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**OMNIBUS POLICY ON KINDERGARTEN EDUCATION**

To: Undersecretaries  
Assistant Secretaries  
Bureau Directors  
Regional Directors  
Schools Division Superintendents  
Public and Private Elementary School Heads  
All Others Concerned

1. Republic Act No. 10157 also known as the *Kindergarten Education Act* provides equal opportunities for all children to accessible and mandatory kindergarten education. Thus, the Department of Education (DepEd) issues the enclosed **Omnibus Policy on Kindergarten Education** for School Year 2016-2017, and the subsequent school years thereafter.
2. This DepEd Order (DO) therefore sets the basic standards for an efficient and effective Kindergarten Education Program implementation for both public and private schools nationwide, and shall serve as basis for accreditation and/or recognition of those intending to put early learning centers.
3. This DO further provides a comprehensive Kindergarten Education policy covering the following different components of implementing Kindergarten Education Program:
  - a. curriculum;
  - b. instruction, such as teaching methodologies and strategies;
  - c. assessment;
  - d. learning resources and instructional materials;
  - e. learning space and environment; and
  - f. monitoring and evaluation for the standard delivery of kindergarten services.
4. All existing Orders, Memoranda, and other related issuances inconsistent with this policy are superseded.
5. This policy will remain in force and in effect, unless sooner, repealed, amended or rescinded.
7. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Order is directed.

  
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As stated

References:

DepEd Order: Nos. 21, 25, and 32, s. 2012

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**OMNIBUS POLICY ON KINDERGARTEN EDUCATION**

**I. Rationale**

1. Pursuant to the “Kindergarten Education Act” (Republic Act No. 10157) and the “Enhanced Basic Education Act of 2013” (Republic Act No. 10533), mandatory and compulsory Kindergarten education that effectively promotes physical, social, cognitive, and emotional skills stimulation and values formation is offered to all five (5)-year old Filipino children to sufficiently prepare them for Grade One. The Kindergarten Education Act recognizes that Kindergarten education is vital to the development of the Filipino child “for it is the period when the young mind’s absorptive capacity is at its sharpest” (Section 2, RA 10157). It is also the policy of the State to make education responsive to the needs, circumstances, and diversity of learners, schools, and communities using developmentally-appropriate and culturally-sensitive practices.
2. In recent decades, numerous studies have shown that early childhood education is key to success in later school and in life. According to Reynolds (2000), long-term effects include a reduction in remediation and assignment to special education, an increase in high school graduation rates, higher rates of employment and lower instances of crime. Furthermore, children who participate in quality early childhood education “perform better in school, and become productive members of the community and society” (UNICEF, Philippines).
3. The advent of RA 10157 and RA 10533 is a major milestone that gives the Department of Education (DepEd) the official mandate to offer Kindergarten education to all five-year old children. This comprehensive policy ensures a standardized implementation of the Kindergarten Education Program. It entails a thorough review and analysis of the different issuances relative to Kindergarten by different stakeholders with the objective of coming up with a single policy.

**II. Statement and Scope of the Policy**

4. Consistent with Section 2 of the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of RA 10157, the Department of Education shall provide equal opportunities for all children at least five (5) years old with Kindergarten education. This DepEd Order therefore sets the basic standards for an efficient and effective Kindergarten Education Program implementation for both public and private schools nationwide, and shall serve as basis for accreditation and/or recognition of those intending to put up early learning centers.

5. This DepEd Order further provides a comprehensive Kindergarten Education policy covering the different components of implementing Kindergarten Education Program— curriculum, instruction (i.e., teaching methodologies and strategies), assessment, learning resources and instructional materials, learning space and environment, and monitoring and evaluation for the standard delivery of Kindergarten services.

### III. Definition of Terms

6. For purposes of this policy, the following terms are defined and understood as follows:
  - A. **Kindergarten Education (KE)** is the first stage of compulsory and mandatory formal education which consists of one (1) year of preparatory education for children at least five (5) years old as prerequisite for Grade One (Section 6, IRR of RA 10533).
  - B. **Kindergarten Catch-Up Education Program (KCEP)** refers to the various educational delivery modes and interventions for children above five (5) years who are caught in difficult circumstances and/or extreme poverty that they missed schooling, attending Day Care Service, or any kind of early childhood learning opportunity.
  - C. **Kindergarten Curriculum Guide (KCG)** is also known as the Standards and Competencies for Five (5) Year Old Filipino Children. It is the listing of competencies or skills in the seven (7) developmental domains for holistic development of children. The KCG is the basis in coming up with the daily activities spelled out in the Teacher’s Guide.
  - D. **Teacher’s Guide** formerly known as the National Kindergarten Curriculum Guide, or the Forty (40)-Week Curriculum is the primary reference of Kindergarten teachers in carrying out the day to day teaching and learning processes. It contains suggested play- and theme-based activities for the different blocks of time per day, within a week and in the span of forty (40) weeks.
  - E. **Developmental Domains** refer to the seven (7) learning areas in the Kindergarten curriculum namely: 1) Language, Literacy, and Communication (*Wika, Karunungan sa Pagbasa at Pagsulat*); 2) Socio-Emotional Development (*Pagpapaunlad ng Sosyo-Emosyunal at Kakayahang Makipamuhay*); 3) Values Development (*Kagandahang Asal*); 4) Physical Health and Motor Development (*Kalusugang Pisikal at Pagpapaunlad sa Kakayahang Motor*); 5) Aesthetic/Creative Development (*Sining*); 6) Mathematics (*Matematika*), and; 7) Understanding of the Physical and Natural Environment (*Pag-unawa sa Pisikal at Natural na Kapaligiran*).

- F. **Developmentally Appropriate Practice (DAP)** is an approach to teaching based on child development and early childhood education research. It is the application of knowledge and skills to suit the age, individuality, and the social and cultural backgrounds of each learner. This practice allows teachers to modify their teaching strategies to respond to diverse learner needs.
  
- G. **Medium of Teaching and Learning (MOTL)** refers to the Language of Instruction (LOI) or Medium of Instruction (MOI) where Mother Tongue of the learners shall be the primary language used in teaching and learning in Kindergarten.
  
- H. **Mother Tongue** refers to the “language or languages first learned by a child, which he or she identifies with, is identified as a native language user of by others, which he or she knows best, or uses most.” (Section 4(d), Implementing Rules and Regulations of RA 10533).

#### **IV. Purposes and Defining Features of Kindergarten Education**

##### 7. Purposes of Kindergarten Education

- A. The Kindergarten Education (KE) Program aims that all five year old children achieve the standards and competencies expected of them, taking into account their diverse backgrounds, prior knowledge and experiences, skills, attitudes, personal traits, and interests. Achievement of universal Kindergarten or provision of KE to all will increase young learners’ chance of completing formal schooling, reduce incidence of school leavers, and ensure better school performance.
  
- B. Concomitant to the goal of the Kindergarten Education Program is the promotion, protection and maintenance of the health and nutritional status of children. This is ensured through provision of appropriate health and nutrition assessments and various health services, as well as inculcation of desirable habits and behavior to enhance motivation and capacity for learning, prevent absenteeism, and guarantee that children enjoy and stay in school.
  
- C. The Kindergarten Education Program adopts the general principles of the National Early Learning Framework (NELF). These guiding principles provide the philosophical and theoretical foundation for teaching and learning in the early years. Below are the general principles of the NELF:

i. On Child Growth and Development

- a. Every child is unique. Growth and development vary from child to child, for whom the first eight years of life are most vital. S/he has an innate desire to learn, and this is best done through meaningful and real experiences.
- b. Every aspect of growth and development is interrelated and interdependent. The child needs to be nurtured in a good and caring environment that enhances healthy and dependable relationships with other children and most significant adults.
- c. The learning and development of every child involve a series of complex and dynamic processes that are best attended to in a more positive and responsive manner.
- d. The child must be encouraged to aspire beyond one's own level of achievements and to practice newly acquired competencies.
- e. Every child is a thinking, moving, feeling, and interactive human being able to actively participate in the learning and development of self in the context of one's family and community, including cultural and religious beliefs.

ii. On Learning Program Development

- a. The learning program is child-centered. It promotes the holistic way by which young children grow and develop, and recognizes the role of families and communities in supporting the child through various stages of growth and development.
- b. The learning program is appropriate for developing the domains, and must sustain interest in active learning of all young children including those with special abilities, in marginalized situations, and/or those at risk.
- c. The learning program is implemented by way of diverse learning activities that may be enhanced with multimedia technologies such as interactive radio, audio and/or video content, and information and communications technology-enhanced activities.
- d. The use of learning materials and other resources that are locally developed and/or locally available is encouraged. The mother tongue shall be used as the child's language of learning.

iii. On Learning Assessment

- a. Assessment is done to monitor learning, know where the child is at, and inform parents of the child's progress.

- b. Assessment is crucial to identifying the child's total developmental needs and does not determine academic achievement.
- c. Assessment is best conducted on a regular basis so that a timely response or intervention can be made to improve learning.
- d. The results of the learning assessment of a child shall be kept strictly confidential. Ratings should be more qualitative or descriptive, and less numerical.
- e. The family and community must be informed of the general outcomes of learning so as to encourage further cooperation and partnerships.

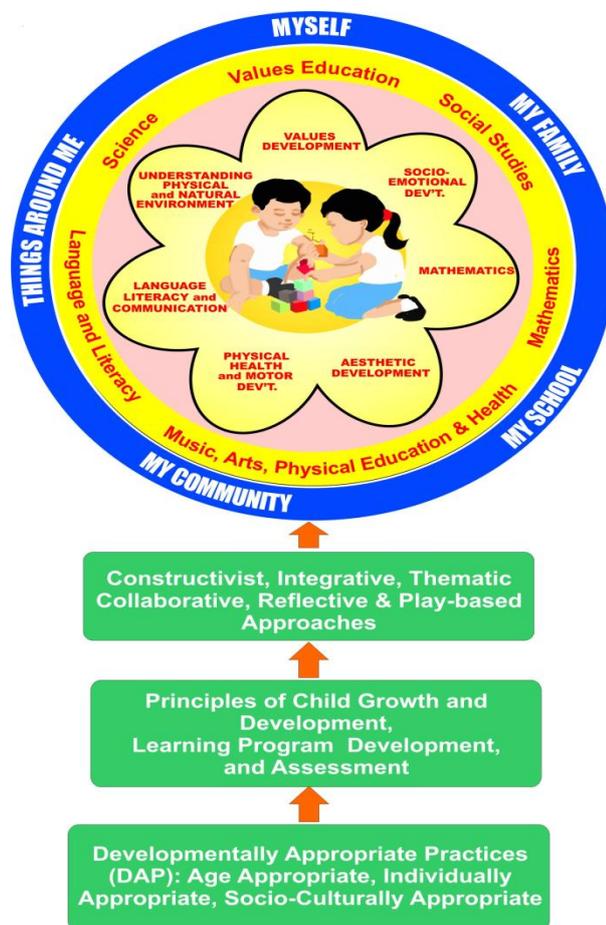
#### 8. Defining Features of the Kindergarten Education Program

- A. The Kindergarten Education program must be engaging, creative, child-centered, and follow developmentally appropriate practices which immerse the learners in meaningful experiences. Learners are given equal opportunities to effectively promote their physical, social, cultural, emotional, and intellectual development, including values formation to ascertain school readiness.
- B. Children learn best through play and active involvement in concrete and meaningful experiences. Play is essential to healthy and holistic child development as it gives children opportunities to learn about and understand their world and practice newly acquired skills. Play is also essential in building children's self-confidence, problem-solving, and cooperative learning skills that prepare them for lifelong learning. The varied play-based activities in Kindergarten lead the learners to becoming emergent literates, and help them to acquire naturally the competencies to develop holistically. This also leads them to become willing risk takers, and ready to tackle formal school work.
- C. Children continuously develop in all domains in a holistic way. When progress is noted in one developmental domain, it will consequently impact on other domains. The contents of the developmental domain are defined by learning expectations.
- D. The Mother Tongue of the learner shall be the primary medium of teaching and learning in Kindergarten (Section 5, RA 10157).

## V. Program Components

### 9. Kindergarten Curriculum

- A. The Kindergarten curriculum has been crafted using the thematic or integrative approach to curriculum development in a spiralling learning process. This approach employs integrative and interactive teaching-learning strategies as well as child-centered learning experiences. A copy of the Kindergarten Curriculum Guide can be accessed via the DepEd website: <http://www.deped.gov.ph/k-to-12/curriculum-guides>.



**Figure 1. The Kindergarten Curriculum Framework**

- B. Figure I illustrates the Kindergarten Curriculum Framework. The items in rectangles show the theoretical bases for teaching-learning in the early years, which are founded on constructivism, integrative, thematic, collaborative, inquiry-based, and reflective teaching in play-based approaches with application of the Developmentally Appropriate Practices (DAP); these support

the principles of child growth and development, and the learning program development and assessment. The circles, on the other hand, signify the system of how Kindergarten Education is to be employed. The interlocked ellipses represent the learning domains that have to be nurtured and equally imparted to holistically develop children. It also forms a flower that portrays the gradual unfolding but steady development, as is expected of every child. The child is seen as being in the process of blossoming – like a flower bud whose development should not be forced lest it lose its chance to fully mature. The domains are enclosed by the Learning Areas children will meet in Grade One onward, for which they are being prepared. The outermost layer indicates the Curricular Themes upon which the Teacher’s Guide is designed.

- C. Kindergarten Education is contextualized to address the specific circumstances of diverse learners with the curriculum enhanced in relation to their context.
  - i. Kindergarten Madrasah Curriculum (KMC) is also based on the KCG and patterned after the way the Teachers’ Guide is designed. The only difference is the integration of Arabic Language and Islamic Values Education (ALIVE) concepts. This curriculum is for Muslim Kindergarten learners enrolled in elementary schools with ALIVE classes.
  - ii. For schools in indigenous communities or with a dominant number of indigenous learners, guidance in contextualizing the Kindergarten Curriculum Guide is provided for in the Indigenous Peoples Education (IPEd) Curriculum Framework (DepEd Order No. 32, s. 2015). Indigenous Peoples Education Curriculum is “identified broadly in the National IPEd Policy Framework as appropriate basic education pedagogy, content, and assessment through integration of Indigenous Knowledge, System, and Practices (IKSPs) in all learning areas and processes. It also covers the provision of adequate and culturally-appropriate learning resources and environment” (DepEd Order No. 32, s. 2015).
  - iii. Kindergarten Catch-Up Education Program (KCEP) Curriculum is designed for learners who have not undergone Kindergarten Education due to difficult circumstances. They include but are not limited to children who are displaced because of armed conflict, urban resettlement, and disasters, with chronic illness, and victims of abuse and child labor practices. The KCEP curriculum is a two (2) month play-based program adopted from the Teacher’s Guide.

## 10. Instruction: Teaching Methodologies and Strategies

- A. Mother Tongue is the primary MOTL in Kindergarten.

- B. Learning activities are organized into thematic units or teaching themes. Thematic units integrate concepts and skills from the seven (7) developmental domains. The themes include - Myself, My Family, My School, My Community, and Other Things Around Me.
- C. Kindergarten follows a class program known as the **Blocks of Time** (See Table 1). Following the daily routine helps children feel safe while supporting and encouraging them to take risks and work cooperatively with others. The Kindergarten teacher observes and documents children’s learning as they are involved in the learning activities. Many outcomes of Kindergarten curriculum are reinforced once daily routines are practiced. This system of organizing the children’s learning experiences can be appropriately contextualized in relation to the social and cultural realities in their community.

Table 1 outlines an indicative schedule, description of activities, and sample competencies that can be developed in each block of time.

Table 1. Blocks of Time

<b>Block of time</b>	<b>No. of minutes</b>	<b>Description of Learning Activities</b>	<b>Sample competencies linked to daily routine</b>
Arrival time	10	Period of individual, peer or group exploration of the different play areas or activity centers in the classroom while waiting for the other children to arrive.	Fine motor skills such as scribbling, drawing, building with blocks, molding figures using playdough  Language literacy and communication skills such as using greetings and polite expressions  Socio-emotional skills such as autonomy, working with others, and self-regulation.
Meeting Time 1	10	Introductory or preparatory activities for the day which include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• class circle for teacher-guided</li> </ul>	Language, Literacy, and Communication Skills such as following instructions, expressing ideas, participating in conversations or

<b>Block of time</b>	<b>No. of minutes</b>	<b>Description of Learning Activities</b>	<b>Sample competencies linked to daily routine</b>
		<p>recitation (e.g., prayer, songs, etc.)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>teacher-led physical exercises</li> </ul>	discussions
Work Period 1	45	Children work in small groups, in pairs, or individually on either teacher-assigned or child-initiated activities.	<p>Numeracy skills such as recognizing and writing numerals, comparing quantities, etc.</p> <p>Work and Study Skills such as ability to accomplish tasks within allotted time, ability to stay focused</p>
Meeting Time 2	10	The children are once again gathered by the teacher as a whole group. Also a time to prepare for washing hands before eating snacks.	Language, Literacy, and Communication Skills such as following instructions, recalling information
Recess	15	Nourishing break for the learners. Proper etiquette for eating will be part of the teacher's instruction as this break is facilitated.	<p>Personal Autonomy or self-help skills (feeding self, use of utensils, etc.)</p> <p>Fine motor skills such as opening lids and containers</p>
Quiet Time	10	During this time, children can rest or engage in relaxing activities.	Following instructions
Stories/ Rhymes/ Poems/ Songs	15	This is a teacher-guided interactive read-aloud activity for stories, rhymes,	Language, Literacy and Communication Skills such as recalling story details, relating personal

<b>Block of time</b>	<b>No. of minutes</b>	<b>Description of Learning Activities</b>	<b>Sample competencies linked to daily routine</b>
		poems, or songs.	experience to story events, etc.
Work Period 2	40	Children work in small groups, in pairs, or individually on either teacher-assigned or child-initiated activities.	Cognitive Skills e.g. identifying attribute of objects match, sort, arrange objects in sequence according to a specific attribute; reasoning and problem-solving skills
Indoor/Outdoor Games	20	Activities include sports, simple athletics, movement activities, and outdoor games.	Gross and Fine Motor Skills such as balancing, running, throwing, catching  Receptive and Expressive Language Skills such as following instructions, etc.
Meeting Time 3	5	Children are given time to pack away. Teachers synthesize the children's learning experiences. Reminders and learning extensions are also given during this period.	Language, Literacy and Communication Skills such as expressing feelings, describing experiences, following instructions, etc.  Self-help skills such as packing own things, return things to the proper place, etc.
<b>Total</b>	180 minutes		

## 11. Classroom Assessment

- A. The Policy Guidelines on Classroom Assessment issued in DepEd Order No. 8, s. 2015 provides the basic direction on how assessment in Kindergarten

should be done. It prescribes the use of qualitative or non-numerical grading in measuring the performance, and tracking how a five-year old child learns vis-à-vis the expected learning outcomes. It is important to note that assessment, being integral to the learning and teaching process, must be conducted while learning is happening. Therefore, the best opportunity to assess children is in the natural setting of their daily engagement with classroom activities, and during play. Consequently, assessment requires performance-based tools based on the Kindergarten Curriculum Guide (KCG) that would yield an authentic measurement of the child's abilities and skills.

B. Assessment in Kindergarten should be ongoing and well-planned. Essentially, assessment assists teachers to understand individual strengths and weaknesses, and enables them to design appropriate learning activities to cater to the needs of individual learners. Assessment also leads to identification of possible learning difficulties or disabilities that may require further evaluation, and/or plans for early interventions.

i. What is assessed in the classroom?

Assessment in the Kindergarten classroom helps teachers to determine if the curriculum standards set for 5-year old Filipino learners have been met. Curriculum standards define *what children should know and be able to do* under the seven (7) developmental domains. The content and performance standards in the KCG outline what is to be learnt by Kindergarten children. The content standards describe what children are expected *to know* (knowledge), and the performance standards describe what children should *be able to do* (processes and skills). Teachers must use the curriculum standards in the KCG to assess children's learning, behaviors, and attitudes.

ii. What is the process of classroom assessment?

Classroom assessment is an ongoing process of identifying, gathering, organizing, and interpreting quantitative and qualitative information about what learners know and can do (DO 8, s. 2015). There are two types of classroom assessment, namely, formative and summative. Formative assessment is used to see how best to support learners in their development. On the other hand, summative assessment is used to measure whether learners have met the content and performance standards outlined in the KCG. Both results of formative and summative assessments can be used to evaluate how well the program has been able to meet the needs of the children in the class, help

teachers arrive at important decisions regarding future learning, and reflect on their teaching practices.

a. Formative Assessment

The primary means of formatively assessing Kindergarten learners is through observation. Observing and recording are essential parts of the formative assessment within the Kindergarten program. Systematic and sustained observation over time is crucial to getting to know each child in a deeper way. Formative assessment can be conducted throughout the different blocks of time within a day. Daily routines provide a rich source of information about individual children's level of independence, ability to follow instructions, ability to regulate their actions and behavior, and ability to manage themselves during transitions. Observing children during whole group activities like Meeting Time and Storytelling can yield information about their receptive and expressive language skills as well as sequential and memory abilities. Work period offers many opportunities to observe children's emerging competencies and needs across content areas such as Language, Literacy and Communication, Mathematics, and Understanding the Physical and Natural Environment. It also offers insights into how children work within a group and manage new and/or more challenging tasks. It also allows teachers to observe the children's level of engagement and participation in the varied activities provided in class. It is important that the teacher observes both the process and the outcome of a child's participation in an activity.

Teachers may also engage the children in a discussion about their work (i.e., the materials used, the children's level of effort and attitude while doing the work, as well as the learners' personal evaluation of their output). Such discussions help both teachers and learners. Learners are given immediate feedback that helps them appreciate what they already know and do well, and enable them to learn more or do better. Meanwhile, teachers gain deeper insights into the students' understanding of concepts, and their strengths and needs. It will allow teachers to teach their learners better.

Formative assessment in Kindergarten starts with the administration of the Philippine Early Childhood Development (ECD) Checklist at the beginning of the school year. The Philippine ECD Checklist is a normed developmental screening tool for three to five year old Filipino children. It has a standard protocol for administration and scoring. It provides significant information about a child's developmental status, and aids the teacher in detecting possible developmental delays.

If the child has undergone early childhood care in public day care centers, a copy of the accomplished Philippine ECD checklist should be obtained from the learner's parent upon enrollment. The teacher can then validate the accomplished ECD checklist or reassess certain competencies as necessary. However, if the child has no day care experience, the teacher has to administer the Philippine ECD checklist at the beginning of the school year. This initial assessment is important because it enables teachers to establish individual profiles of their learners, and guide the teachers to modify objectives and learning experiences to meet individual needs of children. It also helps teachers determine whether learners may need further assessment or special intervention.

b. Summative assessment

For Kindergarten, this form of assessment is conducted at the end of the year, through the administration of the Philippine ECD checklist, and teacher-made assessment tools (i.e., portfolio assessment, and performance-based tasks).

At the end of the school year, it is important to determine achievement of competencies across developmental domains as articulated in the KCG. Learners should be assessed for all remaining competencies in the KCG. Evaluation of individual children's achievement levels and school performance is always based on the combination of both the built-in or informal evaluation, and the more formal and periodic evaluation. In that sense, summative assessment is always cumulative. It is a collection of assessments performed over time. Thus, a single form of assessment is inappropriate. In addition, the nature of the child must be taken into consideration, and that a prolonged assessment session is not advisable.

The School Readiness Year-end Assessment (SReYA) Tool will no longer be administered as a year-end summative assessment for Kindergarten.

The yearly reproduction of the Philippine ECD checklist Child's Record Form 2 for every Kindergarten learner shall be incorporated in the Division Educational Development Plan (DEDP).

iii. How is assessment information recorded?

The teachers are responsible for keeping all evidence of children's learning. The following can be considered in recording and documenting, and reporting individual child's progress:

Teachers need to record evidence of children's achievement of the competencies across the seven (7) domains that were taught or developed within a quarter. Teachers record evidence of children's learning through the use of different recording mechanisms such as **checklists** and **portfolios**.

- a. **Checklists** are used to keep track of and record learners' competencies such as knowledge, understanding, skills, attitudes and behaviors while the children are learning. Target competencies are listed in logical order, with similar and related items grouped together. Typically, teachers put a check (✓) to indicate the presence and demonstration of behaviors, skills, and concepts mastered, or a cross (x) to indicate an absence of them. Teachers accomplish the checklists based on their day to day observations of the learners as they perform daily activities or assigned tasks in the different blocks of time. Checklists do not have to be completed in the day or week they began but can be completed progressively over a period of time.
- b. The Philippine ECD checklist is administered twice a year (beginning and end of the year) to evaluate Kindergarten learners' competencies in different domains.
- c. A **portfolio** is a systematic and organized collection of children's outputs. Teachers must have a compilation of learning evidence for each child. A portfolio is an important tool for monitoring the development of their skills, capabilities, and learning progress over time. Determining what will be included in the portfolio will depend on its purpose. Teachers may choose to organize portfolios to monitor growth of the learners' knowledge, skills and attitudes *in a particular area or domain*. Portfolios may also be used to display students' progress or achievements by showcasing the learners' work. An assessment portfolio may also include not just students' work, but also teacher's assessments, such as individual checklists or anecdotal records, which teachers may use as basis for accomplishing the learners' progress report. Presentation of the portfolio to parents will be at the end of every quarter during the Parent-Teacher Conference.

iv. How is assessment information reported?

At the end of every quarter, a **progress report** will be provided to the parents. Overall performance of the learner based on all the evidence of learning such as portfolios, checklists, and teacher's observations will be summarized in the progress report. The progress report contains a cluster of representative skills across developmental domains and content areas. Each of the representative skills listed in the progress report is linked to one or more competencies in the Kindergarten Curriculum Guide. Please see Appendix 1 for the progress report items and their links to the CG. Appendix 2 presents a sample template of the Kindergarten progress report that will be released to the parents. **Regional and Schools Division Offices shall ensure that the Kinder progress report released by the schools are contextualized in the Mother Tongue.**

Qualitative ratings shall be used in the progress report instead of numerical grades because these are more appropriate to the age and development of Kindergarten learners.

Quarterly parent-teacher conferences are opportune times to discuss with the parents/guardians the learners' achievements and progress over the course of ten (10) weeks. During these conferences, teachers present the learners' portfolios to the parents/guardians, and engage them in conversations about the learners' development and behavior in school, as well as learning goals for the next grading period.

Teachers are encouraged to celebrate the significant achievements of their students by giving certificates of recognition or teacher-made ribbons every quarter. At the end of the year, each learner in class shall be recognized for their most evident abilities or positive traits and attitudes. Teachers are also encouraged to engage in discussions with individual learners about their progress and achievements. These discussions should build confidence and motivation in the learner, and should lead to setting of learning goals.

v. How are learners promoted or retained at the end of the school year?

All learners who complete Kindergarten are promoted to Grade One. However, a learner may be considered for possible retention if he or she has incurred absences of more than 20% of the prescribed number of hours during the school year. In this case, the School Head may, at his or her discretion after looking into the individual's case, exempt a learner who exceeds the 20% limit for reasons considered valid and acceptable to the school (DepEd Order No. 8, s.

2015). For learners who take part in their community's socio-cultural activities which also contribute to the development of their cognitive and cultural capacity (e.g., farming and communal mourning practices), the competencies developed during such activities shall be assessed and considered in deciding on the learner's retention or promotion.

## 12. Learning Resources and Instructional Materials

- A. Learning resources and instructional materials refer to materials that teachers use to help students meet the learning standards. For Kindergarten learners, active interaction with the materials and people in the environment is the key to better learning. Learners use these materials to learn about their relationships with the physical world as they interact with them. Engaging in these materials not only gives fun and enjoyment to children but also helps develop new skills and competence.
- B. Teachers should refer to the Kindergarten Curriculum Guide to identify the learning standards and competencies that are expected of Kindergarten learners. These standards and competencies should drive teachers' instructional decisions in the classroom. The Teacher's Guide is another primary reference for teachers in carrying out the day to day teaching and learning processes. It contains suggested play- and theme-based activities for the different blocks of time per day, within a week and in the span of forty (40) weeks. It should be noted that Kindergarten teachers can modify or revise these suggested plans, activities, and materials depending on his/her assessment of the learners' instructional needs and socio-cultural context.
- C. The basic instructional materials for children include, but are not limited to, the following:
- i. Manipulative Toys (e.g., table blocks, lacing beads, tangrams, counting frame, picture dominoes, jigsaw puzzles, and counters (such as stones, shells, seeds, bottle caps, leaves, and twigs))
  - ii. Activity cards/board games (e.g., cover all and call out games: uppercase letters, lowercase letters; colors, numbers, shapes; connecting games, picking up games, etc.)
  - iii. Learner's Material (Readiness Activity Sheets) and Teacher-Made activity sheets
  - iv. Books (read-aloud books or big books, small books, picture story books, wordless picture books, concept books, board books, etc.)

- v. Open-ended sensory materials (e.g., sand and water, clay or home-made playdough, etc.)
- vi. Multimedia and computer-aided materials such as songs, rhymes, movies in CD/DVD, interactive educational games
- vii. Indigenous instructional materials or locally produced or parent-made toys and play equipment

D. All instructional materials that are provided to Kindergarten learners should be well-chosen, fit for purpose, and safe to use and manipulate. Materials should be stimulating, lightweight, and durable as well. All these instructional materials should be properly organized in the Kindergarten classroom to maximize their utility. Teachers should also take time to introduce how materials should be used and cared for by the learners.

### 13. Learning Space and Environment

- A. The school should provide a rich physical learning environment that is open, respectful, caring, nurturing, and safe for the total development of the learners. This includes the wider community setting where the learners' prior learning has its origins and which has been foundational in honing their learning abilities. Young children learn by doing and active engagement with materials, equipment, people, and places in their learning environment. The organization of the space inside and outside the classroom, including the materials and equipment, sets the expectations for student engagement. The physical environment should anticipate individual, small group, and whole group activities among students, and allow for teacher and student-initiated activities as well. Through these group activities, children learn how to work with others, share, negotiate, resolve conflicts, learn self-advocacy skills, practice decision-making skills, move at their own pace, discover their own areas of interest, and ultimately fully engage in their individual interests and choices.
- B. Consequently, the classroom arrangement should allow engaging experiences in reading, writing, listening, dramatic play, art, numeracy, and the natural environment. Corresponding areas/space must therefore be provided to encourage learners to spend more time engaging in different learning activities within these areas. The learning environment needs to be set up in such a way that learners are provided with a variety of learning opportunities and challenging experiences that will develop autonomy and competence, and will stimulate their joy in learning.
- C. As a general rule, the setup of the learning space, which includes the classroom and the play area, should be designed in relation to the socio-

cultural and bio-geographical context and realities of the community, since learning and its application happen best in relation to the learners' actual experiences in the community setting. The durability of materials and structures may also be strongly affected by the bio-geographical environment and local weather patterns and thus, should be considered in choosing a site and in designing and building the classroom. These considerations should be taken into account in relation to the descriptions of the classroom set-up discussed below.

i. Classroom (see Appendix 3 for sample classroom layouts)

a. Size

- a.1 The standard classroom size is 7m x 9m.
- a.2 All schools must allocate a classroom exclusively for Kindergarten with 1:1 teacher-classroom ratio.
- a.3 All Kindergarten classrooms must be located on the ground floor, and must be next to the nearest entry and/or exit access points.

b. Furniture and Equipment

b.1 The following are the minimum requirements:

- 5 tables and 30 chairs
- 1 set of Teacher's table and chair
- 1 Teacher's cabinet
- 1 open shelf for the manipulative toys
- 1 open shelf for storybooks
- 1 open shelf for the Learner's Materials
- 1 unit Kindergarten cubby for the learner's personal belongings
- 1 unit ceiling fan
- 2 units wall fan

b.2 The technical specifications of basic school furniture specifically designed for Kindergarten are found in DepEd Order No. 93 s. 2009: Enclosures 4.1 - 4.6.

b.3 The mounting of a clean multifunction blackboard or white board should consider the eye level and reach of the children.

b.4 Water, sanitation, and hygiene facilities such as toilet, bathroom, and hand washing facilities must be suitable to the height of Kindergarten children. Installation of the toilet bowl should be such that 5-year old children can sit comfortably on the bowl with

both feet touching the floor, and installation of urinal for the boys should be such that 5-year old children can stand comfortably with both feet touching the floor. Water facilities and lavatory should be made available in every classroom.

b.5 Proper and adequate lighting (natural and electric lighting), and ventilation for a 7m x 9m classroom, should have at least two (2) 40-watt fluorescent lamps, and one (1) wide window (2010 Educational Facilities Manual).

b.6 Emergency equipment and tools should be present inside the classroom (e.g., fire extinguisher, flashlight, and whistle), as well as a medical kit (e.g., bandages, gauze, antiseptic solution, and basic medicines).

d. Activity Corners (2010 Educational Facilities Manual)

d.1. Personal Care and Grooming

- mirror, comb, towel, toothbrush, soap, toiletries, nailcutter, tissue paper, etc.

d.2. Language Arts Corner

- books (i.e., picture story books, picture concept books, wordless books, science/nature books, Filipiniana, student- or teacher-made books), and other reading materials displayed on open shelves
- area should be covered with mat or carpet, have pillows and small stuffed toys

d.3. Sensory-Perceptual and Numeracy Skills Corner

- Science and Mathematics Corner (e.g. magnifying glass, counters, beads, number cards, nature tables, etc.)

d.4. Motor and Creative Development Corner

- percussion instruments (e.g., tambourine, castanets, xylophone, wood block, etc.), open-ended materials (big blocks, small blocks, clay, etc)

d.5. Work Area / Activity Area

- tables, chairs, art and school supplies

d.6. Dramatic Play / Free Play Area

- household play items, costumes or dress me up items, etc.

ii. Play Area

To support the development of their physical and motor skills, as well as improve their concentration and attention, Kindergarten learners should have daily access to ample outdoor space with a minimum lot area of 360

square meters. This would allow them to run, walk, climb, jump, hop, skip, slide, creep, crawl, swing, or throw and catch. The outdoor environment should have a balance of sunny and shaded areas, and it should be clean, safe, and well-maintained. Playground equipment such as, but not limited to, balance beam, swing, seesaw, monkey bars, sand and water play equipment, simple obstacles, and slides are recommended. Appendix 4 lists down the technical specifications of structures and facilities recommended for the outdoor play area. A House and Garden Care area can also be set up with gardening tools (i.e., shovel, spade, pails, sprinklers, cleaning tools, etc.) in a safe area designated for gardening. Appendix 5 presents a sample layout for an outdoor play area.

An alternative space for playground is the nearest park or open space not more than 200 meters from the school. This arrangement must be approved in writing by the authorized representative of the park or open space. In cases where outdoor spaces are limited and unsafe, the school must set up an indoor play area to ensure the development of the learners' physical and motor skills.

iii. Teacher-student ratio

The organization of Kindergarten class in public schools is prescribed to be at 1:25 teacher-pupil ratio and classroom pupil ratio. In Multigrade schools where the number of enrolment is less, classes should still be organized (Kindergarten class should be conducted separately).

14. Teacher Hiring and Development

A. Schools Division Superintendents must strictly adhere to the policy on the deployment of teacher items, and shall prioritize the hiring of qualified Kindergarten teachers following the guidelines stipulated in DepEd Order Nos. 7 and 22, s. 2015.

i. Educational Qualifications

Must have obtained any of the following degrees, or its equivalent:

- Bachelor in Early Childhood Education
- Bachelor of Science in Preschool Education
- Bachelor of Science in Family Life and Child Development
- Bachelor in Elementary Education, with specialization in Kindergarten, Preschool or Early Childhood Education (ECE)
- Bachelor in Elementary Education, Major in Teaching Early Grades
- Bachelor of Arts/Science Degree in discipline allied to Education, such as Psychology, Nursing, Music and Arts, etc. with at least 18 units incontent courses or subjects in ECE

- Bachelor in Elementary Education, Major in Special Education (SPED) with 18 units in ECE
- Bachelor of Secondary Education with additional Diploma in ECE including Practice Teaching in Kindergarten Education
- Other degree courses and/with at least 18 units in Early Childhood Education

ii Mother Tongue proficiency

Kindergarten teachers must be proficient in the Mother Tongue of the learners, and/or the language widely-used in the community where the school is located. Deployment of Kindergarten teachers must take into consideration the medium of teaching and learning used in the schools.

iii Teacher Induction Program

Kindergarten teachers must attend the K to 3 Teacher Induction Program organized by the School Head and/or the Schools Division Superintendent (SDS).

iv. Continuous Professional Development Training/Programs

- a. School heads shall organize and monitor Learning Action Cells for all K to 3 teachers as a venue for continuous and cost-effective in-service training and teacher development. Trained Kindergarten teachers are encouraged to initiate and facilitate these collaborative learning sessions with other Kindergarten teachers.
- b. Kindergarten teachers are encouraged to pursue continuous professional development by attending teacher-training programs, seminars, and/or conferences on areas such as, but not limited to: developmentally appropriate practices, early intervention, child growth and development, early language, literacy, and numeracy (ELLN), Mother Tongue proficiency, and best practices in MTB-MLE implementation.

B. Involvement of learning facilitators from the community

As part of contextualizing the teaching-learning process and strengthening the partnership with the community which is the wider “classroom”/learning space of the learners, learning facilitators from the community (e.g., parents, culture bearers, and knowledge holders) may take part in sessions as appropriate and agreed upon with the community. School heads should facilitate the process of dialogue with the community and based on agreements reached, oversee the proper coordination between the community learning facilitators and Kindergarten teachers in the management of sessions.

## VI. Enrolment Procedures

15. All Regional Directors, Schools Division Superintendents, and School Heads of both public and private schools are directed to accept children in accordance with the following guidelines:
  - A. Age qualification for Kindergarten learners in public schools should be five (5) years old by June 1 of every school year (DepEd Order No. 16, s. 2015). However, the school may consider learners entering Kindergarten who will turn five (5) years old by the end of August on the condition that the **Philippine Early Childhood Development (ECD) Checklist must be administered to the learner** to ensure that the learner is capable of meeting the expectations of the grade level. Parents may provide documentation and/or certification of the learner's previous Early Childhood Education (ECE) experiences (i.e., preschool, day care, pre-Kindergarten) in addition to the results of the Philippine ECD Checklist. School Heads must then submit a letter stating the learner's results from the Philippine ECD Checklist and if there are any additional documentation of ECE experiences to the Schools Division Superintendent (SDS), and secure written permission from the SDS for these learners to enter Kindergarten.
  - B. A birth or baptismal certificate is the documentary basis for early registration. Learners without a birth certificate may still enroll, but must submit their birth certificate within the school year (DepEd Order No. 1, s. 2015). The certificate is also the documentary basis for the issuance of the Learner's Reference Number (LRN) (DepEd Order No. 42, s. 2014). In the absence of a birth certificate during enrolment, the parents or guardian must execute an affidavit of identity of the incoming Kindergarten learner.
  - C. If the child has undergone pre-Kindergarten in Day Care Centers or Child Development Centers, a copy of his or her Philippine ECD checklist must be provided to the Kindergarten teacher. However, the Kindergarten teacher shall still administer the Philippine ECD checklist to validate the child's developmental abilities during the opening of classes.
  - D. Eligibility for Grade 1
    - i. Children who have completed DepEd-accredited Kindergarten programs are eligible for Grade 1.
    - ii. Children who are six years old and above who have not completed Kindergarten due to difficult circumstances and/or extreme poverty will have to complete the Kindergarten Catch-up Education Program (KCEP). At the end of the KCEP, teachers will have to assess the learners using the Philippine ECD checklist, and report the learner's performance by

accomplishing the Kindergarten Progress Report. These documents will have to be turned over to the learner's Grade 1 teacher upon enrolment. The results of the assessment will be used by the Grade 1 teacher to design or modify instruction to meet the learner's specific needs.

- iii. Children who have completed alternative Kindergarten programs not sanctioned by the Department of Education (i.e. non-DepEd accredited learning centers offering Kindergarten, day care centers offering Kindergarten, home-schooled students) must undergo a validating test administered by the Bureau of Education Assessment in the DepEd Central Office. A representative from BEA may be requested by the SDOs to administer the validating test in their respective SDOs.

## **VII. Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E)**

16. The Quality Assurance and the School Governance and Operations Divisions at the Region and Schools Division levels respectively are required to conduct monitoring, to provide technical assistance, and to gather best practices and feedback. Regional Offices (ROs) should ascertain that SDOs are in compliance with the herein policy for quality implementation of the Kindergarten Education Program. SDOs should also ascertain that schools are in compliance with provisions in the policy.
17. It is required that monitors, supervisors, and school heads, must have adequate training to ensure professional competence and the required characteristics to be effective monitors, supervisors, and managers of the Kindergarten Education Program. These include the skills in instructional development and management such as mastery of the KCG and knowledge of the recommended pedagogies, and the ability to transmit them during supervision so that teachers flourish in the process of monitoring. Monitoring ranges from daily monitoring of teacher attendance, punctuality, classroom preparation, curriculum implementation, and child-teacher interactions.
18. The Education Facilities Division (EFD) at the Central Office, Region Engineer, Schools Division Engineer, Kindergarten Supervisor/Coordinator, and School Heads should closely monitor the quality of the learning environment.
19. The Teaching and Learning Division (TLD) from the Bureau of Learning Delivery shall continuously monitor and provide technical assistance to the Curriculum and Learning Management Division (CLMD) and to the Curriculum Implementation Division (CID).

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## **IX. Effectivity**

This policy effective SY 2016-2017 shall remain in force and effect, unless sooner repealed, amended, or rescinded.

All prior DepEd Orders, other issuances, or provisions thereof which are inconsistent with this Order are rescinded.

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<p><b>Health, Well-Being, and Motor Development</b></p> <p>Demonstrates health habits that keep the body clean and sanitary</p>	<p><b>PNEKBS-II-8</b> Identify one's basic needs and ways to care for one's body</p> <p><b>PNEKBS-II-9</b> Practice ways to care for one's body</p> <p><b>KPKPKK-Ih-1</b> Naisasagawa ang pangangalaga sa pansariling kalusugan tulad ng: paglilinis ng katawan, paghuhugas ng kamay bago at pagkatapos kumain, pagsesipilyo, pagsusuklay, paglilinis ng kuko, pagpapalit ng damit, pagtugon sa personal na pangangailangan nang nag-iisa (pag- ihi, pagdumi)</p> <p><b>KPKPKK-00-2</b> Naiipakikita ang wastong pangangalaga sa mga pansariling kagamitan sa paglilinis at pag-aayos ng katawan</p> <p><b>KPKPKK-Ih-3</b> Nakikilala ang kahalagahan ng mga tuntunin: pag-iwas sa paglalagay ng maliit na bagay sa bibig, ilong, at tainga, hindi paglalaro ng posporo, maingat na paggamit ng matutulis/matatalim na bagay tulad ng kutsilyo, tinidor, gunting, maingat na pag-akyat at pagbaba sa hagdanan, pagtingin sa kaliwa't kanan bago tumawid sa daan, pananatiling kasama ng nakatatanda kung nasa sa matataong lugar</p>
<p>Demonstrates behaviors that promote personal safety</p>	<p><b>PNEKE-00-6</b> Observe safety practices in different kinds of weather</p> <p><b>PNEKPP-00-6</b> Use objects and materials safely</p> <p><b>KPKPKK-Ih-2</b> Nakikilala ang kahalagahan ng pansariling kaligtasan: nagpapaalam kung lalabas, sumasama lamang sa mga kilalang tao/kaloro, nagsasabi ng "HUWAG" o "HINDI" kung hinipo ang maselang bahagi ng katawan</p> <p><b>KPKPKK-Ih-4</b> Naipakikita ang simpleng na kahandaan sa panahon ng sakuna: lindol, baha, sunog, atbp.</p>
<p>Demonstrates locomotor skills such as walking, running, skipping, jumping, climbing correctly during play, dance or exercise activities</p>	<p><b>PNEKBS-Ic-3</b> Demonstrate movements using different body parts</p> <p><b>KPKPF-00-1</b> Nakasasali sa mga laro, o anumang pisikal na gawain at iba't ibang paraan ng pag-eheersisyo</p> <p><b>KPKGM-Ie-2</b> Naisasagawa ang mga sumusunod na kilos lokomotor sa pagtugon sa ritmong mabagal at mabilis (paglakad, pagtakbo, pagkandirit, paglundag/pagtalon, pagluksa)</p> <p><b>KPKGM-Ig-3</b> Nagagamit ang mga kilos lokomotor at di-lokomotor sa paglalaro, pag- eheersisyo, pagsasayaw</p>

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<p>Demonstrates non-locomotor skills such as pushing, pulling, turning, swaying, bending, throwing, catching, and kicking correctly during play, dance or exercise activities</p>	<p><b>KPKGM-00-4</b> Naipakikita ang panimbang sa pagsasagawa ng iba't ibang kilos ng katawan, gaya ng paglukso-luksong pahalinhinan ang mga paa (skipping), pagtulay nang di natutumba sa tuwid na guhit, pag-akyat at pagbaba sa hagdanan</p> <p><b>PNEKBS-Ic-3</b> Demonstrate movements using different body parts</p> <p><b>KPKGM-Ig-3</b> Nagagamit ang mga kilos lokomotor at di-lokomotor sa paglalaro, pag-eheersisyo, pagsasayaw</p> <p><b>SKMP-00-9</b> Nakagagalaw, nakasabay, nakaiindak at nakasasayaw sa himig na napapakinggan</p> <p><b>KPKPF-Ia-2</b> Nakagagalaw (martsa, palakpak, tapik, padyak, lakad, lundag at iba pa) nang angkop sa ritmo at indayog bilang tugon sa himig na napapakinggan/awit na kinakanta</p> <p><b>KPKGM-Ia-1</b> Naisasagawa ang paggalaw/pagkilos ng iba'tibang bahagi ng katawan sa saliw ng awitin nang may kasiyahan</p>
<p>Demonstrates fine motor skills needed for self-care / self-help such as toothbrushing, buttoning, screwing and unscrewing lids, using spoon and fork correctly, etc.</p>	<p><b>KPKFM-00-1</b> Paggamit ng kutsara at tinidor, pagbobotones, pagsara ng zipper, pagtali/pagsuot ng sapatos</p> <p><b>KPKPKK-00-2</b> Naipakikita ang wastong pangangalaga sa mga pansariling kagamitan sa paglilinis at pag-aayos ng katawan</p> <p><b>KPKPKK-Ih-1</b> Naisasagawa ang pangangalaga sa pansariling kalusugan tulad ng: paglilinis ng katawan, paghuhugas ng kamay bago at pagkatapos kumain, pagsesipilyo, pagsusuklay, paglilinis ng kuko, pagpapalit ng damit, pagtugon sa personal na pangangailangan nang nag-iisa (pag- ihi, pagdumi) paghuhugas ng kamay, pagkatapos gumamit ng palikuran</p>
<p>Demonstrates fine motor skills needed for creative self-expression/ art activities, such as tearing, cutting, pasting, copying, drawing, coloring, molding, painting, lacing,etc.</p>	<p><b>LLKH-00-6</b> Trace, copy, and write different strokes: scribbling (free hand), straight lines, slanting lines, combination of straight and slanting lines, curves, combination of straight and curved and zigzag</p> <p><b>LLKH-00-2</b> Trace, copy, and draw familiar figures</p> <p><b>KPKFM-00-1.2</b> Naisasagawa ang mga sumusunod na kasanayan: pagtiklop ng papel</p> <p><b>KPKFM-00-1.3</b> Naisasagawa ang mga sumusunod na kasanayan: pagpilas/paggupit/pagdikit ng papel</p> <p><b>KPKFM-00-1.5</b> Naisasagawa ang mga sumusunod na kasanayan: pagmomolde ng luwad (clay), pagbuo ng puzzles</p> <p><b>KPKFM-00-1.6</b> Naisasagawa ang mga sumusunod na kasanayan: paglikha ng mga modelo pangkaraniwang bagay sa paligid</p>

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	<p><b>SKMP-00-1</b> Nakalilikha ng iba't ibang bagay sa pamamagitan ng malayang pagguhit</p> <p><b>SKMP-00-2</b> Nakaguguhit, nakapagpipinta at nakapagkukulay ng iba't ibang bagay o gawain (dekorasyon sa "name tag", kasapi ng mag-anak , gawain ng bawat kasapi ng mag-anak, mga alagang hayop mga halaman sa paligid)</p> <p><b>SKMP-00-3</b> Nakagagawa ng modelo ng mga pangkaraniwang bagay sa paligid: dahon, bato, buto, patpat, tansan at iba pa</p> <p><b>SKMP-00-4</b> Nakagugupit at nakapagdidikit ng iba't ibang hugis na may iba't ibang tekstura</p> <p><b>SKMP-00-5</b> Nakapagkikiskis (rubbing) ng krayola sa papel na nakapatong sa iba't ibang teksturang makikita sa paligid: semento, banig, medalya, basket, pera, sahi</p> <p><b>SKMP-00-6</b> Nakapagmomolde ng luwad (clay) sa nais na anyo</p> <p><b>SKMP-00-7</b> Nakapupunit, nakagugupit at nakapagdidikit sa paggawa ng collage</p> <p><b>SKMP-00-8</b> Nakapagpapatung-patong, nakapagdudugtong- dugtong at nakapagdidikit-dikit (assemblage) ng mga patapong bagay: maliit na kahon ng gamot</p>
Traces, copies, or writes letters and numerals	<p><b>KPKFM-00-1.4</b> Naisasagawa ang mga sumusunod na kasanayan: pagbakat, pagkopya ng larawan, hugis, at titik</p> <p><b>SKMP-00-2</b> Nakaguguhit, nakapagpipinta at nakapagkukulay ng iba't ibang bagay o gawain (dekorasyon sa "name tag", kasapi ng mag-anak , gawain ng bawat kasapi ng mag-anak, mga alagang hayop mga halaman sa paligid)</p> <p><b>SKMP-00-7</b> Nakapupunit, nakagugupit at nakapagdidikit sa paggawa ng collage</p> <p><b>LLKH-00-6</b> Trace, copy, and write different strokes: scribbling (free hand), straight lines, slanting lines, combination of straight and slanting lines, curves, combination of straight and curved and zigzag</p> <p><b>LLKH-00-2</b> Trace, copy, and draw familiar figures</p> <p><b>LLKH-00-3</b> Trace, copy, and write the letters of the alphabet: straight lines (A, E, F, H, I, L, T), combination of straight and slanting lines (K, M, N, V, W, X, Y, Z), combination of straight and curved lines (B, C, D, G, J, O, P, Q, R, S, U), rounded strokes with loops</p> <p><b>LLKH-00-4</b> Write the lower case for each upper- case letter or vice versa</p>

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	<p><b>LLKVPD-00-5</b> Draw the missing part</p> <p><b>MKC-00-3</b> Read and write numerals 0 to 10</p>
<p><b>Socioemotional Development</b></p> <p>States personal information (name, gender, age, birthday)</p> <p>Expresses personal interests and needs</p>	<p><b>SEKPS-00-1</b> Nakilala ang sarili</p> <p><b>SEKPS-Ia-1.1</b> 1.1 pangalan at apelyido</p> <p><b>SEKPS-Ib-1.2</b> 1.2 kasarian</p> <p><b>SEKPS-Ic-1.3</b> 1.3 gulang/kapanganakan</p> <p><b>SEKPS-Ic-1.4</b> 1.4 gusto/di-gusto</p> <p><b>SEKPS-If-3</b> Nasasabi ang mga sariling pangangailangan nang walang pag-aalinlangan</p> <p><b>LLKOL-Ig-9</b> Express thoughts, feelings, fears, ideas, wishes, and dreams</p> <p><b>KMKPPam-00-8</b> Nakahihingi ng tulong sa mga nakatatanda at iba pang miyembro ng pamilya</p> <p><b>SKPK-00-1</b> Natutukoy ang magagandang bagay na nakikita sa paligid</p> <p><b>SKMP-00-10</b> Naipakikita ang kawilihan nang may sariling interpretasyon sa himig/tugtuging napapakigangan</p> <p><b>LLKVPD-Ia-13</b> Use the proper expression in introducing oneself e.g., I am/My name is _____</p> <p><b>LLKOL-Ic-15</b> Talk about likes/dislikes (foods, pets, toys, games, friends, places)</p>
<p>Demonstrates readiness in trying out new experiences, and self-confidence in doing tasks independently</p>	<p><b>SEKPS-Ie-5</b> Naipakikita ang tiwala sa sarili na tugunan ang sariling pangangailangan nang mag-isa</p> <p>Hal. maghugas ng kamay, kumain, magbihis, magligpit, tapusin ang gawaing nasimulan</p> <p><b>SEKPS-IIIC-6</b> Naipakikita ang kahandaan na sumubok ng bagong karanasan</p> <p><b>SEKPS-If-2</b> Naisakikilos ang sariling kakayahang sa iba't ibang paraan, hal. pag-awit, pagsayaw, at iba pa</p> <p><b>KAKPS-00-3</b> Nakagagawa nang nag-iisa</p>

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Expresses feelings in appropriate ways and in different situations	<p><b>KAKPS-00-2</b> Nakagagawa nang may kusa</p> <p><b>KAKPS-00-1</b> Napagsisikapang matapos ang sinimulang gawain sa itinakdang oras</p> <p><b>KAKPS-00-7</b> Naipahahayag sa positibong paraan ang nararamdaman</p> <p><b>SEKPS-00-8</b> Natutukoy ang kahalagahan ng pagpapakita ng positibong pag-uugali sa harap ng hindi inaasahang pangyayari tulad ng pagkatalo sa laro, atbp.</p> <p><b>SEKPS-00-10</b> Naipakikita ang pag-unawa sa nangyayari o kasalukuyang sitwasyon at nakapaghihintay sa tamang oras na matugunan ang gusto/pangangailangan</p> <p><b>SEKEI-00-1</b> Naipahihiwatig ang katanggap-tanggap na reaksiyon sa mga akmaang sitwasyon (hindi pagtawa sa nasaktan na batang nadapa)</p>
Follows school rules willingly and executes school tasks and routines well	<p><b>KAKPS-00-5</b> Nakasusunod sa mga utos/gawain nang maayos at maluwag sa kalooban</p> <p><b>KAKPS -00-9</b> Nakapagligpit lamang ng sariling gamit</p> <p><b>KAKPS-00-12</b> Nakapaghihintay ng kanyang pagkakataon</p> <p><b>SEKPS IIa-4</b> Nakasusunod sa mga itinakdang tuntunin at gawain (routines) sa paaralan at silid-aralan</p> <p><b>KAKPS-00-4</b> Naisasagawa ang simpleng gawain nang maluwag sa kalooban</p> <p><b>KAKPS-00-8</b> Napagbabalik/napagsasauli ng mga bagay na napulot</p> <p><b>LLKAPD-Id-6</b> Listen discriminately and respond appropriately, i.e., speak loudly/softly when asked to adjust volume of television/ radio</p> <p><b>KAKPS-00-14</b> Naipakikita ang pagiging tahimik at maayos sa pagkilos/ pagsunod sa seremonya gaya ng pagluhod/pagtayo/pagyuko, pag-awit kung nasa pook dalanginan</p> <p><b>KMKPKom-00-4</b> Napananatiling malinis ang kapaligiran sa pamamagitan ng pagtulong sa mga simpleng gawain tulad ng pagwawalis ng bakuran, pagtapon ng basura sa tamang lalagyan at iba pa.</p>

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<p>Recognizes different emotions, acknowledges the feelings of others, and shows willingness to help</p>	<p><b>KMKPKom-00-5</b> Naipakikita ang pagtulong at pangangalaga sa kapaligiran: pagdidilig ng mga halaman, pag-aalis ng mga damo at kalat, hindi pagsira ng halaman, pag-aalaga sa hayop</p> <p><b>KAKPS-00-12</b> Nakapaghihintay ng kanyang pagkakataon</p> <p><b>KAKPS-00-15</b> Naipakikita ang paggalang sa pambansang sagisag (watawat at Pambansang Awit): pagtayo nang tuwid na nakalagay ang kanang kamay sa dibdib habang umaawit at itinataas ang watawat</p> <p><b>SEKEI -00-2</b> Nagkakaroon ng kamalayan sa damdamin ng iba</p> <p><b>SEKPS-00-11</b> Nakikilala ang mga pangunahing emosyon (tuwa, takot, galit, at lungkot)</p> <p><b>KAKPS-00-20</b> Naipakikita ang kusang pagtulong sa panahon ng pangangailangan</p> <p><b>LLKLC-Ig-8</b> Infer character feelings and traits in a story listened to Identify the speaker in the story or poem listened to</p>
<p>Shows respect in dealing with peers and adults</p>	<p><b>KAKPS-00-6</b> Naipakikita nang kaaya-aya ang tamang gawain sa iba't ibang sitwasyon</p> <p><b>KAKPS-00-12</b> Nakapaghihintay ng kanyang pagkakataon</p> <p><b>KMKPPam-00-5</b></p> <p>4. Naipakikita ang pagmamahal sa mga kasapi ng pamilya at sa nakatatanda sa pamamagitan ng:</p> <p>4.1 pagsunod nang maayos sa mga utos/kahilingan</p> <p>4.2 pagmamano/paghalik</p> <p>4.3 paggamit ng magagalang na pagbati/pananalita</p> <p>4.4 pagsasabi ng mga salitang may pagmamahal (I love you Papa/Mama)</p> <p>4.5 pagsasabi ng “Hindi ko po sinasadya”, “Salamat po”, “Walang anumang”, kung kinakailangan</p> <p>4.6 pakikinig sa mungkahi ng mga magulang at iba pang kaanak</p> <p>4.7 pagpapakita ang interes sa iniisip at ginagawa ng mga nakatatanda at iba pang miyembro ng pamilya</p> <p><b>KAKPS-00-21</b> Nakapagsasabi ng totoo sa magulang, nakatatanda at iba pang kasapi ng pamilya sa lahat ng pagkakataon</p> <p><b>KAKPS-00-11</b> Nakahihingi ng pahintulot (paggamit ng bagay na pag-aari ng ibang tao, pagpasok/paglabas ng silid-aralan/tahanan)</p>

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	<p><b>KAKPS-00-13</b> Natatawag ang mga kalaro at ibang tao sa kanilang pangalan</p> <p><b>KAKPS-00-19</b> Naipakikita ang pagpapahalaga sa maayos na pakikipaglaro: pagiging mahinahon, pagsang-ayon sa pasiya ng nakararami/reperi, pagtanggap ng pagkatalo nang maluwag sa kalooban, pagtanggap ng pagkapanalo nang may kababaang loob</p> <p><b>KAKPS-00-16</b> Nasasabi, nakikilala at naipakikita ang kahalagahan ng pakikibahagi (pagbabahagi ng pagkain, laruan, gamit)</p> <p><b>KAKPS-00-20</b> Naipakikita ang kusang pagtulong sa panahon ng pangangailangan</p> <p>KMKPAra-00-5 Nakapagbubuo ng pagkakaibigan</p> <p><b>KPKPF-00-1</b> Nakasasali sa mga laro, o anumang pisikal na gawain at iba't ibang paraan ng pag-eheersisyo</p> <p><b>SEKPN-00-1</b> Nakapagsisimula ng laro</p> <p><b>SEKPN-Ig-2</b> Nakikipaglaro sa dalawa o tatlong bata gamit ang isang laruan</p>
Identifies the members of one's family,	<p><b>KMKPPam-00-1</b> Natutukoy na may pamilya ang bawat isa</p> <p><b>LLKV-00-6</b> Give the names of family members, school personnel, and community helpers, and the roles they play/ jobs they do/things they use</p> <p><b>KMKPPam-00-8</b> Nakahihingi ng tulong sa mga nakatatanda at iba pang miyembro ng pamilya</p> <p><b>KMKPPam-00-6</b> Naikukuwento ang mga ginagawa ng pamilya nang sama-sama</p> <p>Naialarawan ang nagagawa ng mga tagapag-alaga/Nanay/Tatay/ Lolo/Lola, atbp.</p> <p><b>KMKPPam-00-2</b> Natutukoy kung sino-sino ang bumubuo ng pamilya</p> <p><b>KMKPPam-00-7</b> Natutukoy ang mga pangangailangan ng pamilya at kung paano nila ito natutugunan</p>
Identifies people and places in the school and community	<p><b>KMKPARa-00-2</b> Nakikilala ang mga tauhan ng paaralan at ang tungkulin nilang ginagampanan</p> <p><b>KMKPARa-00-1</b> Natutukoy na ang bawat isa ay may karapatang matuto/makapag-aral/pumasok sa paaralan</p> <p><b>LLKV-00-6</b> Give the names of family members, school personnel, and community helpers, and the roles they</p>

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	<p>play/ jobs they do/things they use  <b>LLKV-00-8</b>            Name the places and the things found in the classroom, school and community  <b>KMKPKom-00-1</b>            Natutukoy na ang bawat pamilya ay nabibilang sa isang komunidad  <b>KMKPKom-00-2</b>            Nakikilala ang mga taong nakatatulong sa komunidad hal. guro, bombero, pulis, at iba pa  <b>KMKPKom-00-3</b>            Natutukoy ang iba't ibang lugar sa komunidad  <b>KMKPKom-00-7</b>            Natutukoy na ang paaralan ay isang mahalagang bahagi ng komunidad  <b>KMKPPam-00-3</b>            Nailalarawan kung paano nagkakaiba at nagkakatulad ang bawat pamilya  <b>SEKPP-Ib-1</b>            Nakikilala at iginagalang ang pagkakaiba-iba ng tao: wika, kasarian, kaanyuan, kulay, kultura (kasuotan, gawi, paniniwala), katayuan sa buhay, kakayahan</p>
<p><b>Language, Literacy and Communication</b>  <i>Listening and Viewing</i>            Distinguishes between elements of sounds e.g. pitch (low and high), volume (loud and soft)</p>	<p><b>LLKAPD-Ie-1</b>            Identify familiar sounds in the environment  <b>LLKAPD-Ie-2</b>            Tell who/ what is producing a given sound  <b>LLKAPD-Ie-3</b>            Identify where the sound is coming from (inside/outside the room)  <b>LLKAPD-Id-4</b>            Tell if the sound is loud/ soft, high/low  <b>LLKAPD-Ie-5</b>            Differentiate a soft from a loud sound/high from low  <b>LLKAPD-Id-6</b>            Listen discriminately and respond appropriately, i.e., speak loudly/ softly when asked, when asked to adjust volume of television/ radio</p>
<p>Listens attentively to stories/poems/songs</p>	<p><b>LLKLC-00-1</b>            Listen attentively to stories/poems/songs  <b>LLKBPA-00-9</b>            Predict what the story is all about based on the title of the book and the picture on the cover</p>

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Recalls details from stories/poems/songs listened to	<p><b>LLKLC-00-2</b> Recall details of the story: characters, when and where the stories/poems/songs happened, and the events in story listened to</p> <p><b>LLKLC-Ih-3</b> Talk about the characters and events in short stories/poems listened to</p> <p><b>LLKV-00-3</b> Recall and use words from story listened to</p>
Relate story events to personal experiences	<p><b>LLKLC-Ig-4</b> Relate personal experiences to events in stories/poems/songs listened to</p>
Sequence events from a story listened to	<p><b>LLKLC-Ih-6</b> Tell the event that happened first, middle, and last in stories listened to</p> <p><b>LLKLC-00-5</b> Retell stories listened to, with the help of pictures</p> <p><b>LLKLC-00-7</b> Give the correct sequence of three events in a story listened to orally and/or through drawing</p> <p><b>MKSC-00-9</b> Identify sequence of events (before, after, first, next, last)</p>
Infer character traits and feelings	<p><b>LLKLC-Ig-8</b> Infer character feelings and traits in a story listened to</p>
Identify simple cause-and-effect and problem-solution relationship of events in a story listened to or in a familiar situation	<p><b>LLKLC-00-9</b> Identify simple cause and/or effect of events in a story listened to</p> <p><b>LLKLC-00-11</b> Identify problem solutions in a story listened to</p> <p><b>PNEKE-00-5</b> Explore simple cause-and-effect relationships in familiar events and situations</p>
Predict possible outcomes	<p><b>LLKLC-00-10</b> Predict what might happen next in the story listened to</p> <p><b>LLKLC-00-12</b> Predict possible ending of a story listened to</p> <p><b>LLKBPA-00-9</b> Predict what the story is all about based on the title of the book and the picture on the cover</p> <p><b>MKAP-00-5</b> Tells possible outcomes of familiar events (e.g., what to wear on a sunny/rainy days, running fast on a wet and slippery corridor, etc.)</p>
Discriminates objects/pictures as same and different, identifies missing parts of objects/pictures, and identifies which objects do not belong to the group	<p><b>LLKVPD-Id-1</b> Tell which objects/pictures are the same based on color, shape, size, direction, and other details (T-shirt with collar and without collar)</p> <p><b>LLKVPD-00-3</b> Tell the missing parts in objects/picture</p> <p><b>LLKVPD-00-6</b> Identify the letter, number, or word that is different in a group</p>

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	<p><b>LLKVPD-Ie-4</b> Tell which two letters, numbers, or words in a group are the same</p> <p><b>MKAT-00-1</b> Match object, pictures based on properties /attributes in one-to-one correspondence</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- object to object</li> <li>- object to picture</li> <li>- picture to picture</li> </ul> <p><b>MKSC-00-11</b> Recognize symmetry (own body, basic shapes)</p> <p><b>SKPK-00-2</b> Nabibigyang-pansin ang linya, kulay, hugis at tekstura ng magagandang bagay na:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. makikita sa kapaligiran tulad ng sanga ng puno, dibuho sa ugat, dahon, kahoy; bulaklak, halaman, bundok, ulap, bato, kabibe, at iba pa</li> <li>b. gawa ng tao tulad ng mga sariling gamit, laruan, bote, sasakyan, gusali</li> </ol>
<p><i>Speaking</i></p> <p>Uses proper expressions in introducing oneself and polite greetings in appropriate situations</p>	<p><b>LLKOL-Ia-1</b> Use polite greetings and courteous expressions in appropriate situations</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1.1 Good Morning/Afternoon</li> <li>1.2 Thank You/You're Welcome</li> <li>1.3 Excuse Me/I'm Sorry</li> <li>1.4 Please.../May I....</li> </ol> <p><b>KMKPPam-00-5</b> Naipakikita ang pagmamahal sa mga kasapi ng pamilya at sa nakatatanda sa pamamagitan ng:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4.1 pagsunod nang maayos sa mga utos/kahilingan</li> <li>4.2 pagmamano/paghalik</li> <li>4.3 paggamit ng magagalang na pagbati/pananalita</li> <li>4.4 pagsasabi ng mga salitang may pagmamahal (I love you Papa/Mama)</li> <li>4.5 pagsasabi ng "Hindi ko po sinasadya ", "Salamat po", "Walang anumang", kung kinakailangan</li> </ol>
<p>Talks about details of objects, people, etc. using appropriate speaking vocabulary</p>	<p><b>LLKOL-Id-4</b> Talk about the details of an object/picture like toys, pets, foods, places</p> <p><b>LLKOL-00-5</b> Talk about family members, pets, toys, foods, or members of the community using various appropriate descriptive words</p> <p><b>LLKV-00-1</b> Describe common objects/things in the environment based on color, shape, size, and function/use</p> <p><b>LLKV-00-2</b> Recall and use words from story listened to</p> <p><b>LLKV-00-4</b> Give the meaning of words presented through real objects, pictures, actions, synonyms and antonyms,</p>

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	<p>and context clues</p> <p><b>LLKV-00-7</b> Give the synonyms and antonyms of given words</p> <p><b>LLKLC-Ih-3</b> Talk about the characters and events in short stories/poems listened to</p> <p><b>PNEKE-00-2</b> Identify what we wear and use for each kind of weather</p> <p><b>PNEKPP-00-2</b> Demonstrate an understanding that objects are made from one or more materials like metal, plastic, wood, paper</p> <p><b>PNEKPP-00-3</b> Communicate changes observed (e.g., shorter pencil when sharpened, ice to water, corn kernel becomes pop corn)</p> <p><b>PNEKPP-00-5</b> Describe movement of objects like, straight, round and round, back and forth, fast and slow</p> <p><b>PNEKA-Ie-1</b> Name common animals</p> <p><b>PNEKP-IIa-7</b> Name common plants</p> <p><b>LLKBPA-00-4</b> Talk about the pictures on the book cover</p> <p><b>MKSC-00-4</b> Describe objects based on attributes/properties (shapes, size, its use and functions)</p> <p><b>MKSC-00-12</b> Rote count up to 20</p>
Participates actively in class activities (e.g., reciting poems, rhymes, etc.) and discussions by responding to questions accordingly	<p><b>LLKOL-00-10</b> Participate actively in a dialog or conversation of familiar topics</p> <p><b>LLKOL-Ia-2</b> Recite rhymes and poems, and sing simple jingles/songs in the mother tongue, and/or English</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Filipino</p>
Asks simple questions(who, what, where, when, why)	<p><b>LLKOL-00-7</b> Ask questions about stories (who, what, where, when, why) as may be appropriate</p>
Gives 1 to 2 step directions	<p><b>LLKOL-00-8</b> Give 1- to 2-step oral directions</p>
Retells simple stories or narrates personal experiences	<p><b>LLKOL-Ig-3</b> Talk about one's personal experiences/narrates events of the day</p> <p><b>LLKOL-Ig-9</b> Express thoughts, feelings, fears, ideas, wishes, and dreams</p> <p><b>LLKLC-00-5</b> Retell stories listened to, with the help of pictures</p> <p><b>LLKOL-Ih-12</b></p>

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	<p>Retell in 1 to 3 sentences through pictures and dramatization</p> <p><b>LLKOL-Ic-15</b> Talk about likes/dislikes (foods, pets, toys, games, friends, places)</p> <p><b>KMKPARA-00-3</b> Nakapagkukuwento ng mga ginagawa sa paaralan</p> <p><b>KMKPARA-00-4</b> Nailalarawan ang mga karanasan na may kinalaman sa pagtutulungan ng pamilya at paaralan</p> <p><b>KMKPKom-00-6</b> Naikukuwento ang mga naging karanasan bilang kasapi ng komunidad</p>
<i>Reading</i>	
<p>Identifies sounds of letters</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Specify:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">A B C D E F G H I J K L M N Ñ N G O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z a b c d e f g h i j k l m n ñ ng o p q r s t u v w x y z</p>	<p><b>LLKPA-Ig-1</b> Identify the sounds of letters orally given</p> <p><b>LLKAK-Ih-7</b> Give the sound of each letter (mother tongue, orthography)</p> <p><b>LLKAK-Ih-5</b> Match the letter sound to its letter form</p>
<p>Names uppercase and lower case letters</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Specify:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">A B C D E F G H I J K L M N Ñ NG O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z a b c d e f g h i j k l m n ñ ng o p q r s t u v w x y z</p>	<p><b>LLKAK-Ih-3</b> Identify the letters of the alphabet (mother tongue, orthography)</p> <p><b>LLKAK-Ic-1</b> Identify the letters of one's given name</p>
<p>Matches uppercase and lower case letters</p> <p>Identifies beginning sound of a given word</p>	<p><b>LLKAK-Ih-4</b> Match an upper- to its lower-case letter</p> <p><b>LLKPA-Ic-2</b> Identify whether or not 2 spoken words begin with the same sound</p> <p><b>LLKPA-00-3</b> Select from 3 spoken words those that begin with the same sound</p> <p><b>LLKPA-Ig-7</b> Identify several words that begin with the same sound as the spoken word</p> <p><b>LLKV-00-5</b> Name objects that begin with a particular letter of the alphabet</p>
<p>Distinguishes words that rhyme</p>	<p><b>LLKPA-Ic-4</b> Tell whether a pair or set of spoken words rhyme</p> <p><b>LLKPA-00-6</b> Give a word that rhymes with a spoken word</p> <p><b>LLKPA-00-9</b> Tell whether words from a story read rhyme or not</p>

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Counts syllables in a given word	<p><b>LLKPA-Ig-8</b> Tell the number of syllables in given spoken words</p>
Identifies parts of the book (front and back, title, author, illustrator, etc.)	<p><b>LLKBPA-00-2</b> Identify parts of a book (front and back cover, and its pages)</p> <p><b>LLKBPA-00-3</b> Identify/read the title of the story</p> <p><b>LLKBPA-00-4</b> Talk about the pictures on the book cover</p> <p><b>LLKBPA-00-5</b> Tell what an author and illustrator do</p> <p><b>LLKBPA-00-8</b> Point to the first part/beginning of story</p>
Shows interest in reading by browsing through books, predicting what the story is all about and demonstrating proper book handling behavior (e.g., flip pages sequentially, browses from left to right, etc.)	<p><b>LLKBPA-00-6</b> Flip pages of the book sequentially from front to back</p> <p><b>LLKBPA-00-7</b> Tell that the left page is looked at/read before the right page</p> <p><b>LLKBPA-00-9</b> Predict what the story is all about based on the title of the book and the picture on the cover</p> <p><b>LLKBPA-00-10</b> Browse books on their own</p> <p><b>LLKBPA-00-11</b> Initiate reading books with peer/teacher</p> <p><b>LLKBPA-00-1</b> Hold the book upright</p> <p><b>KPKFM-00-1.1</b> Paglipat ng pahina</p>
Interprets information from simple pictographs, maps, and other environmental print	<p><b>LLKSS-00-1</b> Answer questions about the details in a pictograph</p> <p><b>LLKSS-00-2</b> Name the places and the things found in a map of a classroom</p> <p><b>LLKSS-00-3</b> Get information from simple environmental prints</p> <p><b>MKAP-00-3</b> Discuss simple pictographs</p> <p><b>LLKAK-Ia-6</b> Recognize one's given name by sight</p>
<i>Writing</i>	
Writes one's given name	<p><b>LLKH-00-5</b> Write one's given name</p>

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Writes lower case and upper case letters	<p><b>LLKH-00-3</b> Trace, copy, and write the letters of the alphabet: straight lines (A,E,F,H,I,L,T), combination of straight and slanting lines (K, M,N, V, W, X, Y, Z), combination of straight and curved lines (B, C, D, G, J, O, P, Q, R, S, U), rounded strokes with loops</p> <p><b>LLKH-00-4</b> Write the lower case for each upper- case letter or vice versa</p>
Express simple ideas through symbols (e.g., drawings, invented spelling)	<p><b>LLKC-00-1</b> Express simple ideas through symbols (e.g., drawings, invented spelling)</p> <p><b>LLKLC-00-13</b> Express one's idea/ self freely through creative ways (drawing, illustration, body movement, singing, dancing) based on story listened to</p> <p><b>LLKOL-Ih-12</b> Retell in 1 to 3 sentences through pictures and dramatization</p>
<b>Mathematics</b> Identifies colors	<p><b>MKSC-00-6</b> Sort and classify objects according to one attribute/property (shape, color, size, function/use)</p>
Identifies shapes	<p><b>MKSC-00-4</b> Describe objects based on attributes/properties (shapes, size, its use and functions)</p> <p><b>MKSC-00-1</b> Recognize simple shapes in the environment</p> <p><b>MKSC-00-2</b> Identify two to three dimensional shapes: square, circle, triangle, rectangle</p> <p><b>MKSC-00-3</b> Identify objects in the environment that has the same shape as a sphere, cube, cylinder</p>
Sorts objects according to shape, size and/or color	<p><b>MKSC-00-5</b> Group objects that are alike</p> <p><b>MKSC-00-6</b> Sort and classify objects according to one attribute/property (shape, color, size, function/use)</p> <p><b>PNEKPP-00-1</b> Classify objects according to observable properties like size, color, shape, texture, and weight)</p>
Compares or arranges objects according to a specific attribute (e.g., size, length, quantity, or duration)	<p><b>MKSC-00-10</b> Arrange objects one after another in a series/sequence according to a given attribute (size, length) and describe their relationship (big/bigger /biggest or long/longer /longest)</p> <p><b>MKSC-00-23</b> Tell that the quantity of a set of objects does not change even though the arrangement has changed (i.e., the child should be able to tell that one set of counters placed in one-to-one correspondence and then rearranged still has the same quantity)</p>

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	<p><b>MKSC-00-24</b> Tell that the volume of liquid does not change even if the size and shape of container do</p> <p><b>MKSC-00-25</b> Tell that length of an object does not change even if it is moved</p> <p><b>MKME-00-2</b> Compare objects based on their size, length, weight/mass</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• big/little</li> <li>• longer/shorter</li> <li>• heavier/lighter</li> </ul> <p><b>MKME-00-4</b> Tell which activities take a longer or shorter time (recognize and name the things that can be done in a minute, e.g., washing hands, etc., and recognize and name the things that can be done in an hour)</p> <p><b>MKC-00-8</b> Compare two groups of objects to decide which is more or less, or if they are equal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identify sets with one more or one less element</li> </ul>
Recognizes and extends patterns	<p><b>MKSC-00-19</b> Complete patterns</p> <p><b>MKSC-00-20</b> Reproduce and extend patterns</p> <p><b>MKSC-00-21</b> Create own patterns</p> <p><b>MKSC-00-22</b> Transform/translate patterns from one form to another</p>
Distinguishes the time of day and tells time by the hour (using analog clock)	<p><b>MKME-00-3</b> Tell the time of day when activities are being done, e.g., morning, afternoon, night</p> <p><b>MKME-00-5</b> Recognize that a clock and a watch tell time</p> <p><b>MKME-00-6</b> Recognize and name the hour and minute hands in a clock</p> <p><b>MKME-00-7</b> Tell time by the hour</p>
Tell the names of the days in a week	<p><b>MKC-00-10</b> Tell the number of days in a week</p> <p><b>MKME-00-8</b> Tell the names of the days in a week, months in a year</p>
Tell the months of the year	<p><b>MKME-00-8</b> Tell the names of the days in a week, months in a year</p>
Rote counts up to: ____	<p><b>MKSC-00-12</b></p>

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Count objects up to: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 Others: _____	Rote count up to 20 <b>MKC-00-7</b> Count objects with one-to-one correspondence up to quantities of 10 <b>MKC-00-4</b> Match numerals to a set of concrete objects from 0 to 10
Recognize and identify numerals up to: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 Others: _____	<b>MKC-00-2</b> Recognize and identify numerals 0 to 10
Writes numerals up to: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 Others: _____	<b>MKC-00-3</b> Read and write numerals 0 to 10
Sequences numbers	<b>MKC-00-5</b> Identify the number that comes before, after, or in between <b>MKC-00-6</b> Arrange three numbers from least to greatest/ greatest to least
Identify the placement of objects (e.g., 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> , etc.) in a given set Solves simple addition problems	<b>MKC-00-11</b> Identify the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, up to 10th object in a given set <b>MKAT-00-26</b> Recognize the words “put together,” “add to,” and “in all” that indicate the act of adding whole numbers <b>MKAT-00-3</b> Combine elements of two sets using concrete objects to represent the concept of addition <b>MKAT-00-8</b> Add quantities up to 10 using concrete objects <b>MKAT-00-10</b> Use a variety of materials and communicate strategies used to determine answers to addition and subtraction problems listened to <b>MKAT-00-11</b> Solve simple addition and subtraction number stories (up to quantities of 10) read by the teacher using a variety of ways (e.g., concrete materials, drawings) and describe and explain the strategies used <b>MKAT-00-14</b> Recognize and visualize situations that require addition and subtraction
Solves simple subtractions problems	<b>MKAT-00-4</b> Recognize the words “take away,” “less,” and “are left” that indicate the act of subtracting whole numbers <b>MKAT-00-9</b> Subtract quantities up to 10 using concrete objects <b>MKAT-00-10</b> Use a variety of materials and communicate strategies used to determine answers to addition and subtraction problems listened to <b>MKAT-00-11</b> Solve simple addition and subtraction number stories (up to quantities of 10) read by the teacher using a variety of ways (e.g., concrete materials, drawings) and describe and explain the strategies used

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Groups sets of concrete objects of equal quantities up to 10 (i.e., beginning multiplication)	<p><b>MKAT-00-14</b> Recognize and visualize situations that require addition and subtraction</p> <p><b>MKAT-00-15</b> Group, represent, and count sets of equal quantity of materials up to 10 (beginning of multiplication)</p>
Separates sets of concrete objects of equal quantities up to 10 (i.e., beginning division)	<p><b>MKAT-00-16</b> Separate and represent groups of equal quantities using concrete objects up to 10 (beginning division)</p> <p><b>MKAT-00-17</b> Divide a whole into two or four equal parts (halves and fourths)</p>
Measures length, capacity, and mass of objects using nonstandard measuring tools	<p><b>MKME-00-1</b> Use nonstandard measuring tools e.g., length – feet, hand, piece of string; capacity – mug/glass; mass – stone, table blocks</p>
Recognizes coins and bills (up to PhP 20)	<p><b>MKAT-00-2</b> Recognize and identify coins and bills up to PhP20 (pesos and centavos)</p>
<b>Understanding the Physical and Natural Environment</b>	
Identifies body parts and their functions	<p><b>PNEKBS-Id-1</b> Identify one's basic body parts</p> <p><b>PNEKBS-Id-2</b> Tell the function of each basic body part</p> <p><b>PNEKBS-Ic-4</b> Name the five senses and their corresponding body parts</p> <p><b>PNEKBS-Ij-7</b> Describe how one grows and changes</p>
Records observations and data with pictures, numbers and/or symbols	<p><b>MKAP-00-1</b> Collect data on one variable (e.g., sex/ boys or girls) through observation and asking questions</p> <p><b>MKAP-00-2</b> Create simple pictographs</p> <p><b>MKAP-00-3</b> Discuss simple pictographs</p> <p><b>PNEKA-IIIh-2</b> Observe, describe, and examine common animals using their senses</p> <p><b>PNEKP-IIb-1</b> Observe, describe, and examine common plants using their senses</p> <p><b>PNEKE-00-1</b> Tell and describe the different kinds of weather (sunny, rainy, cloudy, stormy, windy)</p> <p><b>PNEKBS-Ic-5</b> Use the senses to observe the environment</p>

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<p>Identifies parts of plants and animals and their specific functions</p>	<p><b>PNEKBS-Id-6</b> Use the senses to observe and perform simple experiments in classifying objects ( e.g., texture – soft/hard, smooth/rough; taste – salty, sweet, sour) <b>PNEKPP-00-4</b> Explores how objects can be moved like pushing, pulling, rising, sinking, blowing</p> <p><b>PNEKA-IIIh-2</b> Observe, describe, and examine common animals using their senses <b>PNEKA-IIIi-4</b> Group animals according to certain characteristics (how they look/ body, coverings/parts, how they move, sounds they make, what they eat, where they live) <b>PNEKA-III g-7</b> Identify and describe how animals can be useful <b>PNEKP-III-4</b> Identify and describe how plants can be useful <b>PNEKP-IIb-1</b> Observe, describe, and examine common plants using their senses</p>
<p>Classifies animals according to shared characteristics</p>	<p><b>PNEKA-IIIi-4</b> Group animals according to certain characteristics (how they look/ body, coverings/parts, how they move, sounds they make, what they eat, where they live) <b>PNEKP-IIb-8</b> Group plants according to certain characteristics, e.g., parts, kind, habitat</p>
<p>Describes the basic needs and ways to care for plants, animals and the environment</p>	<p><b>PNEKA-III g-5</b> Identify the needs of animals <b>PNEKA-III g-6</b> Identify ways to care for animals <b>PNEKP-IIb-2</b> Identify needs of plants and ways to care for plants <b>PNEKE-00-4</b> Identify simple ways of taking care of the environment</p>
<p>Identifies different kinds of weather</p>	<p><b>PNEKE-00-1</b> Tell and describe the different kinds of weather (sunny, rainy, cloudy, stormy, windy) <b>PNEKE-00-2</b> Identify what we wear and use for each kind of weather</p>



Region: \_\_\_\_\_

Division: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Section: \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Age of Child at the Beginning of the SY: Years \_\_ Months \_\_

Age of Child at the End of the SY: Years \_\_ Months \_\_

*The purpose of this progress report is to inform parents about their child's learning achievement based on the Kindergarten Curriculum Guide. This reflects a summary of your child's learning performance. It identifies your child's levels of progress in different domains of development (not necessarily academic) every ten (10) weeks or quarter so that we know if additional time and follow-up are needed to make your child achieve the competencies expected of a five (5) year old.*

**Each competency will be marked with: Beginning (B) ; Developing (D) or ; Consistent (C)**

<b>Health, Well-Being, and Motor Development</b>	<b>Q1</b>	<b>Q2</b>	<b>Q3</b>	<b>Q4</b>
Demonstrates health habits that keep one clean and sanitary				
Demonstrates behaviors that promote personal safety				
Demonstrates locomotor skills such as walking, running, skipping, jumping, climbing correctly during play, dance or exercise activities				
Demonstrates non-locomotor skills such as pushing, pulling, turning, swaying, bending, throwing, catching, and kicking correctly during play, dance or exercise activities				
Demonstrates fine motor skills needed for self-care / self-help such as toothbrushing, buttoning, screwing and unscrewing lids, using spoon and fork correctly, etc.				
Demonstrates fine motor skills needed for creative self-expression/ art activities, such as tearing, cutting, pasting, copying, drawing, coloring, molding, painting, lacing, etc.				
Traces, copies, or writes letters and numerals				
<b>Socioemotional Development</b>	<b>Q1</b>	<b>Q2</b>	<b>Q3</b>	<b>Q4</b>
States personal information (name, gender, age, birthday)				
Expresses personal interests and needs				
Demonstrates readiness in trying out new experiences, and self-confidence in doing tasks independently				
Expresses feelings in appropriate ways and in different situations				
Follows school rules willingly and executes school tasks and routines well				
Recognizes different emotions, acknowledges the feelings of others, and shows willingness to help				
Shows respect in dealing with peers and adults				
Identifies members of one's family				
Identifies people and places in the school and community				
<b>Language, Literacy, and Communication</b>	<b>Q1</b>	<b>Q2</b>	<b>Q3</b>	<b>Q4</b>
<b><i>Listening and Viewing</i></b>				
Distinguishes between elements of sounds e.g. pitch (low and high), volume (loud and soft)				
Listens attentively to stories/poems/songs				
Recalls details from stories/poems/songs listened to				
Relate story events to personal experiences				
Sequence events from a story listened to				

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Infer character traits and feelings				
Identify simple cause-and-effect and problem-solution relationship of events in a story listened to or in a familiar situation				
Predict story outcomes				
Discriminates objects/pictures as same and different, identifies missing parts of objects/pictures, and identifies which objects do not belong to the group				
<b>Speaking</b>				
Uses proper expressions in and polite greetings in appropriate situations				
Talks about details of objects, people, etc. using appropriate speaking vocabulary				
Participates actively in class activities (e.g., reciting poems, rhymes, etc.) and discussions by responding to questions accordingly				
Asks simple questions(who, what, where, when, why)				
Gives 1 to 2 step directions				
Retells simple stories or narrates personal experiences				
<b>Reading</b>				
Identifies sounds of letters (using the alphabet of the Mother Tongue)				
<i>The child can identify the following letter sounds:</i> /a/ /b/ /c/ /d/ /e/ /f/ /g/ /h/ /i/ /j/ /k/ /l/ /m/ /n/ /ñ/ /ng/ /o/ /p/ /q/ /r/ /s/ /t/ /u/ /v/ /w/ /x/ /y/ /z/				
Names uppercase and lower case letters (using the alphabet of the Mother Tongue)				
<i>The child can name the following uppercase and lower case letters:</i> A B C D E F G H I J K L M N Ñ NG O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z a b c d e f g h i j k l m n ñ ng o p q r s t u v w x y z				
Matches uppercase and lower case letters (using the alphabet of the Mother Tongue)				
Identifies beginning sound of a given word				
Distinguishes words that rhyme				
Counts syllables in a given word				
Identifies parts of the book (front and back, title, author, illustrator, etc.)				
Shows interest in reading by browsing through books, predicting what the story is all about and demonstrating proper book handling behavior (e.g., flip pages sequentially, browses from left to right, etc.)				
Interprets information from simple pictographs, maps, and other environmental print				
<b>Writing</b>				
Writes one's given name				
Writes lower case and upper case letters				
Express simple ideas through symbols (e.g., drawings, invented spelling)				
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Writes lower case and upper case letters				
Express simple ideas through symbols (e.g., drawings, invented spelling)				
<b>Mathematics</b>	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Identifies colors				
Identifies shapes				
Sorts objects according to shape, size, and/or color				
Compares and arrange objects according to a specific attribute (e.g., size, length, quantity, or duration)				
Recognizes and extends patterns				

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Tells the names of days in a week				
Tells the months of the year				
Distinguishes the time of day and tells time by the hour (using analog clock)				
Rote counts up to 20				
<i>The child can count up to: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 Others: _____</i>				
Counts objects up to 10				
<i>The child can count up to: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 Others: _____</i>				
Recognize numerals up to 10				
<i>The child can recognize numerals up to: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 Others: _____</i>				
Writes numerals up 10				
<i>The child can write numerals up to: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 Others: _____</i>				
Sequences numbers				
Identify the placement of objects (e.g. 1st, 2nd, 3rd, etc) in a given set				
Solves simple addition problems				
Solves simple subtraction problems				
Groups sets of concrete objects of equal quantities up to 10 (i.e., beginning multiplication)				
Separates sets of concrete objects of equal quantities up to 10 (i.e., beginning division)				
Measures length, capacity, and mass of objects using nonstandard measuring tools				
Recognizes coins and bills (up to PHP 20)				
<i>The child can recognize the following coins and bills: 5 centavos 10 centavos 25 centavos 1 peso 5 pesos 10 pesos 20 pesos</i>				

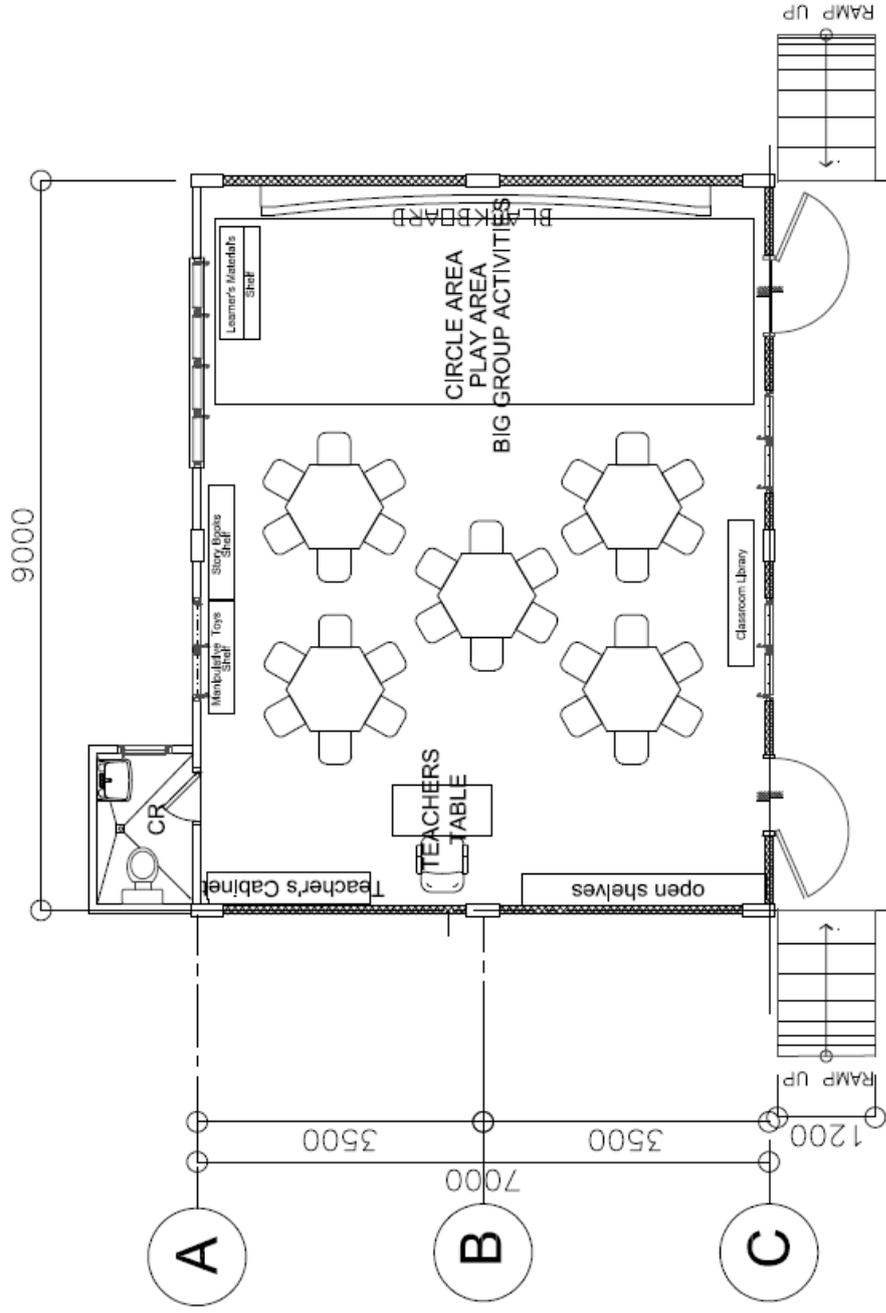
<b>Understanding the Physical and Natural Environment</b>	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Identifies body parts and their functions				
Records observations and data with pictures, numbers and/or symbols				
Identifies parts of plant and animals				
Classifies animals according to shared characteristics				
Describes the basic needs and ways to care for plants, animals and the environment				
Identify different kinds of weather				

#### RATING SCALE

Rating	Indicators
<b>Beginning (B)</b>	Rarely demonstrates the expected competency
	Rarely participates in class activities and/or initiates independent works
	Shows interest in doing tasks but needs close supervision
<b>Developing (D)</b>	Sometimes demonstrates the competency
	Sometimes participates, minimal supervision
	Progresses continuously in doing assigned tasks
<b>Consistent (C)</b>	Always demonstrates the expected competency
	Always participates in the different activities, works independently
	Always performs tasks, advanced in some aspects

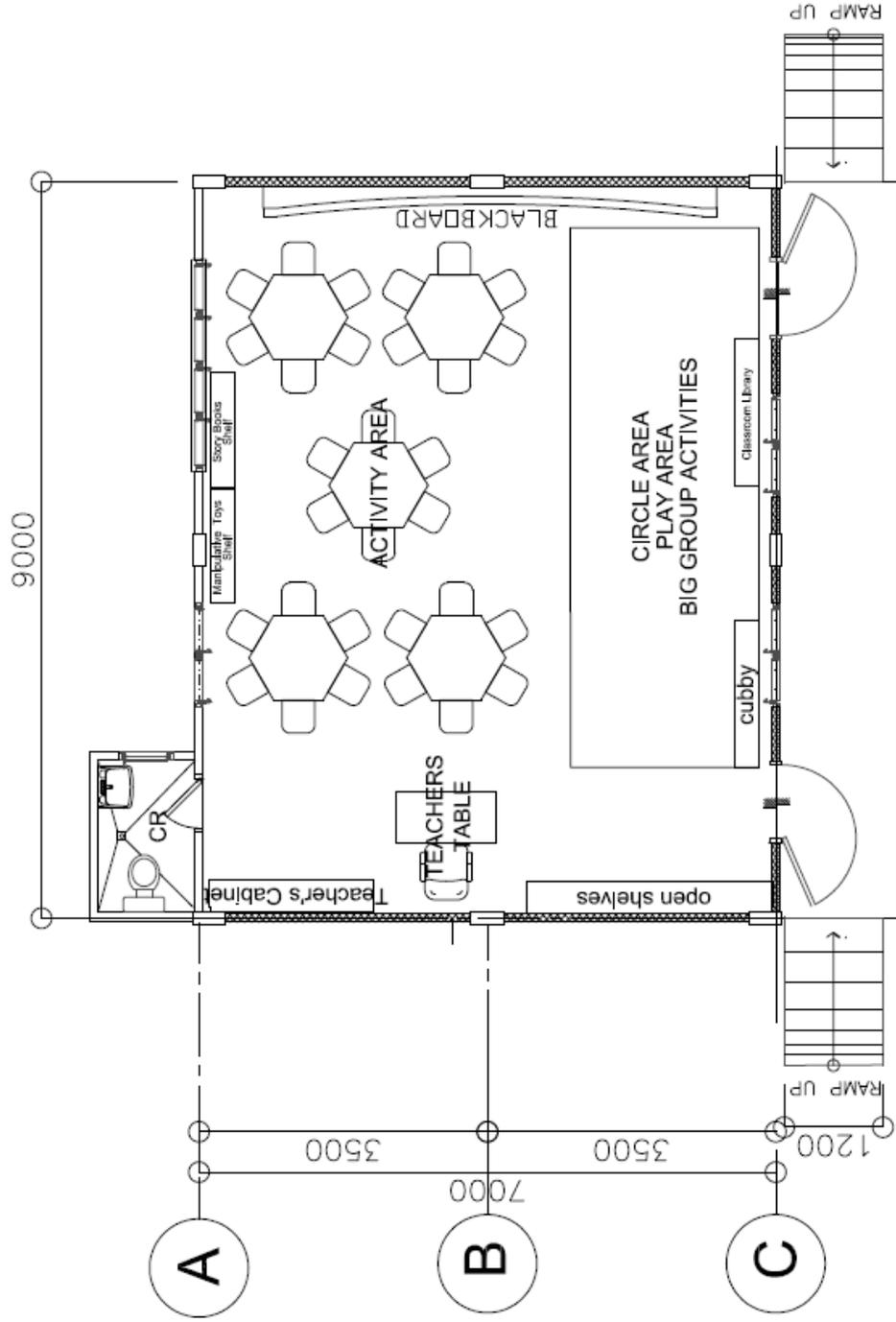


**Appendix 3: Sample Classroom Layouts for Kindergarten**



**Sample Classroom Layout 1**

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FLOOR PLAN

A-2
SCALE: 1:100m

**Sample Classroom Layout 2**

## **Appendix 4: Outdoor Play Equipment Specifications**

The outdoor play area should provide learners with a wide variety of learning and developmental experiences in a safe, pleasant, and well-supervised environment.

While general considerations are provided below, socio-cultural and bio geographical considerations specific to the community (in indigenous peoples (IP) communities, for example) where the school is shall be included in determining the location, size and design of the play space, including the types of play equipment and other related apparatus. Pointers regarding safety and security shall be applied in all cases. Other cultural considerations with regards safety and security shall be discussed with the community and shall be included in these concerns.

Some considerations:

1) Site location

Play area should be adjacent to the kindergarten classroom, or easily accessible to them. At least part of the play area should be under a shade (Shaded by trees, or canopy, etc.).

2) Safety and security

Area should be secure and safe enough to ensure learners are not able to leave the area without knowledge of supervising adults.

3) Playground apparatus

The playground equipment should be designed for the age of the learners who will use it.

For all apparatus:

- a) All pins, nuts, bolts, or screws should be recessed or flush to prevent a learner from getting caught on a protruding object.
- b) All metal equipment should be free from rust or chipping paint.
- c) If wood or lumber is used, it must be treated to decrease deterioration from weather and insects. They should be checked for splinters, and waxed or oiled for maintenance.
- d) There should be no sharp points, corners, or edges (either wooden or metal) that could cut or puncture a child's skin.
- e) Moving pieces of equipment (such as seesaws) should not have accessible moving parts that might pinch or crush a child's finger or body part.
- f) Anchors and structural supports for the equipment are stable and buried below ground level.
- g) All equipments should be regularly inspected and repaired as needed. Inspection should include a search for loose fastenings, or worn and broken parts, lubrication (if needed) of moving parts, and refilling of landing pits.

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- h) There should be sufficient space (a minimum of 12 feet) between play structures. This provides room for children to circulate and prevents the possibility of a child falling off one structure and striking another.
- i) The surface under and around the play equipment should be soft enough to cushion a fall and prevent serious injuries (protective surfacing). Ideal protective surfacing materials include sand, wood chips, pea gravel, or shredded rubber. These loose-fill materials should be at least 6- to 9-inches deep. When the surfacing becomes displaced, it should be raked back or replaced to maintain correct depth.

Below are some general guidelines for specific play equipments:

### 1) Climbing structures

- a) Climbing frames, monkey bars, and other similar structures should be positioned on protective surfacing. They should not be placed over concrete, stone, tile, or similar hard surfaces.
- b) The safety fall zone (the area under and around the structures where a child might fall) should measure at least 6 feet in all directions from the edge of the climbing equipments.
- c) Apparatus should have a maximum height of 6 feet (72”).
- d) Gaps between steps or rungs on ladders should be 100mm or less. Gaps larger than 89 mm (3.5”) and less than 230 mm (9”) present risk of head entrapment.

### 2) Slides

- a) Slides are 6 feet in height or less.
- b) The exit region of the slides (flat, horizontal surface at the bottom of the slide for slowing down) should be at least 11” long.
- c) The height of the exit section of a slide over four feet in height shall be no less than 9” above the ground surface.
- d) The fall zone around slide should be at least 6 feet on all sides.
- e) The incline of a slide surface should not exceed 30 degrees.
- f) Slide rims are at least 2 ½ inches high.
- g) Slides have an enclosed platform at the top for children to rest and get into position for sliding.
- h) Slide ladders have hand rails on both sides. Steps or rungs must be at least 15” wide, and grooved or covered with a slip resistant finish.
- i) Steps and rungs are 7” to 11” apart to accommodate children’s leg and arm reach.
- j) Rungs or hand holds should not exceed 1 5/8” in diameter. This is a dimension that an average youngster can grip easily and securely.
- k) Wooden/metal slides are positioned in shaded areas to prevent burns.

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### 3) Seesaws

- a) The fulcrum should not present a crush hazard.
- b) Partial car tires, or some other shock-absorbing material, should be embedded in the ground underneath the seats, or secured on the underside of the seats. This will help prevent limbs from being crushed between the seat and the ground, as well as cushion the impact.
- c) The maximum attainable angle between a line connecting the seats and the horizontal is 25 degrees.
- d) Handholds should be provided at each seating position for gripping with both hands and should not turn when grasped.
- e) Handholds should not protrude beyond the sides of the seat.

### 4) Swings

- a) Single-axis swings (to-fro swing) should have a pivot point of 8 feet or less.
- b) Swing structures should be located away from other equipment or activities to prevent young children from running into moving swings.
- c) It is recommended that no more than two single-axis swings be hung in each bay of the supporting structure.
- d) Swing seats should be designed to accommodate no more than one user at a time.
- e) Lightweight rubber or plastic swing seats are recommended to help reduce the severity of impact injuries.
- f) The seat of swings should rest at least 16" from the ground.
- g) The fall zone for single-axis swings is 2 times the distance from the pivot point to the ground, both in front and back of swings.

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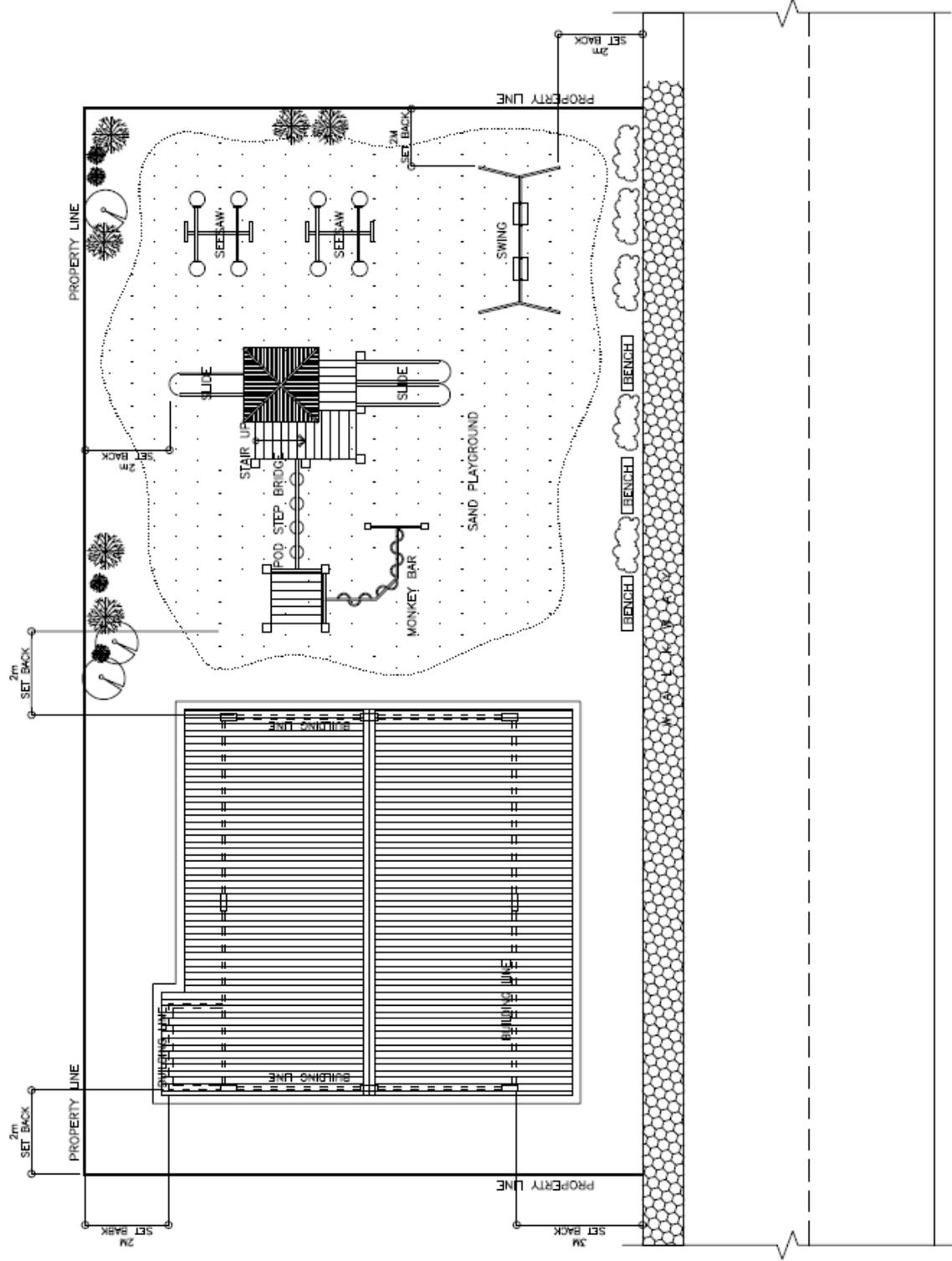
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# Appendix 5: Sample Outdoor Play Area Layout



SITE DEVELOPMENT PLAN  
SCALE \_\_\_\_\_  
M/S