

Department of Education REGION XI





Office of the Schools Division Superintendent

October 12, 2023

DIVISION MEMORANDUM No. **951**, s. 2023

ADDENDUM TO THE DIVISIOM MEMORANDUM NO. 819, s. 2023 ENSURING SAFETY AND WELL-BEING OF DEPED POPULACE

To

Assistant Schools Division Superintendent

Chief Education Supervisors, CID and SGOD

Public Schools District Supervisors

Public Elementary and Secondary School Administrators

All Others Concerned

- 1. This has reference to Division Memorandum no. 819, s. 2023 dated last September 29, 2023 re: Ensuring Safety and Wellbeing of DepEd Populace.
- 2. Anent hereto, due to possible outbreak of Whooping Cough, Influenza, Leptospirosis, and Dengue (W.I.L.D) it is strongly encouraged that all learners with symptoms of these diseases (fever, chills, cough, headache, sore throat, nasal congestion, vomiting, sore eyes, and muscle pain) will be excuse from their classes and will adept the blended learning modality of education until resolution of all symptoms.
- 3. It is highly recommended that all learners with the above symptoms will seek consult to a medical professional for further assessment and be properly managed.
- 4. It is also advised to welcome all efforts of the Provincial/Municipal Health Office and Rural Health Unit to contain and prevent further the increase of incidence of these diseases given that there will be a coordination with the Health Personnel from DepEd.
- 5. Furthermore, school head and teachers are advised to inform and coordinate to their District/School Nurse for reporting of Notifiable Diseases.



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- 6. Attached herewith are the IECs that should be emphasized to prevent occurrence and spread of diseases and its complications.
- 7. Immediate and wide dissemination of this memorandum is desired.

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September 29, 2023

Division Memorandum

No. 8 19, s. 2023

ENSURING SAFETY AND WELL-BEING OF DEPED POPULACE

To

Assistant Schools Division Superintendent

Chief Education Supervisors, CID and SGOD

Public Schools District Supervisors District Coordinating Principals

Public Elementary and Secondary School Administrators

All Others Concerned

- 1. The Department of Education remains steadfast in its commitment to ensuring the health and well-being of every populace within its Schools. With a clear focus on disease prevention and the development of healthy habits, the Department emphasizes the importance of nutrition, physical activities, good hygiene practices and effective solid waste management. By prioritizing these aspects, DepEd strives to create a safe and conducive environment that promotes the overall health and wellness of its populace.
- 2. While adhering to the mandate of maintaining uninterrupted classes, the Schools Division of Davao de Oro recommends the observance of the following guidelines for schools and offices within its jurisdiction:
 - a. Implement Wellness Program in any form at least once a week (Physical activity/Nutrition/Mindfulness).
 - b. Ensure that there will be Kidney break/Water break every 10:00 am and 3:00 pm.
 - c. Observe proper hand washing every 12:00nn before and after lunch.
 - d. Focus on oral hygiene through daily tooth-brushing drill after lunch.
- 3. In order to prevent the occurrence and spread of diseases, it is strongly advised that schools implement and adhere to precautionary measures. The school must:



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- a. Ensure that their surroundings including the classrooms are clean and well-maintained.
- b. Search and destroy breeding site for mosquitoes.
- c. Drain water potentially contaminated by rodents and other animals.
- d. Serve only hygienic food and potable water at the school vicinity, guided by the prohibitions of DO 13.
- e. Assure that there are no sources of noxious smell in the school. (Bat infestations, rabbit waste, and other excrements).
- f. Implement proper sanitation and solid waste management.
- g. Ensure that the hand washing facilities are functioning.
- 4. Additionally, in the light of the rising prevalence of viral respiratory illness, it is strongly encouraged to utilize face masks and practice proper respiratory etiquette to minimize the spread of diseases. If any symptoms are observed by learners or personnel, it is recommended to seek medical consultation from physician for further assessment and management.
- 5. Immediate and wide dissemination of this memorandum is desired.

By the Authority of the Schools Division Superintendent:

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