



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
Region VIII
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF CALBAYOG CITY

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DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. 433, s. 2024

GUIDELINES ON THE HARMONIZATION OF SUBJECT OFFERINGS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SPECIAL PROGRAM FOR SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, AND MATHEMATICS (SPSTEM) WITH THE MATATAG CURRICULUM

To : Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chief Education Supervisors, CID and SGOD
All School Heads
All SPSTEM Implementing Schools
All Others Concerned

1. Pursuant to Regional Memorandum No. 924, s. 2024, issued by the Department of Education Region VIII, which provides guidelines on addressing conflicting curricular offerings of the Special Program for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (SPSTEM) in light of the MATATAG Curriculum, this Division hereby adopts and reiterates the following guidelines to harmonize the subject offerings in all SPSTEM-implementing schools within the Division:

a. The core subjects and time allotment for the SPSTEM classes shall adhere to the MATATAG Curriculum for K to 10 as directed by DepEd Order No. 10, s. 2024.

b. For Special Science Elementary Schools (SSES), Grades 3-6 Mathematics classes shall be enriched with National Mathematics Program content, English shall include 45 minutes of instruction enriched with the National Reading Program and Catch-Up Fridays, while Enriched Science classes shall have an 80-minute session (divided into 45 minutes regular and 35 minutes additional time) aligned with the time allotment set by DepEd Order No. 57, s. 2011 and DepEd Order No. 21, s. 2019.

c. For the Science, Technology, and Engineering (STE) Program at the secondary level, the Technology and Livelihood Education (TLE) shall focus on contextualized STEM-related fields offered within the school, such as ICT and Electronics. The required add-on subjects with a total time allotment of four hours per week shall include:

- Grade 7: Environmental Science
- Grade 8: Research I
- Grade 9: Research II
- Grade 10: Computer Programming



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- e. Schools may further enrich the curriculum provided that the core curriculum requirements and special program standards are met, as stipulated in DepEd Order No. 46, s. 2012.
- 2. These guidelines shall remain in effect until a new set of guidelines is issued by the Central Office concerning the implementation of the SPSTEM.
- 3. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum are directed.

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