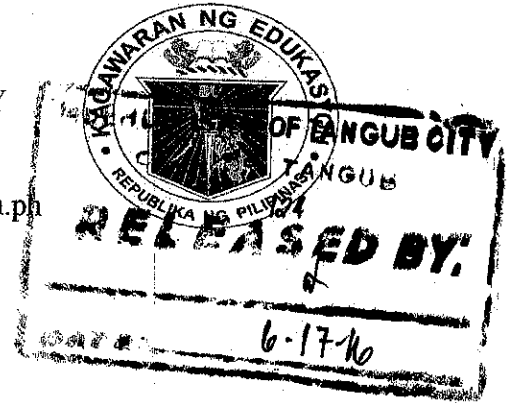


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DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. 119, s. 2016

TO : School Principals, School Heads, TIC's
Public Elementary & Secondary Schools

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Schools Division Superintendent

SUBJECT: STRICT COMPLIANCE WITH DepED ORDER NO.52 s 2008 and
OTHER RELATED POLICIES ON FOOD SAFETY IN SCHOOLS

DATE: June 17, 2016

1. With the start of School Year 2016-2017, reminder is given on the need to strictly comply with the issued Guidelines on Food Safety in School Canteen as stated on DepEd Order No. 52 s 2008 and DepEd Order no.8, s 2007 entitled "Revised Implementing Guidelines on the Operation and Management of Schools Canteens in Public Elementary and Secondary Schools".
2. All school administrators are hereby instructed to oversee the effective management of the schools canteens, whether these be school-managed or teachers' cooperative-managed; and to underscore the responsibility & accountability of the school principal for any untoward incident that may happen in the school due to non-compliance with school health policies and food safety guidelines.
3. It is reminded therefore on the provision of Subpar.4.4-4.6 and 4.9, Paragraph 4 of DepEd Order No 8, s 2007 and Subpar.5.6, Paragraph 5, supra on the guidelines on the Adherence to Food Safety. (refer to Regional Memorandum No. 131 s 2016).
4. To raise the level of consciousness of school children on the importance of food safety, basic messages and concepts it should be integrated in selected subjects in the basic education curriculum.
5. The school heads and teachers should encourage parents, through their PTA meeting to prepare nutritious and safety food for their children to eat during recess and lunch time .
6. The School Principal/TICs with the support of PTA should directly coordinate with the Local Government concerned to pass an Ordinance that will prohibit ambulant vendors to sell within fifty (50) meters from the school boundary.
7. The School Principal/TICs shall be tasked to ensure adherence to standards on quality, handling and serving of food in the school canteen and that food safety standards and hygienic practices are strictly observed and implemented.
8. A narrative report on the monitoring conducted and shall be submitted to SGOD Office c/o Health Section on or before July 20, 2016.
9. Immediate dissemination of and strict compliance with this Memorandum is directed.

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