



Republic of the Philippines  
Department of Education  
Region VI – Western Visayas  
**DIVISION OF AKLAN**  
Archbishop Gabriel M. Reyes Street, Kalibo, Aklan



October 2, 2018

To: **Chief Education Supervisors**  
**Education Program Supervisors**  
**Public Schools District Supervisors**  
**Senior/Education Program Specialists**  
**Heads of Public and Private Elementary, Secondary and Integrated Schools**  
**All Others Concerned**

Dear Sirs/Mesdames:

Greetings!

Please find attached Regional Memorandum No. 242, s. 2018 dated September 24, 2018, from Dr. Victor G. De Gracia Jr., CESO V, OIC, Office of the Assistant Regional Director, entitled **"2018 GLOBAL HANDWASHING DAY CELEBRATION."**

This year's theme, **"Clean hands – a recipe for health"** focuses on the links between handwashing and food – including food hygiene and nutrition. This reminds us to make handwashing a part of every meal and an **important** part of keeping food safe, preventing diseases, and helping children grow strong.

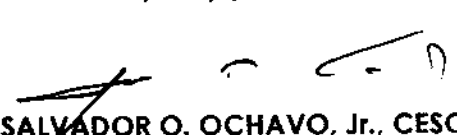
In this connection, all schools are encouraged to innovate activities to make the celebration meaningful to learners, teachers, parents and the community. A **10-minute Synchronized Handwashing Activity** shall be done starting at exactly 9:30 in the morning on **October 15, 2018** to be supervised by the WaSH Club officers. All activities shall be monitored by the School Health and Nutrition Section.

The District SBM Coordinator shall submit the District Consolidated Narrative Report with MOV's to the School Governance and Operations Division, attn.: **SEPS Rita M. Rey/EPSt June R. Patricio**, on or before October 31, 2018.

For your information and guidance.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

  
**Dr. SALVADOR O. OCHOVO, Jr., CESO VI**  
Schools Division Superintendent

Division Letter  
No. 196, s. 2018  
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*"May katawhayan ag kalipayan sa among mga escuelahan."*



**SEP 24 2018**

Regional Memorandum

No. 243 s. 2018

**2018 GLOBAL HANDWASHING DAY CELEBRATION**

**To: Schools Division Superintendents  
Division SBM-WinS Coordinators  
School Heads, Public and Private Elementary and Secondary Schools**

1. Pursuant to the United Nation's (UN) declaration of a Global Handwashing Day (every October 15<sup>th</sup>) and Philippine House of Representatives Resolution No. 1436 otherwise known as the "Implementation of Annual Global Handwashing Day", the **2018 Global Handwashing Day (GHD)** shall be celebrated by all schools in Region VI on October 15, 2018.
2. Global Handwashing Day is an annual global advocacy day dedicated to increasing awareness and understanding about the importance of handwashing with soap and water as an easy, effective, and affordable way to prevent diseases and save lives. This year's theme, "**Clean hands - a recipe for health**", focuses on the links between handwashing and food – including food hygiene and nutrition. This reminds us to make handwashing a part of every meal and an important part of keeping food safe, preventing diseases, and helping children grow strong.
3. To highlight this year's Global Handwashing Day Celebration, all schools all throughout Region VI are enjoined to participate in a **10-minute Synchronized Handwashing Activity** starting at exactly 9:30 in the morning on October 15, 2018.
4. Global Handwashing Day is likewise an opportunity to design, test, and replicate creative ways to encourage people to wash their hands with soap and water at critical times, thus, schools and Schools Divisions are encouraged to innovate activities in order to make the celebration more meaningful to learners, teachers, parents and the community.
5. The Regional Office will once again award the Schools Divisions with remarkable and creative ways of celebrating the Global Handwashing Day. Mechanics for this year's GHD Best Celebration will be disclosed in a separate memorandum.
6. A division consolidated narrative reports with pictorials on the Global Hand-washing Day celebration shall be submitted to the Regional Office through the Regional School-Based Management – WaSH in Schools (SBM-WinS) Coordinator not later than 30 days after the celebration.
7. Further clarifications and queries relative to this Memorandum shall be sent to Mateo E. Bimbao Jr., Regional SBM-WinS Coordinator through email address: [mateo.bimbao@deped.gov.ph](mailto:mateo.bimbao@deped.gov.ph).
8. Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

**VICTOR G. DE GRACIA, JR. PhD, CESO V**  
Officer-In-Charge  
Office of the Assistant Regional Director

Encls.: As stated

References: UN Declaration of Global Handwashing Day, House of Representative Resolution No. 1436  
DepEd Order No. 65, 66 & 79 s. 2009; DepEd Order No. 10, s. 2010; Regional Order No. 3, s. 2015.

Allocation:

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