Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
REGION III
SCHOOLS DIVISION OFFICE OF ANGELES CITY

13 Oct 2026

DIVISION MEMORANDUM
No. 390 **s.** **2026**

DIVISION CELEBRATION OF THE 2026 GLOBAL HANDWASHING DAY

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chief Education Supervisors
Public School District Supervisors
Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads
All Others Concerned

1. Pursuant to OM-OUGOPS-2026-01-04005 from the Office of the Undersecretary for Governance and Operations, the Schools Division Office of Angeles City, through the School Governance and Operations Division- School Health and Nutrition Unit (SHNU) enjoins all public elementary and secondary schools to celebrate **2026 Global Handwashing Day with its multi-year theme, "*Be a Handwashing Hero*"** on **October 15, 2026**. This global initiative aims to raise awareness about the significance of handwashing with soap and water as a simple yet effective means to prevent diseases and save lives.

2. In this regard, all School WinS Coordinators as well as those who champion WASH across settings are requested to participate by tuning in at the broadcast of the event on **October 15, 2026 (Thursday) from 10:30am to 12:00nn via the DepEd Philippines Facebook Page.**

3. In line with the celebration, all schools shall conduct simultaneous handwashing activity at 9:00 am or before recess time in the morning on October 15, 2026, among learners, teaching, and non-teaching personnel, parents and other stakeholders ensuring that there would be no disruption of classes. Schools may broadcast the simultaneous handwashing activities in their respective Official Facebook Pages. The use of the following hashtags for this event is recommended: #2026GlobalHandwashingDay, #BeAHandwashingHero, #WASHinSchools, #ForTheWinS, #InDepEdWinSEverybodyWins; and cross-post the virtual broadcast of the event via DepEd Philippines FB Page.

4. The simultaneous handwashing activity shall be video recorded and other related activities shall be documented, and accomplishment reports shall be submitted to the SDO WinS Focal Person at SGOD-SHNU Office. Recommended spiel is as follows:

"Here at SDO Angeles City,
we are all Handwashing Heroes For-The-WinS"

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5. Immediate and wide dissemination of and strict compliance with this Memorandum are earnestly desired.

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Reference: As stated,
To be indicated in the Perpetual Index
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