



MUNICIPALITY OF ASINGAN

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 009, SERIES OF 2025

AN ORDER MANDATING THE AUTOMATIC SUSPENSION OF CLASSES IN ALL LEVELS, BOTH PUBLIC AND PRIVATE, IN THE ENTIRE MUNICIPALITY OF ASINGAN WHEN TEMPERATURES EXCEED 40 DEGREES CELSIUS (40°C)

WHEREAS, Section 16 of the Local Government Code of 1991 provides that every local government unit shall exercise the powers expressly granted, those necessarily implied therefrom, as well as powers necessary, appropriate, or incidental for its efficient and effective governance, and those which are essential to the promotion of the general welfare;

WHEREAS, Department of Education (DepEd) issues DO No. 037, s. 2022 "Guidelines on the Cancellation of Classes and Work in Schools in the Event of Natural Disasters, Power Outages/Power Interruptions, and other Calamities" to ensure safety and protection of learners and personnel from unnecessary physical dangers and health and safety risks;

WHEREAS, the Department of Science and Technology-Philippine Atmospheric Geophysical Astronomical Service Administration (DOST-PAGASA) reported and forecasted warm and dry season may be experienced by mid-March to April of this year. Furthermore, the agency stated that warmest months would be April and May, with Northern Luzon expected to see maximum temperatures of 39 degrees. Maximum temperatures in Metro Manila were predicted to reach 37 degrees in the same period.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ENGR. CARLOS F. LOPEZ, JR., Mayor of the Municipality of Asingan, Pangasinan, premises considered, by virtue of the powers vested in me and by expressed authority provided for by law to the Local Chief Executive, do hereby order the following:

SECTION 1. AUTOMATIC CLASS SUSPENSION. Classes in all levels, both public and private, within the Municipality of Asingan shall be automatically suspended when the recorded temperature or heat index in the area exceeds 40 degrees Celsius (40°C), as officially forecasted by the DOST-PAGASA.

SECTION 2. IMPLEMENTATION. District Supervisors and school heads are delegated the **Authority, Responsibility, and Accountability (ARA)** to uphold comprehensive educational engagement while ensuring the health and safety of all learners and school personnel. In the event that the heat index exceeds 40 degrees Celsius, school authorities are empowered to consider transitioning to online or modular classes. Provided, that modular distance learning, performance tasks, projects, or makeup classes shall be implemented to ensure that learning competencies and objectives are still met.

Further, private schools are given the discretion to decide and implement their schedule and modality they see fit with utmost consideration of their learner and personnel safety and wellbeing.

This Order shall take effect immediately.

Let copies hereof be furnished to all concerned for information, reference, and guidance.

DONE this 7th day of March 2025 in the Municipality of Asingan, Pangasinan.

ENGR. CARLOS F. LOPEZ, JR.
Municipal Mayor