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**Department of Education**

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**2020 RESEARCH O'CLOCK**

To: Undersecretaries  
Assistant Secretaries  
Bureau and Service Directors  
Minister, Basic, Higher, and Technical Education, BARMM  
Regional Directors  
Schools Division Superintendents  
Public and Private Elementary and Secondary School Heads  
All Others Concerned

1. Having been mandated by Republic Act No. 9155 otherwise known as the Governance of Basic Education Act of 2001, the Department of Education (DepEd) continuously conducts education research studies that serve as bases for necessary reforms and development.
2. DepEd has recently launched *Sulong Edukalidad*, a national campaign that aims to consolidate the efforts of all stakeholders to raise the quality of basic education in the country.
3. Moreover, DepEd continuously improves its programs and policies by advocating for strengthened evidence-based decision-making. In this connection, DepEd continues its conduct of **Research O'clock** from February to November 2020 at the *Bulwagan ng Karunungan*, DepEd Complex, Meralco Avenue, Pasig City. The specific schedules, themes, and indicative topics are provided in the enclosure.
4. This forum primarily seeks to promote the use of research results and evidence in decision-making, program designing and implementation, plan formulation, and adjustment. Specifically, it aims to
  - a. provide a venue for DepEd offices to learn from research studies from different sectors and organizations; and
  - b. promote open discussions and continuous learning experiences for education leaders, researchers, policy makers, and educators in the basic education sector.
5. Selected research studies from the Basic Education Research Fund (BERF) facility and studies conducted by partner organizations (e.g., research institutions and academe) will be presented. After each research presentation, a policy dialogue will be conducted to gather more insights about addressing education issues and concerns that emerge from the laid presentation.
6. All DepEd personnel, research practitioners, research enthusiasts, policy makers, program managers, and individuals with interest in specific education issues or topics covered by Research O'clock 2020 are invited to attend the forum. Details are provided in the Enclosure.

7. For more information, please contact the **Planning Service-Policy Research and Development Division**, 2nd Floor, Teodora Alonzo Building, Department of Education Central Office, DepEd Complex, Meralco Avenue, Pasig City through email at ps.prd@deped.gov.ph or telephone no. (02) 8635-3976.

8. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.



**LEONOR MAGTOLIS BRIONES**  
Secretary

Encl.:

As stated

References:

DepEd Memorandum No. 18, s. 2019

DepEd Order: (Nos. 9, s. 2005; 13, s. 2015; 39, s. 2016; and 16, s. 2017)

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under the following subjects:

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RESEARCH OR STUDIES  
PROGRAMS

### Details of the Research O'clock 2020

The table below contains the schedule, themes, and indicative topics for the succeeding Research O'clock sessions:

a. **Schedule, themes, and topics**

Date	Themes	Topics
March 2, 2020	Addressing the Challenges on the Quality of Basic Education	<b>AM:</b> Understanding the PISA Report and Pivot from Access to Quality <b>PM:</b> Action Research Studies on Reading
April 27, 2020	Innovations for Quality Teaching and Learning Delivery	<b>AM:</b> Trends and Issues on Teaching and Learning <b>PM:</b> Action Research Studies on K-12 Learning Areas
June 29, 2020	Quality Learning Environment for the Learners' Wellbeing	<b>AM:</b> Longitudinal studies on learner development <b>PM:</b> Conditions for learner wellbeing
August 24, 2020	Quality Teachers for Better Learning Outcomes	<b>AM:</b> Policy research on teacher quality <b>PM:</b> Pre-Service Teacher Education and In-Service Teacher Training
October 12, 2020	Quality Senior High School Delivery for Lifelong Learning	<b>AM:</b> Status of Senior High School Implementation <b>PM:</b> Senior High School Delivery Components
November 23, 2020	Quality Flexible Learning Options	<b>AM:</b> Alternative Learning System <b>PM:</b> Flexible Learning Opportunities

b. **Time**

- i. Morning session (8:30 – 11:30 AM)
- ii. Afternoon session (1:30 – 4:30 PM)

c. **Venue**

Bulwagan ng Karunungan, DepEd Complex, Meralco Avenue, Pasig City

d. **Registration**

Due to limited seats, interested attendees are required to preregister at <http://bit.ly/ResearchOclock> **one-week prior** the scheduled forum.

e. **Research Presentation**

Presenters from DepEd, other government agencies, development partners, and the academe will be invited. Selected research studies related to the theme will be presented per session/topic.

f. **Participation**

DepEd personnel's attendance in the forum must be approved by their immediate supervisor and participation of teaching personnel shall be subject to the no-disruption-of-classes policy stipulated in DO 9, s.

2005: **Instituting Measures to Increase Engaged Time-on-Task and Ensuring Compliance Therewith.** A Certificate of Participation will be given for those who attended the whole day forum.

Transportation and other incidental expenses incurred shall be charged against local funds subject to the usual government accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

- g. **Communications**  
Announcements relative to the forum will be posted in the DepEd's official social media account and through DepEd's Newsletter.