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MEMORANDUM
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For: **Regional Directors**
Schools Division Superintendents
Regional, Division and School IT Officers
Principals, School Heads and Teachers-in-Charge
Teachers
All Others Concerned

Subject: **FREE ACCESS OF DEPED COMMONS**
FOR GLOBE SUBSCRIBERS AND OTHER COLLABORATIVE
ACTIVITIES OF DEPED WITH GLOBE TELECOM, INC.

The Office of the Undersecretary for Administration (OUA), through the Information and Communication Technology Service (ICTS), in partnership with **Globe Telecom, Inc.** will provide **free access of DepEd Commons to all Globe and TM subscribers**, encouraging educators and learners to take advantage of supplementary online instructional materials within the DepEd Commons domain without incurring data charges.

DepEd Commons, as a pilot program of the Department towards learning continuity throughout the course of this pandemic, contains online quizzes and exercises for K-12 learners as well as content for Alternative Learning System (ALS).

Globe Telecom will also provide the following additional services to learners and teachers amid the COVID-19 enhanced community quarantine (ECQ) to support the continuity of public education:

1. **Communications Support** - provision of requested load cards for use of the skeletal workforce during the ECQ (c/o DRRMS and EPS).
2. **Globe E-Library** – a virtual library, integrated into DepEd Commons, for teachers and learners to download free storybooks curated for K-12. It includes local storybooks and international titles turned over by DepEd's Bureau of Learning Resources (BLR), which are storybooks and learning materials authored by public school teachers. The Globe E-Library houses hundreds of eLearning videos in Math, Science, English, Filipino, Music, Arts



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and Values, which originated from a legacy program of DepEd, the Ayala Foundation, Pearson, and Globe called Text2Teach.

3. **E-Skwela Virtual Learning Sessions** – inclusion of DepEd in ongoing virtual sessions to give an extended and amplified voice to the Department to further promote DepEd’s Sulong Edukalidad Campaign. This platform will remain open to DepEd and its bureaus to maximize knowledge-sharing initiatives, internally and externally.
4. **Strategic Resource for DepEd Planning** - commitment to serve as DepEd’s technical resource for strategic discussions and program planning in terms of digital and remote learning for learners. Globe has also lined up various ways it can support the Department, specifically the Bureau of Learning Delivery (BLD), through digitization of learning content, hosting of remote learning sessions, and sponsoring intentional knowledge transfer through various international school partners committed to sharing research and best practices around remote and digital learning.
5. **Setting up of Provincial Learning Hubs** - building of remote learning hubs in various schools done through DepEd Division Offices to accommodate more engagements around digital and remote learning. These schools have received technical support and teacher training from Globe through a program called the Global Filipino Schools Program, which DepEd is part of.

The Department acknowledges this collaboration with the Globe Telecom that helps educators, learners, and other DepEd personnel to stay connected and to work towards the continuity of education in this time of crisis.

For dissemination and appropriate action.



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