

June 1, 2023

Dear School Head:

The Private Education Assistance Committee (PEAC) is pleased to announce the conduct of the 2023 Regional Orientation Conferences on the implementation of the JHS Educational Service Contracting (ESC), Teachers' Salary Subsidy (TSS), and SHS Voucher Program in school year 2023-2024.

The PEAC co-implements the JHS Education Service Contracting (ESC), Teachers' Salary Subsidy (TSS), and SHS Voucher Program with the Department of Education (DepEd), the institutional owner of these programs. These programs have legal bases under R.A. No. 8545 or the Expanded Government Assistance to Students and Teachers in Private Education (EGASTPE) Act and R.A. No. 10533 or the Enhanced Basic Education Act of 2013.

All participating schools are expected to comply with the program guidelines issued by DepEd. One of the requirements for participation in the programs is the attendance of participating schools in the orientation conferences.

Attendance in the orientation conferences has been made a pre-requisite to the access to the billing facility of the ESC IMS and SHS VMS managed by the PEAC to ensure that participating schools adhere to the implementation guidelines in the creation and submission of billing documents. As per program guidelines, non-attendance is considered a program violation and the PEAC shall be constrained to give schools that fail to attend the orientation conferences without a valid reason later access to the billing facility or a monitoring finding for repeat offense.

Please find below the details of the 2023 Regional Orientation.

Schedule. Participating schools should attend the schedule assigned to their region as indicated in the attached schedule.

Program. The one-day orientation will cover the SHS Voucher Program in the morning and the JHS ESC and TSS in the afternoon. Attached is the program for reference.

Target Participants. Each participating school is given two slots per session. The expected attendees are detailed in the table below.

Session		School	Expected Attendees
AM	Half-day session on the Implementation of the SHS Voucher and the SHS Voucher Management System (VMS)	SHS VP Schools	School Administrators Program Point Persons IT Point Persons
PM	Half-day session on the Implementation of the ESC and TSS Programs, and the ESC Information Management System (IMS)	ESC Schools Applicant Schools	School Administrators Program Point Persons IT Point Persons

Each school campus or delivery mode is required to send their respective representatives to the orientation. Schools applying to be part of the ESC Program are also encouraged to attend the orientation conferences.

Online Registration. Participating schools should register online at ors.peac.org.ph. Online registration opens on June 19, 2023 for the first schedule (Regions I and III Batch 1) and on June 26, 2023 for the succeeding schedules. There is a registration fee to cover the meals of the participants, as indicated in the table below.

Session	Registration fee
AM session on the SHS Voucher Program	Php1,000/participant (AM snack and lunch)
PM session on the ESC and TSS	Php1,000/participant (PM snack and early dinner)

During registration, the school will be asked to provide the required information: complete name of the school; and the ESC ID and/or DepEd ID of participating school. **Schools should give the correct ESC ID and/or DepEd ID to ensure that school attendance is properly recorded.** For guidance, attached are the registration procedures.

On-site registration and/or payment are strongly discouraged. Participants are considered “walk-in” if they did not register online and/or have not paid the registration fee. The organizers reserve the right to decline walk-in participants in view of the capacity of the venue and other logistical requirements of the orientation conferences.

COVID-19 Health Protocols. To protect everybody’s health, school representatives are required to be fully vaccinated in order to attend the orientation conferences. Wearing of face mask shall be voluntary, but it is recommended if the person is immunocompromised or at high risk for severe illness. Those with symptoms are also strongly discouraged from attending the orientation conferences.

Schools shall be responsible for ensuring that they have designated persons who are available to represent their schools to comply with the required school attendance.

Please contact the Information Technology and Information Management Unit (IT/IMU) for registration concerns and the Communications and Research Unit (CRU) for all other queries. You may also coordinate with your PEAC Regional Secretariat. Our directory is posted on our official website and Facebook page.

Thank you and we look forward to your participation in the orientation conferences for an efficient implementation of the programs this coming school year.

Very truly yours,



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