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Department of Education
REGION IV-A - CALABARZON
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF QUEZON PROVINCE



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DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. 0497, s. 2026

REVISED GUIDELINES ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF EXPANDED GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE TO STUDENTS AND TEACHERS IN PRIVATE EDUCATION IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

To:

1. In line with DepEd Order No. 011, s. 2026, titled "Revised Guidelines on the Implementation of the Expanded Government Assistance to Students and Teachers in Private Education in the Department of Education," this Office, through the School Governance and Operations Division – Social Mobilization and Networking Section, hereby informs all concerned of the updates on the existing policies governing the implementation of the Educational Service Contract (ESC), Teachers' Salary Subsidy (TSS), and Senior High School Voucher Program (SHSVP) for private schools.
2. For reference, comprehensive details, and guidance, please see the complete revised guidelines in DepEd Order No. 011, s. 2026, which can be accessed through this link: <https://tinyurl.com/GUIDELINESEGASTPE>
3. Immediate and widest dissemination of this Memorandum is earnestly desired.


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DepEd ORDER
No. **011**, s. 2026

REVISED GUIDELINES ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF EXPANDED GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE TO STUDENTS AND TEACHERS IN PRIVATE EDUCATION IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

To: Undersecretaries
Assistant Secretaries
Minister, Basic, Higher, and Technical Education, BARMM
Bureau and Service Directors
Regional Directors
Schools Division Superintendents
Public and Private Secondary School Heads
All Others Concerned

1. The Department of Education (DepEd) issues the enclosed **Revised Guidelines on the Implementation of the Expanded Government Assistance to Students and Teachers in Private Education (E-GASTPE)**, which harmonize and update existing policies governing the implementation of the Educational Service Contracting (ESC), Teachers' Salary Subsidy (TSS), and Senior High School Voucher Program (SHS VP). These guidelines institutionalize unified mechanisms for the administration of all government assistance and subsidy programs under the E-GASTPE framework to promote equitable access to quality education, strengthen public-private complementarity, and ensure efficient fund utilization and accountability.
2. This Order aims to establish harmonized standards and procedures for E-GASTPE program implementation; ensure that assistance and subsidies are granted only to eligible learners and teachers through transparent and equitable mechanisms; reinforce planning, financial management, monitoring, and evaluation systems consistent with the program objectives of ESC and SHS VP; and clarify the responsibilities of DepEd offices, the Private Education Assistance Committee, and participating schools to support improved program governance, the decongestion of public junior high schools, and increased participation in SHS.
3. This Order is issued pursuant to Republic Act (RA) No. 6728 (An Act Providing GASTPE, and Appropriating Funds Therefor), as amended by RA 8545, otherwise known as the E-GASTPE Act, and is consistent with relevant DepEd Orders (DOs) governing the provision of financial assistance and subsidies in basic education.
4. The provisions of these guidelines shall apply to all programs implemented under the E-GASTPE framework, as well as to other assistance mechanisms that may subsequently be introduced or integrated by DepEd, consistent with this framework.

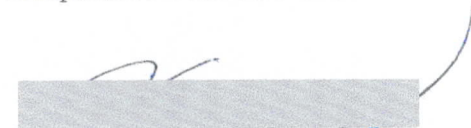

5. This Order repeals DO No. 20, s. 2017 (Guidelines on the Implementation of the ESC and TSS Programs in JHS Effective School Year 2017–2018) and DO No. 20, s. 2023 (Guidelines on the Implementation of the SHS VP) in their entirety. All Orders, Memorandums, and other related issuances, rules, regulations, and provisions concerning the ESC, TSS, and SHS VP that are inconsistent with these guidelines are repealed, rescinded, or modified accordingly.

6. This Order shall take effect immediately upon its approval, issuance, and 15 days after its publication in the Official Gazette or a newspaper of general circulation. 3 Certified copies of this Order shall be registered with the Office of the National Administrative Register (ONAR) at the University of the Philippines Law Center (UP LC), UP Diliman, Quezon City.

7. For more information, please contact the **Government Assistance and Subsidiaries Service**, Department of Education Central Office, or through email at gass@deped.gov.ph.

8. Immediate dissemination of and strict compliance with this Order is directed.




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Encl.:

As stated

References:

DepEd Order Nos. (020, s. 2023; 20, s. 2017); 032 and 006, s. 2022;
1, s. 2016; and 46 and 11, s. 2015

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