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DIVISION MEMORANDUM No. 673, s. 2025

ADJUSTED IMPLEMENTATION OF THE 2025 IN-SERVICE TRAINING (INSET) FOLLOWING THE DECLARATION OF THE WELLNESS BREAK

To: OIC - Office of the Assistant Schools Division Superintendent

OIC - Curriculum Implementation Division

OIC - School Governance and Operations Division

Education Program Supervisors

School Heads/OICs (All Public Schools)

All Others Concerned

- 1. This Memorandum is issued to modify the provisions of Division Memorandum No. 669, s. 2025 titled "Conduct of In-Service Training (INSET) 2025" in light of the issuance of DepEd Memorandum dated October 22, 2025, entitled "Declaration of Midyear Break as Wellness Break and Guidelines for Professional Development Activities."
- 2. In compliance with the said national directive, the conduct of the INSET originally scheduled on October 27–29, 2025 shall no longer push through during the declared Wellness Break period. Instead, it shall be implemented as part of the School Learning Action Cell (SLAC) sessions for the months of November and December 2025. This adjustment ensures adherence to national guidelines while still pursuing the Division's goal of preparing teachers for the implementation of the Multi-Year Performance Management and Evaluation System (PMES) beginning School Year 2025–2026.
- 3. The revised INSET retains the same theme: From Standards to Practice: Advancing Teacher Competencies Aligned with PPST Indicators. It shall focus on deepening teachers' understanding of the Philippine Professional Standards for Teachers (PPST) and aligning classroom practices to PMES indicators.
- 4. The conduct of the INSET shall now follow the schedule and modality below, to be integrated within school-based SLAC sessions:

Session	Focus Topic	Main Activity	Suggested Schedule
1	From Standards to	NEAP Masterclass viewing	3rd Week of
	Practice: Domains 1–2	and PPST lesson planning	November
2	From Standards to	NEAP Masterclass viewing	4th Week of
	Practice: Domains 3–5	and collaborative reflection	November
3	Bringing Standards to	Demonstration teaching,	1st Week of
	Life	lesson study, and synthesis	December







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- 5. Schools are enjoined to prioritize these sessions over previously planned LAC activities for November and December 2025.
- 6. Schools whose INSET designs were previously applied for CPD accreditation shall likewise adjust the dates of implementation of their approved training based on the suggested SLAC schedule indicated above. Necessary revisions in documentation and attendance shall be reflected in their CPD post-activity reports.
- 7. Other provisions stated in Division Memorandum No. 669, s. 2025 that are not affected by these adjustments shall remain in full force and effect.
- 8. For any questions or clarifications, please contact Darlferhen M. Dancel, Senior Education Program Specialist, SGOD Human Resource Development at darlferhen.dancel@deped.gov.ph,
- 9. For compliance, guidance and immediate dissemination.

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SUBJECT

DECLARATION OF MIDYEAR BREAK AS WELLNESS BREAK

AND GUIDELINES FOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

ACTIVITIES

DATE

October 22, 2025

This is to inform all concerned that the Midyear Break scheduled this year from October 27 to 30, 2025 shall be declared a Wellness Break for teachers, in light of DepEd Order No. 012, s. 2025.

This Midyear Break is a recognition of the need to support the overall well-being of our teaching personnel, which is a critical foundation of education quality, as stated in the Secretary's five-point reform agenda.

Schools and divisions must still conduct In-Service Training (INSET) and professional development programs on any other preferred dates within the remaining days of School Year 2025–2026 since these activities are intended to enhance teaching competencies and instructional effectiveness and to align the core programs and strategic initiatives of this Department.

The conduct of activities must not interfere with classes and may be integrated through school-based training and utilization of learning action cells. These activities may still be funded through existing Human Resource Training and Development (HRTD) funds that have been directly released to the Schools Division Offices (SDOs).

In view of the foregoing, for schools and divisions that have prepared and scheduled professional development programs for teachers during the Midyear Break period, procured venues and meals may be requested for a change of date based on prevailing procurement and auditing rules. If change of date is unfeasible, since the procured venues and meals can no longer be rescheduled, activities may still be conducted voluntarily. Teachers who participate voluntarily shall be exempt from subsequent activities on the same topic within the school year.

To ensure proper coordination and monitoring, school heads are required to submit their plans for professional development activities to their respective SDO through the School Governance and Operations Division (SGOD), while division plans for the conduct of INSET activities must be submitted to the Human Resource Development Division/National Educators Academy of the Philippines in the Region (HRDD/NEAP-R). The SGOD and HRDD/NEAP-R shall ensure activities are still conducted by the end of the school year.

This Memorandum modifies inconsistent provisions of DM-OULS-2025-095 in view of the declaration of the Wellness Break.

For your guidance and compliance.

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