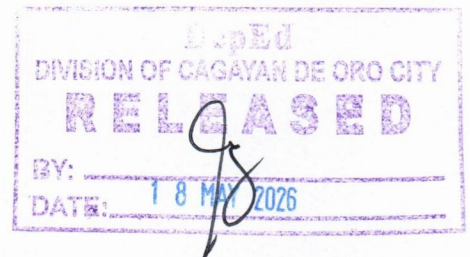




Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
REGION X
DIVISION OF CAGAYAN DE ORO CITY



Office of the Schools Division Superintendent

25 May 2026

DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. 497 s.2026

**CONDUCT OF NATIONAL MONITORING AND EVALUATION OF THE
ALTERNATIVE LEARNING SYSTEM (ALS) LITERACY MAPPING
USING THE ENHANCED ALS MAPPING TOOL**

TO: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chief, Curriculum Implementation Division
Chief, School Governance and Operations Division
Concerned Curriculum Implementation Division Personnel
Concerned School Governance and Operations Division Personnel
Concerned Elementary and Secondary School Heads
This Division

1. Referring to DepEd Memorandum DM-OULS-2026-499 on the National Monitoring and Evaluation of the ALS Literacy Mapping using the Enhanced ALS Mapping Tool, the activity will be conducted on May 27-29, 2026.

2. Below are the activities:

Date and Time	Activity	Coverage Area	Persons Involved
May 27, 2026 8:00 AM- 12:00 PM	Arrival of the Bureau of Alternative Education (BAE) monitor	Laguindingan Airport, Laguindingan, Misamis Oriental	Concerned ALS Teachers ALS Division Personnel BAE Monitor Assigned DepEd Driver
May 28, 2026 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Field Monitoring	Central District (Brgy. 1-40)	BAE Monitor Concerned ALS Teachers ALS Division Personnel
1:00 PM – 5:00 PM	Field Monitoring	West 2 District (Brgy. Canito-an)	Assigned DepEd Driver
May 29, 2026 7:30 AM – 12:00 PM	Field Monitoring	Southwest 1 (Brgy. Lumbia)	BAE Monitor Concerned ALS Teachers ALS Division Personnel

2:00 PM – 3:00 PM	Departure of BAE monitor	Laguindingan Airport, Laguindingan, Misamis Oriental	Assigned DepEd Driver
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3. The Division ALS personnel shall ensure the smooth implementation, progress of monitoring activities and continued adherence to established protocols.
4. DepEd Memorandum DM-OULS-2026-499 is attached for reference.
5. ALS teachers shall be entitled to service credits in accordance with DepEd Order No. 13, s.2024 entitled “Revised Guidelines on the Grant of Vacation Service Credits for Teachers”. However, the division personnel shall be given Compensatory Time-Credit (CTC) on overtime service rendered per Civil Service Commission (CSC) and Department of Budget and Management (DBM) Joint Circular No. 02, s. 2004.
6. In adherence to Equal Opportunity Principle (EOP), inclusive and fair treatment is accorded to all personnel regardless of disability, sexual orientation, gender, age, religion, and ethnicity.
7. This Office directs immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum.

ROY ANGELO E. GAZO
Schools Division Superintendent

Encl.: None

Reference: As stated

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index
under the following subjects:

ALTERNATIVE LEARNING SYSTEM

LITERACY MAPPING

DM-122-CID-DIS-AUF / conduct of national monitoring and evaluation of the alternative learning system (als)
literacy mapping using the enhanced als mapping tool
May 25, 2026



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OFFICE OF THE UNDERSECRETARY FOR LEARNING SYSTEMS

MEMORANDUM

DM-OULS-2026-499

TO : ALL REGIONAL DIRECTORS

FROM : **JEROME T. BUENVIAJE**
Assistant Secretary
Officer-in-Charge
Office of the Undersecretary for Learning Systems

SUBJECT : **MONITORING AND EVALUATION OF THE ALTERNATIVE LEARNING SYSTEM (ALS) LITERACY MAPPING USING THE ENHANCED ALS MAPPING TOOL IN SELECTED SCHOOLS DIVISION OFFICES (SDOs)**

DATE : May 19, 2026

Pursuant to Republic Act (RA) No. 11510, or the "Alternative Learning System (ALS) Act," the Department of Education, through the Bureau of Alternative Education (BAE), has undertaken a series of activities to enhance the existing ALS Mapping Tool by integrating the Washington Group of Questions. This enhancement aims to ensure the proper identification and accurate profiling of prospective ALS learners, as well as to generate reliable data to support evidence-based planning, strategic resource allocation, and effective program implementation.

In May 2026, in line with DepEd Order No. 001, s. 2026, titled *Implementing Guidelines of the Enhanced ALS*, the Enhanced Mapping Tool will be pilot-tested by ALS Teachers in selected Schools Division Offices (SDOs) during the conduct of literacy mapping.

To support this initiative, BAE technical personnel will conduct monitoring and evaluation of the pilot implementation to:

1. ensure the effective and efficient mapping of Out-of-School Children in Special Cases, Youth, and Adults (OSCYA);
2. evaluate the functionality and utilization of the mapping tool in capturing OSCYA data;
3. assess the accuracy, completeness, and timeliness of the data collected;
4. validate field implementation, including household visits, community engagement, and data recording;
5. identify implementation issues, challenges, and emerging good practices;
6. provide technical assistance and immediate feedback to SDOs; and
7. generate policy and program recommendations to strengthen the ALS Mapping and Referral Mechanism for OSCYA.



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In this regard, all Regional ALS Focal Persons and concerned Division ALS Focal Persons are requested to support BAE personnel during the monitoring and evaluation activities and provide the necessary technical assistance to ensure the achievement of the objectives.

For reference, the list of identified Schools Division Offices (SDOs) and designated BAE monitors is attached. The BAE monitors shall coordinate with the Regional ALS Focal Persons regarding the schedule of their field visits.

For further details or clarifications, you may contact the BAE via email at bae.od@deped.gov.ph, with copy furnished to bae.pqad@deped.gov.ph and Ms. Annalyn A. Aquino, Senior Education Program Specialist at annalyn.aquino@deped.gov.ph.

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MALCOLM S. GARMA
Undersecretary for Operations



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Attachment to DM-OULS-2026 - 499

List of Identified Pilot Schools Division Offices (SDOs) for the Monitoring and Evaluation of the Alternative Learning System (ALS) Literacy Mapping Using the Enhanced ALS Mapping Tool in Selected SDOs

Region	Schools Division Office	Number of ALS Teachers	Monitor	Date
I	Pangasinan 1	70	Jonathan Caracas	between May 18 – 29, 2026
II	Quirino	33	Jonathan Caracas	
III	Baliwag City	7	Anna Lourdes Falcon	
CALABARZON	Cabuyac City	8	Michelle Mejia	May 18-20, 2026
MIMAROPA	Puerto Prinsesa City	17	Judy Mendoza	between May 18 – 29, 2026
V	Catanduanes	65	Kristine Lee Lumanog	
CAR	Benguet	47	Annaiyn Aquino	May 20-22, 2026
NCR	Manila City	110	Jonathan Caracas	between May 18 – 29, 2026
VI	Capiz	49	Judy Mendoza	
NIR	La Carlota City	17	Roderick Corpuz	
VIII	Maasin City	20	David Kyle Laggui	
VII	Bohol	123	Annalyn Aquino	
IX	Zamboanga City	30	Michelle Bautista	
X	Cagayan de Oro	31	Brenfel Hajan	
XI	Davao de Oro	84	Mark Timothy Manaois	
XII	General Santos City	35	Michelle Mejia	
Caraga	Cabadbaran City	12	Anna Lourdes Falcon	May 26 – 28, 2026
Total		758		