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Department of Education
NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION

SCHOOLS DIVISION OFFICE OF MUNTINLUPA CITY

Office of the Schools Division
Superintendent

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MEMORANDUM

OBSERVANCE OF WORLD RABIES DAY 2026

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chief Education Supervisor, Curriculum Implementation Division
Chief Education Supervisor, School Governance and Operations Division
Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads/OICs
All Others Concerned

1. Attached is Regional Memorandum No 776, s. 2026, dated September 28, 2026, on the above-captioned title, the contents of which are self-explanatory, for the information and guidance of all concerned.
2. All schools are enjoined to support the observance of **World Rabies Day** through information dissemination and advocacy activities on rabies prevention and control, responsible pet ownership, and proper management of animal bites.
3. Related resources and references are accessible through this link: <https://tinyurl.com/WorldRabiesDay2026>
4. Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.


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Schools Division Superintendent

Enclosure: As stated
References: As stated
To be indicated in the Perpetual Index
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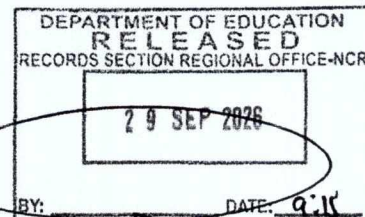


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REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

No. 776, s. 2026

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To: Schools Division Superintendents
 School Health Personnel
 All Others Concerned

OBSERVANCE OF WORLD RABIES DAY 2026

1. This is in reference to the attached advisory from the Office of the Director, Bureau of Learner Support Services, relative to the abovementioned event, for information and appropriate action.
2. In line with this, the Regional Office of DepEd NCR, through the School Health and Nutrition Unit, fully supports and promotes this observance with strict adherence to the DO No. 9, s. 2026 titled "Guidelines on the Implementation of the Three-Term School Calendar in Basic Education".
3. Related resources and references are accessible through this link:
<https://tinyurl.com/WorldRabiesDay2026>.
2. For clarifications, kindly contact Dr. Connie P. Gepanayao, Medical Officer IV at 0918-941-1154 or email hnu.ncr@deped.gov.ph.

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ADVISORY

Observance of World Rabies Day 2026

September 24, 2026

The Global Alliance Rabies Control (GARC) advocates for rabies elimination through the one-health approach by 2030. Rabies remains one of the most fatal viruses and continues to be a public health concern around the world but through awareness, proper first aid and vaccine immunization, rabies can be 100% preventable.

Pursuant to Section V.B. Co-Curricular Activities and Legislated Celebrations of **DepEd Order (DO) No. 9, s. 2026**, titled "*Guidelines on the Implementation of the Three-Term School Calendar in Basic Education*" and **OUGOPS Memorandum No. OM-OUGOPS-2026-08-02274** titled "*Learner Support Observances SY 2026-2027*", DepEd through the Bureau of Learner Support Services - School Health Division (BLSS-SHD) strengthens and promotes the integration of Learner Support-related observances, including "**World Rabies Day 2026**" as part of instructional block through integration in regular teaching and learning process. Additionally, observance of World Rabies Day 2026 may be incorporated as part of the following:

- a. After-class activities
- b. End-of-term block activities
- c. Pep talks or similar activities during flag ceremonies
- d. Printed IEC materials and behavioral nudges (which can be kept throughout the school year)

DepEd highlights the importance of rabies prevention through by practicing "#StraySAFE - Keeping Learners Rabies-Free", which promotes school-based strategies and actions on how to prevent rabies-related cases within the school premises:

How to be #StraySAFE in DepEd offices and schools
Strict animal management within school premises by • Prohibiting stray animals from entering the school vicinity; • Conducting routine checks
Avoid touching or provoking stray animals by • Practicing to only look and observe them; • Keeping your distance to prevent bites and scratches.
First Aid Measures when bitten or scratched • Washing the affected area immediately with soap and running water for at least 5 minutes; • Reporting any incident to school personnel or clinic for wound management and referral to nearest animal bite treatment center.
Encourage to report and tell an adult by • Informing teachers, parents, guardians, or school authorities immediately on any animal-related encounter or incident within or outside school premises; • Contacting emergency hotlines such as #911 (National Hotline), #1555 (DOH Hotline) or your local health emergency center, when necessary.



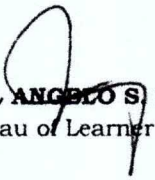
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BLSS enjoins teaching and other non-teaching personnel to utilize the Word Rabies Day-related resources and references accessible through this link <https://tinyurl.com/WorldRabiesDay2026>.

All expenses related to the reproduction and dissemination of IEC materials for World Rabies Day 2026 may be charged to Program Support Funds or local funds, subject to usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

For more information and clarification, please contact **Mr. Gideon John Tuliao**, Health Education and Promotions Officer II, or **Ms. Julia Andrea Aguila**, Technical Assistant II, via email (blss.shd@deped.gov.ph).


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