



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
REGION VI – WESTERN VISAYAS
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF AKLAN

July 16, 2026

DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. 389, s. 2026

**REITERATION OF POLICIES ON SECURITY MEASURES AND ENSURING
A SAFE AND MOTIVATING LEARNING ENVIRONMENT**

- To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chief Education Supervisors
Education Program Supervisors
Public Schools District Supervisors, Principals In-Charge of the District
Head Teacher In-Charge of the District
Senior/Education Program Specialist
Heads of Public and Private Elementary/Integrated/Secondary Schools
All Others Concerned
1. Attached is the Regional Memorandum No. 652, s. 2026 dated June 29, 2026, titled **Reiteration of Policies on Security Measures and Ensuring a Safe and Motivating Learning Environment**, which is self-explanatory.
 2. Immediate dissemination of and strict compliance with this Memorandum are desired.

FELICIANO C. BUENAFE JR., CESO V
School Division Superintendent

Encl.: As Stated

Reference: Regional Memorandum No. 652, s. 2026

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To: Schools Division Superintendents
All Others Concerned

1. Attached is Memorandum DM-OUGOPS-2026-01-02120, from **Hon. Malcolm S. Garma, Undersecretary for Governance and Operations** and **Hon. Roger B. Masapol, Assistant Secretary, Officer-in-Charge Assistant Secretary for Governance and Operations – Field Operations**, dated June 22, 2026 regarding the **Reiteration of Policies on Security Measures and Ensuring a Safe and Motivating Learning Environment**, which is self-explanatory.
2. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum are desired.


CRISTITO A. ECO, CESO III
Regional Director

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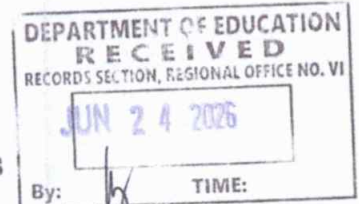
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OFFICE OF THE UNDERSECRETARY FOR GOVERNANCE AND OPERATIONS

MEMORANDUM

DM-OUOPS-2026-01-02120



TO : **ALL REGIONAL DIRECTORS**
ALL SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS
ALL SCHOOL HEADS
ALL OTHERS CONCERNED

FROM : **MALCOLM S. GARMA**
Undersecretary for Governance and Operations



ROGER B. MASAPOL

Assistant Secretary

Officer-in-Charge

Assistant Secretary for Governance and Operations - Field Operations

SUBJECT : **REITERATION OF POLICIES ON SECURITY MEASURES AND ENSURING A SAFE AND MOTIVATING LEARNING ENVIRONMENT**

DATE : JUNE 22, 2026

Pursuant to the Department of Education's (DepEd) commitment to promote and uphold the welfare, safety, security, and protection of all learners and personnel, this Office reiterates the strict implementation of and compliance with existing policies and guidelines concerning the promotion of safe, secure, inclusive, and motivating learning environments in all schools and learning centers.

This directive is anchored on existing Department policies that emphasize the security and protection of learners and school personnel. DepEd Order No. 6, s. 2026, particularly Section VI. A. 5 (Other Security Measures for Safety in Schools), requires schools to **adopt preventive, protective, and responsive measures to ensure the safety, security, and well-being of all members of the school community**. This includes hiring of security personnel, visitor guidelines, bag and vehicle inspections, confiscation of prohibited items, and acquisition of CCTV and other security equipment.

Likewise, Rule VI of the Revised Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of Republic Act No. 10627 or the Anti-Bullying Act, disseminated through DepEd Memorandum No. 90, s. 2025, mandates all schools to **adopt mechanisms addressing bullying and retaliation, including procedures for reporting, investigation, and intervention**.



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The Revised IRR also prescribes the mechanisms for reporting, fact-finding, due process, intervention, and referral of bullying incidents.

Further, anchored on Republic Act No. 11313 or the Safe Spaces Act, OM-OUOPS-2024-05-01115 or DepEd's Guidelines on the Implementation of the Safe Spaces Act in Basic Education, requires schools to **prevent and address gender-based sexual harassment**, to establish grievance and response mechanisms, to ensure safe spaces for learners and personnel, and to codify the roles and responsibilities of both learners and personnel in accordance with the law.

Moreover, DepEd Order No. 18, s. 2015, or the Guidelines and Procedures on the Management of Children-at-Risk (CAR) and Children in Conflict with the Law (CICL), remains in full force and shall be strictly observed by all schools. This policy provides **guidance for the proper identification, intervention, referral, case management, and reintegration of learners** who are at risk or in conflict with the law; ensuring that learner protection principles, restorative approaches, and the best interest of the learner remain paramount in all actions and decisions.

In line with these policies, all field offices and schools are enjoined to **strengthen coordination and collaboration** with Local Government Units, law enforcement agencies, barangay officials, parents, and community stakeholders in support of school safety initiatives and response mechanisms. School heads shall likewise conduct regular risk assessments, review and update school safety protocols, and ensure that all personnel and learners are properly oriented on security procedures, emergency preparedness measures, and learner protection mechanisms.

In the interest of further strengthening school security and ensuring that schools remain zones of peace and security, all field offices and schools are hereby directed to ensure the widest dissemination of these policies to all stakeholders and to **intensify the implementation of school safety and security measures**.

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