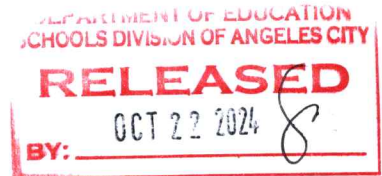




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DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. **381**, s. 2024

**INSTITUTIONALIZING THE BATANG EMPOWERED AND
RESILIENT TEAM (BERT) PROGRAM**

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chief Education Supervisors
Public Schools District Supervisors
Heads of public elementary and secondary school

1. Pursuant to Regional Memorandum No. 19 s.2023 or the “Roll-out of Batang Empowered and Resilient Team (BERT) which aims to institutionalize BERT in all public schools, this Division requires all public schools to **adopt/institutionalize the Batang Empowered and Resilient Team (BERT) Program.**
2. Likewise, the School Watching Team (SWT) on every school described in DepEd Order No. 23 s. 2015 shall act as BERT and include and adopt its programs and activities.
3. Enclosed is the guidelines for institutionalizing the BERT program.
4. In this regard, all public schools must submit the Official List of BERT Team on or before October 28, 2024 to Ms. Clarisa A. Lagman, Division DRRM Coordinator.
5. For information, guidance, and strict compliance.

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Enclosure: As stated
References: RM No. 19, s2023
To be indicated in the Perpetual Index
under the following subjects:

SAFETY EDUCATION 

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**INSTITUTIONALIZING THE BATANG EMPOWERED AND RESILIENT TEAM
(BERT) PROGRAM**

I. Objectives

- Help increase learners' capacity and resilience during disasters and emergencies;
- Help them understand the risks and vulnerabilities that could affect them;
- Equip and engage them to be prepared for any emergencies or disasters; and
- Capacitate our learners on what to do before, during, and after a disaster.

II. Definition of Terms

- BERT – Batang Empowered and Resilient Team
- DRRM – Disaster Risk Reduction and Management
- DRRMS - Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Service
- SWT – School Watching Team

III. Procedures

- The School Head shall designate a moderator to facilitate Batang Empowered and Resilient Team (BERT) Programs. The moderator can be the former School DRRM Coordinator or a member of the School DRRM Team. The moderator is preferably DRRM-trained school personnel familiar with the hazards and risks in the school or anyone with previous/current involvement in any DRRM activity.
- The Batang Empowered and Resilient Team (BERT) should comprise at **least ten (10) members including one (1) BERT leader** and be guided by a Moderator.
- For elementary, BERT members are preferably from Grades 4 to 6.
- For secondary, BERT membership is open from Grades 7 to 12.
- The moderator could prepare a timeline for this activity to ensure that this will not disrupt regular school activities and/or classes of BERT members.



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IV. SWT-BERT Presentation in School

After training the BERT, the final output shall be presented in front of the class or the Peer-to-Peer Teaching and shall be done regularly at least once a year. It is suggested to conduct the BERT presentation after the flag ceremony, after the afternoon class, or during the class period where DRRM can be integrated into a subject.

V. Monitoring and Evaluation

All School BERT moderators shall submit accomplishment reports (Narrative Report with Photo Documentation, Attendance Sheet, and Pre-Test and Post-Test)

VI. References

DepEd Order No. 23 s. 2015 – Student-Led School Watching and Hazard Mapping

