



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
SOCCSKSARGEN REGION

January 10, 2024

REGION MEMORANDUM
CLMD-2024-021

NATIONAL ORIENTATION ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF CATCH-UP FRIDAYS

To: Schools Division Superintendents
All Other RO Personnel Concerned

- Pursuant to DepEd Memorandum No.007, s. 2024 re **National Online Orientation on the Implementation of Catch-Up Fridays**, this office enjoins all CLMD and CID Chiefs together with Education Program Supervisors from the regional and schools division offices in all learning areas to log in to the online meeting **before 9:00 a.m. on January 16, 2024**, through the link: **https://bit.ly/CatchUpFridays_VisMin**.
- The office of the Undersecretary for Curriculum and Teaching will spearhead the orientation with the following objectives:
 - Discuss the rationale and fundamentals of the Catch-up Fridays
 - Gain a deep understanding of critical considerations in operationalizing Catch-Up Fridays
 - Explain the ways how to effectively integrate different learning areas in Catch-Up Fridays.
- The table below shows the matrix of the national orientation:

Time	Activity	Person In-Charge
8:00-8:30 a.m.	Opening Program	PMT
8:30-9:30 a.m.	Session 1: Rationale and Fundamentals of Catch-Up Fridays	
9:30-11:45 a.m.	Session 2: Operationalizing Catch-Up Fridays	
11:45-12NN	Open Forum	
1:00-3:00 p.m.	Session 3: Integrative Teaching Approach in Catch-Up Fridays	
3:00-3:15 p.m.	Open Forum	
3:15-3:30 p.m.	Ways Forward	

- Relative to the implementation of Catch-Up Fridays stipulated in the Joint Advisory dated January 9, 2024, all public elementary and secondary schools shall implement the **Drop Everything and Read (DEAR) Day** on **January 12, 2024**. This shall provide the learners with the opportunity to engage in independent silent reading of their preferred material.



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5. Teachers are entrusted with the responsibility of ensuring that learners actively engage in the reading session, allowing no interruptions during the reading session nor giving of quizzes, as DEAR intends to develop independent silent reading among learners.
6. The DEAR Program shall continue to be implemented on **January 19 and 26, 2024**. Simultaneously on these dates schools shall organize orientation sessions for teachers and other key stakeholders regarding the implementation of Catch-Up Fridays.
7. Meanwhile, the school heads shall also prepare orientation schedules ensuring that the conduct of DEAR in all classes is not compromised. One group of teachers shall attend the orientation while the other group shall attend and serve as reading facilitators in the classrooms, and this arrangement shall be reversed on January 26, 2024.
8. Attached are the DepEd Memorandum and Joint Advisory on the implementation of Catch-Up Fridays for reference.
9. For clarifications and inquiries, contact the Office of the Director of the Bureau of Learning Delivery, via telephone number (02)8637-4346 or 8673-4347 or through email at bld.od@deped.gov.ph.
10. For dissemination, information and guidance of all concerned.


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To be indicated in the PERPETUAL INDEX under the subject

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