

Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION

REGIONAL MEMORANDUM
ORD-2024-1211

TO : **SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS
ALS IMPLEMENTORS
ALL OTHERS CONCERNED**

FROM : *Chyf*
JOCELYN DR ANDAYA
Director IV

SUBJECT : **CLARIFICATION ON CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF DEPED
MEMORANDUM NO. 70, S. 2023 TITLED GUIDELINES
ON THE PROVISION OF TRANSPORTATION AND
TEACHING AID ALLOWANCES TO ALS TEACHERS AND
DEPED-ENGAGED COMMUNITY ALS IMPLEMENTORS
STARTING FISCAL YEAR 2022 AND YEARS
THEREAFTER**

DATE : **OCTOBER 28, 2024**

1. Attached is **MEMORANDUM DM-CT-2024-394** dated September 9, 2024, from the Office of the Undersecretary for Curriculum and Teaching with the above-captioned subject, which is self-explanatory.

2. Relative to this memo, please be guided by the following:

- DepEd Order No. 3, s. 2024 mandates that “no voluntary and mandatory tasks or activities shall be assigned to teachers from June 1 to 30, 2024,” ALS Teachers will not incur transportation expenses associated with reaching their learners. Therefore, the basis for paying the transportation allowance will not be fulfilled, the transportation allowance cannot be paid.
- The amount to be paid monthly for the transportation allowance should be either P3,200.00 or the amount specified in the SOEs, whichever is lower as provided in the definition of Terms of DM No. 70, s. 2023.

3. For your information and strict compliance.



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OFFICE OF THE UNDERSECRETARY FOR CURRICULUM AND TEACHING

MEMORANDUM
DM-CT-2024- 349

TO : **ALL REGIONAL DIRECTORS**

FROM : 
GINA O. GONONG *JO*
Undersecretary for Curriculum and Teaching *by form or*

SUBJECT : **CLARIFICATION ON CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF DEPED MEMORANDUM NO. 70, s. 2023 TITLED GUIDELINES ON THE PROVISION OF TRANSPORTATION AND TEACHING AID ALLOWANCES TO ALTERNATIVE LEARNING SYSTEM TEACHERS AND DEPED-ENGAGED COMMUNITY ALS IMPLEMENTORS STARTING FISCAL YEAR 2022 AND YEARS THEREAFTER**

DATE : September 9, 2024

To comply with Republic Act (RA) No. 11510 or the Alternative Learning System (ALS) Act, the DepEd issued DepEd Memorandum (DM) No. 70, s. 2023 titled Guidelines on the Provision of Transportation and Teaching Aid Allowances to Alternative Learning System Teachers and DepEd-engaged Community ALS Implementors Starting Fiscal Year 2022 and Years Thereafter.

To ensure that the provisions of DM No. 70, s. 2023 are still aligned with the new DepEd issuances, and to address the issues and concerns raised during the online orientation on the salient features of DM No. 70, s. 2023, the Bureau of Alternative Education (BAE) sought guidance from the Office of the Undersecretary for Finance.

In line with this, please be guided by the following:

a. **Payment of Transportation Allowance for the month of June 2024-**

Since the allowance is intended to cover the transportation expenses incurred by Alternative Learning System (ALS) Teachers to reach learners, payments are based on the expenses as evidenced by the submission of the Statement of Expenses (SOE).

Given that DepEd Order No. 3, s. 2024 titled Amendment to DepEd Order No. 022, s. 2023 (Implementing Guidelines on the School Calendar and Activities for the School Year 2023-2024) mandates that “no voluntary or mandatory tasks or activities shall be assigned to teachers from June 1 to 30, 2024,” ALS Teachers will not incur transportation expenses associated with reaching their

learners. **Consequently, the basis for paying the transportation allowance will not be fulfilled, and the transportation allowance cannot be paid.**

b. **Determining the amount of Transportation Allowance to be paid monthly**

As provided in the Definition of Terms of DM No. 70, s, 2023, the purpose of Transportation Allowance is to defray actual transportation expenses incurred by ALS Teachers. This memorandum requires ALS Teachers to submit SOEs as proof of these costs when claiming the allowance. In contrast, the teaching aid allowance does not require proof of expenses. This indicates that the policy is specially designed to reimburse actual transportation expenses, or at least a portion thereof, but not exceeding P3,200.00. Therefore, **the amount to be paid monthly should be either P3,200.00 or the amount specified in the SOEs, whichever is lower.**

Additionally, all ALS Teachers shall submit monthly SOE.

Should there be queries and/or clarifications, please contact **Mr. Jonathan B. Caracas** of the Policy and Quality Assurance Division (PQAD) via email at jonathan.caracas@deped.gov.ph.