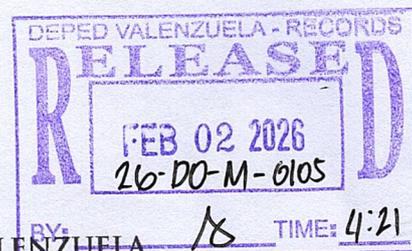


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**Office of the Schools Division  
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**DIVISION MEMORANDUM**  
No. 0097 s. 2026

**ADDENDUM TO THE REGIONAL UNIFIED ADMISSION GUIDELINES FOR  
LEGISLATED AND REGIONAL SCIENCE HIGH SCHOOLS FOR SY 2026-2027**

To: OIC – Assistant Schools Division Superintendent  
Chief Education Supervisors - CID and SGOD  
Education Program Supervisors and Public Schools District Supervisors  
Division Unit Heads  
All Others Concerned

1. For the information and guidance of all concerned, attached is Regional Memorandum No. 151, s. 2026 dated January 22, 2026 from Dr. Jocelyn DR Andaya, Regional Director, National Capital Region, Concurrent Officer-in-Charge Office of the Assistant Secretary for Operations and in reference to the Regional Memorandum No. 045, s. 2026 dated January 19, 2026 re: Regional Unified Admission Guidelines for Legislated and Regional Science High Schools for SY 2026-2027.

2. For further clarification regarding the Regional Unified Admission Guidelines for Legislated and Regional Science High Schools, enclosed in this Memorandum are the following:

Enclosure 1: Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) Manual

Enclosure 2: Updated Calendar of Activities

Enclosure 3: Updated number of students to be admitted in NCR Science High Schools

3. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

**NOEL D. BAGANO**  
Schools Division Superintendent

Encl.: As stated,  
References: Regional Memorandum No. 051, s. 2026  
To be indicated in the Perpetual Index  
under the following subjects:

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SCIENCE HIGH SCHOOLS

LQP/DM- ADDENDUM TO THE REGIONAL UNIFIED ADMISSION GUIDELINES FOR LEGISLATED AND REGIONAL SCIENCE  
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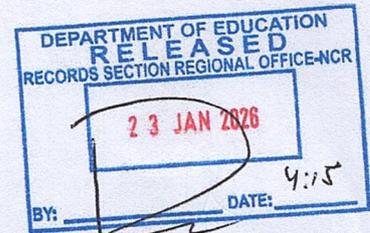


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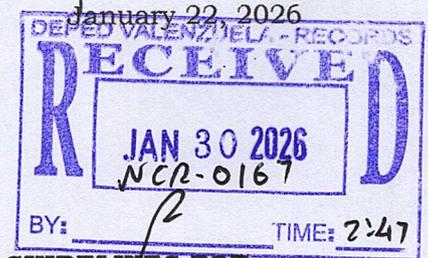
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**REGIONAL MEMORANDUM**

No. 0-5.1-, s. 2026

To: Schools Division Superintendents



**ADDENDUM TO THE REGIONAL UNIFIED ADMISSION GUIDELINES FOR  
LEGISLATED AND REGIONAL SCIENCE HIGH SCHOOLS  
FOR SY 2026-2027 ONWARDS**

1. This is in reference to the Regional Memorandum No. 045, s. 2026 dated January 19, 2026.
2. The following provisions further clarify section IV of the released admission guidelines:
  - 2.1. During the conduct of the Computer-Based Unified Science High School Admissions Test (USHAT), each student-applicant shall indicate up to five (5) preferred science high schools in the Examinee Descriptive Questionnaire (EDQ).
  - 2.2. The test scores of applicants shall be ranked separately for each science high school, alongside all other applicants who listed that school as one of their preferred choices.
  - 2.3. Applicants in Category A who fall within the available slots of a particular school, based on their rank, shall qualify for the interview phase at that school.
  - 2.4. An applicant may qualify for interviews at more than one science high school, depending on their ranking and the availability of slots in the schools they selected.
  - 2.5. Applicants who fail to attend their scheduled interview at a particular school, without a valid and approved reason, shall be considered to have forfeited their interview slot at that school.
  - 2.6. After consolidating the results of the admissions test and interviews, the Regional Office shall release the final list of accepted applicants for each school.
  - 2.7. Applicants included in the final roster must confirm their acceptance and enroll within five (5) working days from the official release of results. Failure to do so will be considered a waiver of the slot, which shall then be offered to the next qualified applicant on the waiting list.



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2.8. Applicants on the waiting list and those in Category B may still be accommodated, depending on the availability of slots.

3. For further clarification regarding the Regional Unified Admission Guidelines for Legislated and Regional Science High Schools, enclosed in this Memorandum are the following:

Enclosure 1: Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) Manual

Enclosure 2: Updated Calendar of Activities

Enclosure 3: Updated number of students to be admitted in NCR Science High Schools

4. For information and immediate dissemination.

**JOCELYN DR ANDAYA**  
Regional Director, NCR  
Concurrent Officer-in-Charge  
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Operations



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**Enclosure 1: Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) Manual**

**Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) Manual on the Unified Science High School Admissions for Legislated and Regional Science High Schools in NCR**

**1. Why are students required to apply only once for admission to NCR science high schools?**

**Answer:**

*A student applies only once because there is now a unified admissions system and a single admissions test (USHAT) for all Regional and Legislated Science High Schools in NCR. During the examination, the student will be asked to indicate their Top Five (5) preferred science high schools in the Examinee Descriptive Questionnaire (EDQ).*

*The student's test score will then be ranked separately for each of the chosen schools, alongside other applicants who selected the same school. Depending on the student's ranking and the availability of slots, the student may qualify for interviews at one or more schools.*

*Therefore, there is no need to submit multiple applications to different schools, since one examination and one application already cover all participating science high schools in NCR.*

**2. Is it required for an applicant to select five (5) science high schools in the application?**

**Answer:**

*No. An applicant is not required to select five (5) science high schools. The applicant may choose only one or up to five (5) science high schools, depending on their preference.*

**3. Why is there a need to include the parent's or legal guardian's Voter Registration Record Number and Precinct Number in the application form?**

**Answer:**

*Some legislated science high schools are governed by local ordinances that require their students to be residents of the city where the school is located. The Voter Registration Record Number and Precinct Number of applicant's parents or legal guardians are used as proof of residency for this purpose.*



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*This requirement applies specifically to the following schools:*

- Valenzuela City School of Mathematics and Science
- Pasig City Science High School
- Muntinlupa Science High School
- City of Mandaluyong Science High School
- Taguig Science High School
- Senator Renato Companero Cayetano Memorial Science and Technology High School
- Makati Science High School
- Quezon City Science High School (residents of NCR)

*For other science high schools without residency requirements, this part of the application form is not applicable.*

**4. What is the coverage and format of the Unified Science High School Admissions Test (USHAT)?**

**Answer:**

*The USHAT will be a computer-based, multiple-choice examination. The test will cover Grade 6 competencies in the following areas:*

- Science
- Mathematics
- Languages (English and Filipino)
- Abstract Reasoning

*More detailed information on test specifications and administration guidelines shall be provided in subsequent issuances from the Regional Office.*

**5. I am a Category B passer. What will happen to my application?**

**Answer:**

*If you are a Category B passer, you will be placed on the waiting list. Depending on the availability of slots, you may be included in the interview, which is the second phase of the admissions process.*



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**Enclosure 2: Updated Timeline of Activities**

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Persons Involved</b>	<b>Updated Dates (in bold)</b>
Submission of Application Forms to the Schools	Student – Applicants Parents of Student Applicants School Admissions Committee	January 12 – February 20, 2026 (except for Quezon City Science High School)
Orientation to the Schools Division Offices and Science High Schools on the Administration of Computer – Based Science High Schools Admissions Test	Division and School Testing Coordinators Division and School ITO Division EPSs/PSDSs to be engaged Regional EPSs and Regional Personnel involved Third Party Provider	February 27, 2026
Posting of List of Examinees vis-à-vis Testing Centers	Regional Focal Person School Admissions Committee	March 2, 2026
Administration of the Computer-Based Unified Science High School Admissions Test (USHAT)	Third Party Provider Regional Focal Persons Division Science and Mathematics Supervisors and TWG Division and School ITO	March 7, 2026
Orientation on the School-Based Interviewers	Third Party Provider Regional Focal Person School Admissions Committee	March 11, 2026



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Release of the List of Students under Categories A and B and Shortlist of Students for Interview through Regional Memorandum	Regional Focal Persons	For Quezon City Science HS: March 10, 2026 For Legislated Science HS; March 13, 2026
Interview Period	School Admissions Committee	March 16-20, 2026
Release of the Final List of Passers for Admission for the Science High Schools for SY 2026 – 2027	Regional Office Science High Schools	April 10, 2026
Deadline of confirmation and enrollment of student applicants in their school of choice	School Admissions Committee Student – Applicant Science High Schools	April 17, 2026



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**ENCLOSURE 3:** Updated Number of Students to be Admitted in the NCR Science High Schools

<b>School</b>	<b>Number of Students to be Admitted</b>
Caloocan City Science High School	140
Caloocan National Science and Technology High School	140
Las Pinas City National Science High School	140
Malabon City National Science and Mathematics High School	105
City of Mandaluyong Science High School	200
Manila Science HS	245
Marikina Science High School	175
Muntinlupa Science High School	280
Navotas National Science HS	110
Paranaque Science High School	140
Pasay City National Science High School	140
Pasig City Science High School	245
Quezon City Science High School	315
San Juan City Science High School	105
Makati Science High School	175
Taguig Science HS	210
Sen Renato Companero Cayetano Memorial Science & Technology HS	175
Valenzuela City School of Mathematics and Science	175