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GUIDELINES OF THE COACHING FOR RESULTS IN EDUCATION (CoRE) PROGRAM IN SCHOOL YEAR 2026-2027

1. The Private Education Assistance Committee (PEAC) hereby issues the guidelines of the Coaching for Results in Education (CoRE), for school year 2026-2027. CoRE is a program that supports Education Service Contracting (ESC) participating junior high schools in their preparation for the recertification revisit by providing assistance that covers the engagement of school coaches from the *Kaagapay* Program of the Phoenix Educational Foundation Inc. (PEFI).

2. The PEAC National Secretariat shall send a formal communication to the qualified schools based on the eligibility criteria. Qualified schools that are interested to participate in the program should submit a Letter of Intent with the subject head "CoRE Batch 6 – [Name of Institution]" that is signed by the school head. The Letter of Intent should be addressed to the PEAC Executive Director and should be sent via e-mail to Ariel V. Alfonso (ariel.alfonso@peac.org.ph) of the PEAC National Secretariat Communications and Research Unit.

3. For inquiries, send an email to ariel.alfonso@peac.org.ph or contact 0917-163-1100.

4. These guidelines are for immediate dissemination.

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Coaching for Results in Education (CoRE)
Guidelines for School Year 2026-2027

Introduction
The Private Education Assistance Committee (PEAC) supports the improvement of private schools in the country, specifically the delivery of quality education that contributes to improving learning outcomes.

The PEAC has developed quality assurance mechanisms starting with its Certification Program for junior high school providers, which is part of its co-implementation of the Department of Education's Education Service Contracting (ESC) Program. The Certification Program ensures that junior high schools contracted by the government comply with the standards and minimum requirements mandated by DepEd.

The Certification Assessment Instrument CAI has been updated in 2018 to align with the K to 12 standards and in 2024 to articulate new items, particularly covering learning continuity and the other modes of delivery. Schools are given from one to three school years, depending on the rating, to pass the recertification revisit to ensure quality delivery of the mandated junior high school program.

Description
Coaching for Results in Education is a program that supports ESC schools in their preparation for the recertification visit through a partnership with the Phoenix Educational Foundation Inc. (PEFI) which implements the *Kaagapay* Program.

The *Kaagapay* Program assigns school coaches who are expert practitioners and leaders in education. It specifically assists the schools in the following: pursuance of data-based school improvement that impacts students' learning; on- track implementation of recommendations and the School Improvement Plan (SIP); results- based management in monitoring outcomes in key result areas; and cost-effective management of human and material resources.

Eligibility Criteria
- ESC participating junior high schools that received the following recertification ratings in school year 2025-2026:
  - School Category A: an overall rating of 2
  - School Category B: an overall rating of 1 but with a rating of 2 and above in at least 2 Core Areas; and
- Schools qualified and accepted in the *Kaagapay* Program.

Selection of the School Grantees
The PEAC NS will send a formal communication to eligible ESC participating junior high schools on the guidelines of the CoRE Program and the Terms and Conditions of the *Kaagapay* Program.

Documentary Requirements
Eligible schools that are interested to participate in the CoRE Program must submit the following:

a. Letter of Intent signed by the school head and addressed to the PEAC Executive Director
b. Attestation signed by the school head that the school has been accepted in the *Kaagapay* Program.

Both documents should be sent through email with the subject "CoRE Batch 6 – [Name of Institution]" to Ariel V. Alfonso (ariel.alfonso@peac.org.ph) of the PEAC National Secretariat Communications and Research Unit. The PEAC NS will accept school's Letter of Intent and Attestation until August 10, 2026.

The PEAC NS may request other documents from the school. After the vetting and selection of grantee schools, PEAC will send a formal communication to the selected schools to confirm their participation in the CoRE Program.

Grant Coverage
The PEAC will cover the financial assistance of Php50,000 for one school year in the CoRE Program wherein the school grantee accepts coaching from experts from the *Kaagapay* Program.

Conditions of the Grant
For one or two school years, depending on the school's recertification rating in 2025-2026, the school grantee shall voluntarily and fully commit itself to school improvement by receiving coaching from the *Kaagapay* Program.

School grantee that failed to sustain their collaboration with the *Kaagapay* Program may be terminated from the program upon the endorsement of both PEAC and PEFI, and shall pay the corresponding damages accrued based on the number of consultation sessions.

Indicative Timeline for Batch 5 Participation

School Category A (2 years)

SY 2025-2026	certification rating as a basis of eligibility
SY 2026-2027	Year 1 participation in CoRE (PEAC assistance)
SY 2027-2028	Year 2 participation in CoRE (PEFI counterpart)/recertification visit

School Category B (1 year)

SY 2025-2026	certification rating as a basis of eligibility
SY 2026-2027	Year 1 participation in CoRE (PEAC assistance)/recertification visit

Implementation

1. The PEAC NS sends an invitation to participate to eligible ESC schools in the CoRE Program. The PEAC NS accepts the eligible schools' Letters of Intent to participate in CoRE.
2. The interested schools are subject to the vetting of PEAC and PEFI.
3. The PEAC Executive Director approves the list of school grantees.
4. The PEAC NS sends confirmation of participation to approved school grantees for their conforme.
5. The PEAC NS endorses the list of confirmed CoRE schools to PEFI.
6. The CoRE schools attend the CoRE Opening Activity organized by PEAC and PEFI.
7. The PEAC NS provides assistance for one year of participation in CoRE in the amount of Php50,000 per school grantee, which is directly remitted to PEFI.
8. The PEFI assigns *Kaagapay* school coaches to the school grantees and informs the PEAC NS of assigned coaches and plans for the school grantees.
9. The school grantee commits itself to school improvement through engagement with the *Kaagapay* school coaches.
10. The PEAC NS monitors the implementation in CoRE schools vis-a-vis the action plan and the schedule of the recertification visit.
11. The PEFI provides a counterpart of the assistance in the amount of Php50,000 to cover Year 2 participation of CoRE schools under Category A.
12. The PEFI submits an annual report on the school grantees at the end of each school year.

Monitoring and Evaluation

A key indicator in measuring the effectiveness of the intervention is an improvement in the school Recertification rating after the revisit.

The schools shall also accomplish the feedback survey on the program in the last year of participation. Schools are also encouraged to send their feedback during program participation by sending an email to communications@peac.org.ph with subject "CoRE Batch 6 –[Name of Institution]." For verification, the sender should provide name and designation. All feedback received shall be treated with confidentiality.