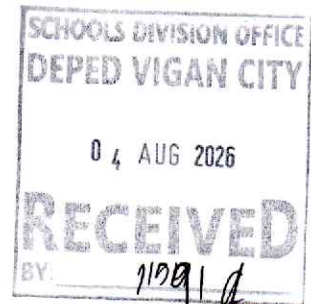




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Office of the Schools Division Superintendent

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SPECIAL ORDER

No. 28, s. 2026

Mr. Raymart Q. Quedado
Project Development Officer II
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DESIGNATION ORDER

In exigency of service, you are hereby designated as Ecological Solid Waste Management – Focal Person effective Immediately.

You shall perform the duties and responsibilities attached to your designation and such other related functions as may be assigned.

This designation will not entitle you to additional remuneration and preferential attention to future promotion.

Issued this 04th day of August, 2026.

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REGIONAL MEMORANDUM
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**STRENGTHENING ECOLOGICAL SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT IN DEPED
OFFICES, SCHOOLS, AND OFFICIAL ACTIVITIES**

To: Schools Division Superintendents
Regional Chiefs of Functional Divisions

1. To reinforce core value of "Makakalikasan" in the Department of Education (DepEd) and to support the commitment of the government in addressing environmental protection, this Office institutionalizes the KALI-GUARDIAN in Schools Program directing the Regional Office (RO), Schools Division Offices (SDOs) and all public elementary and secondary schools to strengthen the implementation of ecological solid waste management practices consistent with Republic Act No. 9003 or the Ecological Solid Waste Management Act of 2000.

2. The KALI-GUARDIAN in Schools Program is a regional advocacy mechanism to promote environmental stewardship in all DepEd settings. Its objectives are as follows:

- a. Raise awareness on environmental protection through the consistent practice of proper waste management in schools and offices;
- b. Foster the culture of "Makakalikasan" among learners and employees through modeled behavior and best school practices;
- c. Nurture ecological and environmental responsibility in classroom instruction and official DepEd programs, projects, and activities such as training, conferences, workshops, Learning Action Cell (LAC) sessions, and similar engagements;
- d. Sustain practices on waste segregation, reduction, reuse, recycling, upcycling, and composting; and
- e. Promote the phaseout of Styrofoam and minimize the use of single-use plastics.

3. To achieve Program objectives, all SDOs and Schools shall:

- a. enhance school-based and office-based waste management systems aligned with Republic Act No. 9003 and relevant local ordinances;
- b. provide appropriately labeled bins for biodegradable, recyclable, residual, and special waste, subject to available resources;
- c. adopt the use of reusable containers, tumblers, utensils, and other sustainable alternatives during meetings, school programs, and official activities;
- d. integrate waste management concepts in appropriate learning areas, homeroom guidance, co-curricular activities, and learner-led initiatives; and
- e. encourage partnerships with local government units, barangays, parents, youth organizations, and other stakeholders



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4. The schools shall implement contextualized and innovative activities, which may include but are not limited to the following:
- a. Classroom discussions on ecological waste management and environmental protection in relevant learning areas such as Science, Araling Panlipunan, English, Filipino, Edukasyon sa Pagpapakatao, and EPP/TLE;
 - b. Poster interpretation, poster making, slogan writing, essay writing, digital presentations, debates, quizzes, games, and reflection activities as part of the performance task related to sustainable living and proper waste management;
 - c. Project-based learning, school research activities, and collaborative learner projects that promote environmental responsibility and critical thinking;
 - d. Clean-up drives, recycling and upcycling projects, school gardening and composting activities, and environmental advocacy campaigns led by learner governments and organizations; and
 - e. Observance of Solid Waste Management Week, Zero Waste Month, Earth Month, Brigada Eskwela focusing on environment, and other related advocacy activities.
5. Each SDO shall designate an Ecological Solid Waste Management Focal Person who shall coordinate with the RO and school heads, consolidate implementation updates, and support technical assistance. The SDO shall develop monitoring and reporting mechanisms to document compliance, best practices, issues encountered, and interventions undertaken. Reports are consolidated quarterly or as may be required by the RO for policy review and program enhancement.
6. The School Governance and Operations Division (SGOD) shall monitor the status of waste management facilities and implementation practices during school visits, monitoring activities, and supervisory engagements, while the Curriculum Implementation Division (CID) shall monitor and support the integration of waste management and environmental protection concepts in classroom instruction and related learning activities.
7. Expenses related to the implementation of the Program shall be charged against available local funds, school Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses (MOOE), and other allowable sources, subject to existing budgeting, accounting, and auditing rules and regulations.
8. For queries or concerns, please contact the Curriculum and Learning Management Division via clmd.region1@deped.gov.ph.
9. For information and dissemination.

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Encl.: None

Reference:

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