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**SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR SY 2002-2003**

To: Bureau Directors  
Regional Directors  
Schools Division/City Superintendents  
Public and Private Elementary and Secondary School Heads

1. For School Year 2002-2003, the following dates and periods shall be observed:

- a. The elementary and secondary school year shall begin on a Monday, June 17, 2002 and end on a Thursday, April 8, 2003. It shall consist of two hundred three (203) class days.
- b. The Christmas break shall begin on Saturday, December 21 and classes shall resume on Monday, January 6, 2003.
- c. The secondary school summer classes shall begin on Monday, April 14, 2003 and end on Thursday, May 29, 2003. The summer class shall consist of a 3-hour and 42 minutes session per unit daily for 36 days, including Saturdays.

2. In addition to the regular days and special holidays authorized in Executive Order No. 203 promulgated on June 30, 1987, the observance of other school holidays shall be allowed provided the minimum number of class hours and class days is observed.

3. The dates given in this calendar shall be compulsory for public elementary and secondary schools. Private schools may deviate from this calendar provided that they do not open earlier than the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of June nor later than the last Monday of June of this year; they meet the minimum number of class hours and class days (200 days); and the appropriate DepEd Office is notified in advance.

4. The 2002-2003 DepEd School Calendar and the distribution of class days by month and by grading period are hereby enclosed.

*"Bawat Graduate, Bayani at Marangal"*

5. Immediate and wide dissemination of this Order is desired.

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Enclosures:  
As stated

Reference:  
DECS Order No. 13, s. 2001

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index  
under the following subjects:

CALENDAR, SCHOOL  
CLASSES

(Inclosure No. 1 to DepEd Order No. 10, s. 2002)

### 2002-2003 School Calendar

June	17	All classes begin
	20	National Diagnostic Test (NDT) for High School National Diagnostic Test (NDT) for Elementary
August	22 & 23	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter Examinations
	25	National Heroes' Day (legal holiday)
November	1	All Saints' Day (special holiday)
	11 & 12	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter Examinations
	17	PEPT (Luzon)
	24	PEPT (Visayas & Mindanao)
	30	Bonifacio Day (legal holiday)
December	2	Education Week begins
	21	Christmas Vacation begins
	25	Christmas Day (legal holiday)
	30	Rizal Day (legal holiday)
	31	Last Day of the Year (special holiday)
January	1	New Year's Day (legal holiday)
	6	Classes resume
	28 & 29	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter Examinations
February	3-7	National Schools Press Conference (NSPC)
April	3 & 4	Grade VI & Fourth Year Examinations
	9	Araw ng Kagitingan (legal holiday)
	10 & 11	Final Examinations for Grades 1-5 Final Examinations for First Year to 3 <sup>rd</sup> Year
	12	School Year ends
	17	Holy Thursday
	18	Good Friday
	22	Summer classes begin
May	1	Labor Day (legal holiday)
June	2 & 3	Final Examinations
	3	Summer classes end

(Inclosure No. 2 to DepEd Order No. 10, s. 2002)

**Number of Class Days for SY 2002-2003**

June	-	10
July	-	23
August	-	22
September	-	21
October	-	23
November	-	20
December	-	15
January	-	22
February	-	20
March	-	21
April	-	6
Total	-	<hr/> 203