6. All Information, Education and Communication (IEC) materials can be accessed at **https://bit.ly/BPMSP-IEC_Materials**.

7. For more information, contact the Curriculum and Learning Management Division, through Maria R. Edradan, Education Program Supervisor in Strengthened Science/Senior High School Coordinator.

8. For immediate dissemination.

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