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TO : **ABDULLAH P. SALIK, JR.**, Director General for Basic Education  
**JOHNNY G. BALAWAG**, Director I, Bureau of Basic Education

ATTENTION: **ALL SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS**  
**ALL PRIVATE SCHOOLS**  
**ALL OTHERS CONCERNED**

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FROM : **MOHAGHER M. IQBAL**  
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BY: Mohagher  
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SUBJECT : **ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE OPENING OF CLASSES FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR 2023-2024 IN ALL SCHOOLS IN BARMM**

DATE : August 7, 2023

1. This is in relation to the recently issued advisory of the Department of Education (DepEd) announcing the opening of classes for School Year (SY) 2023-2024 in all public schools which will start on August 29, 2023.
2. In compliance with Section 16 under Article XI of Republic Act 11054 which states that the Basic Education System of the BARMM shall be a subsystem of the national education system. The Ministry of Basic, Higher and Technical Education, through its Directorate General for Basic Education (DGBE), hereby **adopts August 29, 2023, as the Opening of Classes in all public schools in BARMM.**
3. Meanwhile, private schools can begin classes on any day not later than the last day of August 2023, provided that they submit their respective School Calendar to the DGBE Office on or before August 31, 2023 in print copy. The schools division offices shall receive and submit it to the DGBE. It is informed that a memorandum pertaining to *SY 2023-2024 School Calendar* shall follow pending the issuance of DepEd.
4. Should you have concerns or other inquiries, kindly contact Johnny Balawag, Director I of the DGBE Bureau of Basic Education at email address [jbawag@yahoo.com](mailto:jbawag@yahoo.com).
5. For information and guidance.

