



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
CARAGA REGION

APRIL 23, 2026

REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

No. **0375**, s. 2026

To: Schools Division Superintendents
All Others Concerned

PARTICIPATION IN THE 2026 REGIONAL SUPPLIERS' FORUM FOR THE SCHOOL-BASED FEEDING PROGRAM (SBFP) IMPLEMENTATION

1. This Office informs the field of the conduct of the **2026 Regional Suppliers' Forum for the SBFP Implementation** on **April 27-29, 2026**, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at **VJs Sportsbar 'N Ihaw-ihaw, Butuan City, Agusan del Norte**, with the participation of one Division SBFP Focal Person per SDO. The forum will formally commence on **April 28**, with **April 27** and **29**, 2026 designated as official travel dates.
2. The forum aims to assess the availability, volume, and production capacity of food commodities from local suppliers; orient participants on the Negotiated Procurement-Community Participation (NP-CP) modality; and discuss hot-meal delivery strategies to ensure the provisions of fresh, nutritious meals while strengthening links with local producers/farmers in support of SBFP implementation.
3. Each SDOs is required to present their Proposed Cycle Menu for SBFP SY 2026-2027 Implementation.
4. Confirmed participants shall preregister through <https://tinyurl.com/mpwtrkmm> on or before April 24, 2026, and are required to bring laptops for use during the activity.
5. This memorandum shall serve as the **official travel authority** for the said participants and may be used to support claims for travel expenses.
6. No accommodation will be provided. A.M. and P.M. Snack will be the first and last meal to be provided on April 28, 2026.
7. All expenses for meals, travel, per diem and other incidental costs shall be charged against SBFP Program Support Funds (PSF) or local funds, subject to the existing accounting and auditing rules and regulations.
8. For inquiries, please contact **Ms. Melody Lou B. Villaplaza**-SBFP Technical Assistant, Education Support Service Division, at melodylou.villaplaza@gmail.com or 09705364602.



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9. Immediate and wide dissemination of this memorandum to all concerned is desired.

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THROUGH: **RENA GRACE G. TUL-ID**
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Dear *Director Asuncion*:

Greetings from the Department of Social Welfare and Development - Caraga!

The Enhanced Partnership Against Hunger and Poverty (EPAHP) is committed to mitigating hunger, ensuring food and nutrition security, and reducing poverty across urban, rural, and marginalized communities. This mission is driven by a **convergence of mandates**, building a strategic ecosystem where government demand directly fuels local economic growth. By integrating our Community-Based Organizations (CBOs) into the institutional value chain, we ensure that every investment in nutrition also serves as an investment in the livelihoods of our local producers.

In line with this mission and as the Department of Education (DepEd) commences the **School-Based Feeding Program (SBFP)** for SY 2026-2027, we cordially invite the **SBFP Focal Person** and **one (1) representative** from each **Schools Division Office (SDO)** to the **Regional Suppliers' Forum** for the SBFP Implementation of SY 2026-2027.

Forum Details:

- **Date:** April 28, 2026 (Tuesday)
- **Time:** 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM
- **Location:** Butuan City (Exact venue to be announced)

The forum will focus on the volume and variety of products that cooperatives can supply to the feeding program. Through a detailed assessment of production capacity, we will collaborate to determine the specific types and quantities of produce that our local partners can consistently provide. Crucially, the session will also cover the Negotiated Procurement–Community Participation (NP-CP) modality, which serves as the simplified bidding framework designed to empower local organizations by removing traditional barriers to government contracting. Furthermore, the discussion will explore effective service delivery strategies for hot meals, ensuring that learners receive fresh, high-quality nutrition while strengthening the link between local farmers and the SBFP requirements.

We look forward to your confirmation on or before **April 22, 2026**.

For coordination and related inquiries, **Ms. Caren Roi A. Gealogo**, our PDO II, will coordinate with you through **09318441986** or via email at epahpinnovations.focrq@dswd.gov.ph and forcq@dswd.gov.ph.

Thank you and we look forward to your positive response and continued support in this important endeavor.

Sincerely yours,

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