



**DepEd Data as of 24 April 2020, 1800 PST**

Confirmed Cases: 34  
 Deaths: 3  
 Recovered: 12  
 Active: 19  
 Probable Cases: 15  
 Suspect Cases: 45

**Actions Taken by DepEd Central Office**

- Continuous health monitoring of learners and personnel, and monitoring of school sites
- Coordination with the IATF and ExeCom Meetings for the Management of COVID-19
- Measures for continuous delivery of services implemented
- Alternative Delivery Mode of education provided through DepEd Commons and Open Educational Resources: <http://commons.deped.gov.ph>.
- Contact tracing of NFOT/NSPC participants through Division Offices
- #BayanihanPinoy in social media pages launched as support to frontliners
- Contingency measures for the next school year being planned and prepared
- Fostering Wellness, Solidarity, and Service Amidst COVID-19 posted to provide helpful links to care for self and others during the quarantine period\*
- DepEd Commons expands features for ALS Learners and Private Schools
- Postponement of conduct of all end-of-school-year rites nationwide; other mechanisms for discussion
- Published FAQs on RATA, SHA, and Hazard Pay
- Posted survey for the opening of classes
- Conducted webinars for COVID-19 response and learning continuity
- Partnership with telecommunications companies for free access to DepEd Commons
- Warns against circulating fake documents in the web

**Reported Activities of Regional and Schools Division Offices**

- Continuous health monitoring of learners and personnel in coordination with the LGUs
- Disinfection of schools and offices
- Distribution of hygiene kits and vitamins
- Intensified information campaign vs COVID-19
- Distribution of PPEs and foodpacks to frontliners
- Fundraising activities organized
- Volunteer health personnel, teaching and non-teaching staff serve as frontliners in some areas
- Initiatives for mental health awareness and increasing solidarity implemented
- Adopt a Family programs encouraged by some ROs and SDOs
- ALS Livelihood Sessions conducted through online platforms

**Latest Issuances and Advisories<sup>1</sup>**

<b>Issuance<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Highlights</b>
<b>DO No 5 s. 2020:</b> Delegation of Authority for Negotiated Procurement under RA No. 11469 or the Bayanihan to Heal as one Act <i>(April 21, 2020)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ To ensure goods and services are procured in the most efficient and expeditious manner, the authority and responsibility of the Secretary is delegated to various officials</li> </ul>
<b>OJA Memorandum 00-0420-0071:</b> Free Access of DepEd Commons to Smart Users	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ DepEd Commons can be accessed free of charge, even without through devices without load credits, until 31 May 2020</li> </ul>
<b>DO No 3 s. 2020:</b> Internal Guidelines on the Implementation of Section 4(aa) of Republic Act No. 11469 pertaining to the Grant of Extension or Grace Period on Payment of Loans Under the Department's Automatic Payroll Deduction System Program <i>(April 17, 2020)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The guidelines directs all lenders to grant a 30- day grace period or extension of period for payment of all loans, falling due within the ECQ period, without imposing interest on interest or any additional charges and fees.</li> </ul>
<b>OM OSEC-2020-006:</b> Reminder to Refrain from using ATM Payroll cards as Collateral for Loans or Engaging in the ATM Sangla Scheme <i>(April 18, 2020)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Surrendering ATM Cards as collateral for loans is prohibited by the DepEd Terms and Conditions for Accreditation under the APDS</li> <li>▪ ATM card pawning has been noted by the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) as a dangerous scheme, for it exposes borrowers to identity theft...Also...this practice unduly promotes indebtedness.</li> </ul>
<b>Advisory</b> To All Private Lending Institutions (PLIs) under the Department's Automatic Payroll Deduction System (APDS) Program <i>(April 20, 2020)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ List of PLIs with returned confirmation on the Proposed Relief for Loans to DepEd Borrowers</li> </ul>
<b>Official Statement:</b> On the Opening of Classes SY 2020-2021 <i>(April 20, 2020)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ DepEd has been conducting consultations with its Executive Committee, Management Committee, civil society, business sector and education experts. Parents and learners also expressed their views...</li> </ul>
<b>Press Release:</b> DepEd taps telco partners for free access to DepEd Commons <i>(April 20, 2020)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Learners and teachers can now access the online learning platform DepEd Commons without incurring data charges on their Globe or TM-powered smartphones as the Department of Education ties up with the local telecommunication company in ensuring educational continuity amidst the COVID-19 situation.</li> </ul>
<b>OJA Memorandum 00-0420-0029:</b> Guidelines on the Use of Desktop Computers, Laptops, Tablet PCs and Smartphones at Home During the COVID-19 Pandemic <i>(April 08, 2020)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Authorizing school heads to release desktop computers, laptops, tablet PCs, and smartphones to teachers for use in the conduct of online trainings and online classes during the COVID-19 pandemic subject to guidelines</li> </ul>
<b>OJA Memorandum 00-0420-0042:</b> Recommending the use of Microsoft Teams, Workplace by Facebook, and Google Meet in Video Conferencing <i>(April 17, 2020)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The DepEd has existing arrangements with Microsoft Teams, Workplace by Facebook, and Google Meet which ensures that information in video conferences are secured and confidential</li> </ul>

<sup>1</sup>All COVID-19 related issuances, reports and advisories, including collaterals, can be accessed thru <https://www.deped.gov.ph/covid-19> and/or official DepEd social media pages.



**Table 1. Reported Cases per Region (Partial)**

	Region	Confirmed Case (Cumulative)		Probable		Suspect		Close Contact/s of Confirmed Case		Total
		Learner	Personnel	Learner	Personnel	Learner	Personnel	Learner	Personnel	
1	CAR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	NCR	2	10	0	7	8	2	0	13	42
3	Region I	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2
4	Region II	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
5	Region III	2	2	0	2	3	8	6	3	26
6	Region IV-A	3	2	0	2	0	12	1	1	21
7	Region IV-B	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	2
8	Region V	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
9	Region VI	0	1	4	0	0	2	0	0	7
10	Region VII	2	2	0	0	3	1	1	10	19
11	Region VIII	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
12	Region IX	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
13	Region X	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
14	Region XI	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	7
15	Region XII	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	4
16	CARAGA	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
17	BARMM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	<b>Total</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>137</b>
	<b>Total Confirmed</b>	<b>34</b>								
	<b>Total Probable</b>			<b>15</b>						
	<b>Total Suspect</b>					<b>45</b>				
	<b>Total Close Contact</b>							<b>43</b>		

**Table 2. Status of Confirmed Cases per Region**

	Region	Active	Recovered	Deaths	Total
1	CAR	0	0	0	0
2	NCR	7	5	0	12
3	Region I	0	0	1	1
4	Region II	0	1	0	1
5	Region III	1	3	0	4
6	Region IV-A	4	0	1	5
7	Region IV-B	0	1	0	1
8	Region V	1	1	0	2
9	Region VI	0	0	1	1
10	Region VII	4	0	0	4
11	Region VIII	0	0	0	0
12	Region IX	1	1	0	2
13	Region X	0	0	0	0
14	Region XI	0	0	0	0
15	Region XII	0	0	0	0
16	CARAGA	1	0	0	1
17	BARMM	0	0	0	0
	<b>Total</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>34</b>

**Notes:**

1. Data based on DepEd Regional and Division Reports per DTFC-19 Memo 35.
2. Deaths reported are COVID-19 Positive.
3. Recovered persons have repeat test with negative results.
4. Table 1 Confirmed Cases column is cumulative; Table 2 reflects status of Confirmed Cases.
5. Probable, Suspect and Close Contacts are non-cumulative.
6. Other cases are with pending official reports.