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Department of Education
REGION I
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF VIGAN CITY

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DIVISION MEMORANDUMNo. 546, s. 2026**IMPLEMENTATION OF GOLDEN HANDS CARAVAN**

TO: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chief Education Supervisors
Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads
All Others Concerned

1. In reference to the letter from Junior Chamber International (JCI) Vigan, the JCI Vigan will implement the Golden Hands CPR, a hands-only Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) training campaign designed to equip learners with essential life-saving knowledge and skills in responding to cardiac emergencies.
2. The program will officially launch on **July 17, 2026**, in observance of National CPR Day, at **Ilocos Sur National High School**, with training sessions scheduled at **11:00 A.M. and 12:20 P.M.** Following the launch, JCI Vigan, in coordination with the Schools Division Office of Vigan City, will conduct the Golden Hands CPR Caravan in schools across the division. The activity aims to strengthen disaster preparedness and emergency response capabilities among learners.
3. While this Office recognizes the immense value of fostering a culture of resilience among our stakeholders, it is equally paramount that we protect the core mission of our department the uninterrupted teaching and learning. Therefore, this Memorandum is issued to outline the parameters of attendance, emphasizing **voluntary participation** and **strict adherence to the instructional block**.
4. To balance the importance of advocacy activities with our commitment to basic education delivery, all school heads and program coordinators must strictly observe the following guidelines:
 - a. **Strictly Voluntary Attendance:** Participation of teachers, school non-teaching personnel, and learners in any National Resilience Month activity, whether online or in-person, is entirely **optional**. No individual shall be forced, penalized, or disadvantaged in any form for non-attendance.
 - b. **Protection of the Instructional Block:** No activities related to this celebration shall be allowed to disrupt regular classes. The mandated **Time-on-Task policy** remains absolute.
 - *During Instructional Hours:* Classroom instruction must proceed as scheduled. Teachers and students are **prohibited** from leaving their classes to attend celebration events.



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- **Alternative Scheduling:** Any viewing of synchronous webinars, symposia, or participation in drills must be scheduled outside the instructional block, during vacant periods, or integrated seamlessly into relevant subject areas (e.g., Science, Araling Panlipunan) without extending beyond the designated class hour.
 - c. **Parental Consent for Learners:** In the event that learners choose to join voluntary activities scheduled outside regular class hours, explicit written parental/guardian consent must be secured beforehand.
 - d. **No Collection of Fees:** Participation in any event or contest related to National Resilience Month must not involve any mandatory collection of money from learners or teachers.
5. The Division DRRM Coordinator, Mr. Raymart Q. Quedado, shall coordinate with the JCI Vigan to ensure smooth attendance and documentation of the activities
6. Attached is the letter from Junior Chamber International (JCI) Vigan for reference.
7. This memorandum shall serve as a locator slip for all participants.
8. For information and guidance of all concerned.

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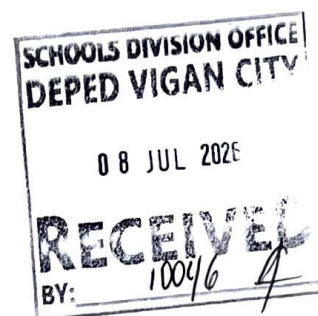


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July 8, 2026

DR. VILMA D. EDA

Schools Division Superintendent
Schools Division Office of Vigan City
Department of Education



Dear Dr. Eda:

Warm greetings from JCI Vigan!

JCI Vigan respectfully seeks the partnership of the Schools Division Office of Vigan City for the implementation of Golden Hands, our hands-only CPR training campaign that aims to equip learners with the knowledge and confidence to respond during cardiac emergencies.

As part of this initiative, we will **officially launch the Vigan implementation of Golden Hands on July 17, 2026**, in observance of National CPR Day, at the **Ilocos Sur National High School**, with **two training sessions scheduled at 11:00 AM and 12:20 PM**. Following the launch, JCI Vigan intends to conduct a Golden Hands CPR Caravan in schools across Vigan City to capacitate children and youth with this essential life-saving skill.

In this regard, we respectfully request the support of the Schools Division Office of Vigan City by endorsing and coordinating the implementation of the Golden Hands CPR Caravan with the schools under your jurisdiction.

We likewise wish to assure your good office that JCI Vigan fully supports the Department of Education's policy of protecting instructional time and preventing unnecessary disruption of classes. In coordination with school heads, **all CPR training sessions shall be scheduled during learners' vacant periods, recess, lunch breaks, after class hours, or other appropriate non-instructional periods**, ensuring that the conduct of the program will not interrupt regular classroom instruction.

We believe that this partnership will help foster a culture of preparedness among our learners while complementing the Department of Education's commitment to developing safe, resilient, and responsive school communities. By empowering our youth with life-saving skills, we are investing in a generation of young Bigueños who are prepared to respond when every second counts.

We sincerely hope for your favorable consideration of this request. We look forward to working closely with the Schools Division Office of Vigan City in bringing Golden Hands to every school in the division. Thank you so much.

Respectfully yours,

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Noted by:

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President
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