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To: Schools Division Superintendents  
School Heads of Private JHSs  
All Others Concerned

For your information and appropriate action.

**BENJAMIN D. PARAGAS PhD, CESO III**  
Director IV/Regional Director

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| <b>MEMORANDUM</b>                                                        |                                                 | Date: <u>10/12/26</u>                                     | Released (Records): <u>Yes</u>      |
| To:                                                                      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PSDS/DICS   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Elem/Sec School Heads |                                     |
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| <b>ORLANDO E. MANUEL PhD., CESO V</b><br>Schools Division Superintendent |                                                 |                                                           |                                     |
| By:                                                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> ASDS                   | <input type="checkbox"/> CID Chief                        | <input type="checkbox"/> SGOD Chief |
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JHS-Certification Seminar-Workshop for Non-EDSC (JHS)  
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August 17, 2026

Dear School Administrators,

Greetings from the Private Education Assistance Committee (PEAC)!

As part of its mandate to co-implement the Department of Education's (DepEd) Government Assistance to Students and Teachers in Private Education (GASTPE) Program, the PEAC promotes and helps ensure quality in private schools through the PEAC Certification process.

Through PEAC Certification, private junior high schools undergo an external quality assurance process that enables them to assess their level of compliance with minimum K to 12 standards and DepEd requirements. The Certification results serve as a basis for determining a school's eligibility to participate in the Educational Service Contracting (ESC) Program. Consistent with current GASTPE guidelines, ESC grantees who complete junior high school are automatically eligible to receive the Senior High School Voucher Program subsidy.

In line with this commitment, we are pleased to invite two (2) of your school administrators to participate in the **PEAC Certification Seminar-Workshop for Non-ESC Junior High Schools**, to be held on **October 15-16, 2026, at Hotel Benilde Maison De La Salle**. Should your school wish to register more than two (2) participants, please send us a request as the additional registrants will be placed on a waitlist and may be accommodated subject to availability. This arrangement is intended to provide more schools with the opportunity to participate in this capacity-building activity.

For your guidance, the activity and registration details are provided below. A copy of the program is also attached for your reference.

#### Activity Information

|               |                                                                                                                              |
|---------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Participants: | School Owners, Principals, and Key Personnel involved in School Improvement Efforts from non-ESC private junior high schools |
| Dates:        | October 15-16, 2026                                                                                                          |
| Venue:        | Hotel Benilde Maison De La Salle, Malate, Manila                                                                             |
| Fee:          | Php 7,000 per participant ( <i>inclusive of ID lace, AM Snacks, Lunch, and PM Snacks for 2 days</i> )                        |

**Payment Information:**

|                 |                                |
|-----------------|--------------------------------|
| Bank:           | Bank of the Philippine Islands |
| Account Name:   | PEAC Externally Funded Project |
| Account Number: | 1431-0128-51                   |

After the payment of the registration fee, proof of payment must be uploaded during registration **to complete the registration process and secure your slot**. For your reference, here is the link to the registration: <https://forms.gle/DdPdCWErVqTYbaua8>.

Participants who wish to stay at Hotel Benilde may use the **Booking Code: PEAC-2026** to avail of the discounted rate, provided that rooms are available for their preferred dates.

For questions and concerns, you may send an email to [certification@peac.org.ph](mailto:certification@peac.org.ph).

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

  
**RHODORA ANGELA FERNANDEZ FERRER, PhD**  
Executive Director

**PEAC Certification Seminar Workshop for Non-ESC Junior High Schools**  
**Hotel Benilde Maison De La Salle, Malate, Manila**  
**October 15-16, 2026**

## RATIONALE

Effective school improvement is high on the agenda of Philippine education policies. Integral to its mandate to uplift Philippine private education and in pursuit of its strategic direction of enabling and empowering schools, the Private Education Assistance Committee (PEAC) endeavors to strengthen and upgrade the continuous improvement efforts of schools. More specifically, PEAC has defined much-needed assistance interventions towards improvement of school quality such as professional development for administrators and teachers in order to meet the changing demands and challenges of the current educational system.

Optimizing the use of the 2024 Junior High School Certification Instrument (JHS CAI), PEAC is conducting a two-day training-workshop on internal quality assurance towards continuing school improvement for school administrators of Junior High Schools (JHS) who are not participating in the ESC program managed by PEAC. This training-workshop aims to first, orient school administrators on the importance and process of quality assurance as a vital mechanism for attaining school excellence. Second, the program introduces to the participants the 2024 JHS CAI, as a tool for quality assurance and a vantage point for school improvement planning.

## OBJECTIVES

By the end of the training, the participants are expected to be able to do the following:

1. Explain the importance of conducting Internal Quality Assurance in the delivery of the JHS program
2. Map the delivery of the JHS (Grades 7-10) program with the Standards of Compliance in the JHS CAI
3. Unpack and discuss Standards of Compliance in the JHS CAI Core and Support Areas in terms of their Look-Fors and Evidences of Compliance
4. Conduct the process of self-assessment for Quality Assurance using the JHS CAI



5. Identify areas of school improvement planning and formulate corresponding sample SSIP
6. Assess the adequacy and alignment of their sample SSIP using the standards in the proposed JHS CAI and rubric evaluation form



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**Hotel Benilde Maison De La Salle, Malate, Manila**  
**October 15-16, 2026**

**PROGRAM**

**Day 1 | 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM**

| TIME     | ACTIVITY                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | SPEAKER                                     |
|----------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| 7:00 AM  | Registration                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                             |
| 8:30 AM  | PEAC AVP                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                             |
|          | National Anthem & Opening Prayer                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Nerissa Camille U. Isleta, LPT              |
|          | House Rules & Reminders                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Bronzon Patrick F. Del Rosario, LPT, M. Ed. |
| 8:45 AM  | Session 1: About the PEAC<br>1. What is PEAC?<br>2. What are current updates on private Philippine education?<br>3. What are PEAC initiatives in the pursuit of quality in Philippine private schools?                                         | Rhodora Angela Fernandez Ferrer, LPT, PhD   |
| 9:15 AM  | Session 2: PEAC Certification and Quality Assurance<br>1. What is Quality Assurance?<br>2. What is PEAC Certification?<br>3. Certification as a Quality Assurance Mechanism<br>4. PEAC Certification as an ESC Program Eligibility Requirement | Rhodora Angela Fernandez Ferrer, LPT, PhD   |
| 10:00 AM | BREAK                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                             |
| 10:30 AM | Session 3: Overview of the 2024 JHS Certification Assessment Instrument (CAI)<br>1. Development Process<br>2. Framework<br>3. Areas<br>4. Standards<br>5. Rating Scale<br>6. Decision Rules                                                    | Miguel Q. Rapatan, EdD                      |

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| 11:15 AM | Session 4a: JHS CAI Core Areas: Sample Self-Assessment                                                      | Miguel Q. Rapatan, EdD                |
| 12:00 NN | LUNCH BREAK                                                                                                 |                                       |
| 1:00 PM  | Session 4b: JHS CAI Core Areas: Standards-based School Improvement Planning                                 | Ma. Helena Desiree M. Terre, LPT, PhD |
| 3:15 PM  | BREAK                                                                                                       |                                       |
| 3:30 PM  | Session 5: Self-Assessment System of JHS CAI: From Look-Fors to Standards-Based School Improvement Planning | Ma. Helena Desiree M. Terre, LPT, PhD |
| 4:30 PM  | Closing Prayer                                                                                              | Alexis Joseph P. Quejas               |

**Day 2 | 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM**

**Hotel Benilde Maison De La Salle, Malate, Manila**

| TIME     | ACTIVITY                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | SPEAKER                                     |
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| 8:30 AM  | Session 6: JHS CAI Support Areas: Sample Self-Assessment and Standards-based School Improvement Planning                                                                                                                                     | Ma. Helena Desiree M. Terre, LPT, PhD       |
| 11:00 AM | Session 7: Self-Assessment and SSIP-Writing Exercises                                                                                                                                                                                        | Ma. Helena Desiree M. Terre, LPT, PhD       |
| 12:00 NN | Lunch Break                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                             |
| 1:00 PM  | Session 8: Presentation and Critiquing of SSIP Closing/Synthesis                                                                                                                                                                             | Ma. Helena Desiree M. Terre, LPT, PhD       |
| 2:30 PM  | Session 9: The Mechanics of Certification<br>1. What are the Tenets and Principles of PEAC Certification?<br>2. What policies and guidelines govern Certification?<br>3. Who are the PEAC Certifiers?<br>4. What is PEAC Certification Unit? | Bronzon Patrick F. Del Rosario, LPT, M. Ed. |
| 3:15 PM  | Session 10: Information Security in PEAC Certification                                                                                                                                                                                       | Eimann P. Evarola                           |
| 4:00 PM  | Evaluation                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                             |
|          | Closing Prayer                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Alexis Joseph P. Quejas                     |

Participants are requested to have the following items with them during the training:

1. JHS Program Learning Outcomes
2. School Vision and Mission
3. School Annual Budget
4. School Improvement Plan, if available
5. Monitoring and Evaluation Plan, if available



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