



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
Region VI - Western Visayas
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF CAPIZ

DIVISION MEMORANDUM
NO. **517** s. 2022

**CELEBRATING CHRISTMAS THROUGH SIMPLE, SAFE, AND MEANINGFUL
ACTIVITIES IN ALL SCHOOLS**

To: OIC, Office of the Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chief Education Supervisors
Curriculum Implementation Division
School Governance and Operations Division
Public Schools District Supervisors/OIC of the Districts
Heads, Public and Private Secondary and Integrated
Schools
All Others Concerned

1. In consonance with Regional Memorandum No. 929, s. 2022 titled **“Celebrating Christmas through Simple, Safe and Meaningful Activities in all Schools”**, all concerned are advised to observe the following:

A. Pre-event Activities and Preparations

- No collection policy must be emphasized;
- Venue of the activity must be within the school premises;
- The date of the activity must adhere to DepEd Order No. 34, s. 2022;
- The time of the activity must not go beyond 4:00 p.m. and shall not extend at another venue, date, or time;
- Food preparation must be handled properly; and
- Learners must secure parents' consent.

B. Event Day Guidelines

- The event must be facilitated by the class adviser or a teacher;
- Only stakeholders are allowed within the school premises;
- Participants must adhere to the latest DOH, IATF, and LGU health protocols; and
- Stringent rules against unauthorized persons must be imposed to avoid bringing in of alcoholic drinks and others.



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C. Post Event Activities

- All learners must be out of the school premises after the activity;
 - Leftovers must be properly disposed of;
 - The venue of the activity must be cleaned, arranged, and sanitized; and
 - Electrical connections, wall outlets, electric fans and the like must be-energized.
2. School Officials are requested to seek assistance from local law enforcement entities to ensure peace and order during the activity.
 3. Participation to the activity is voluntary and must adhere with DepEd Order No. 9, s. 2005 titled "*Instituting Measures to Increase Engaged Time-On-Task and Ensuring Compliance Therewith*", and DepEd Order No. 19, s. 2008 titled "*Implementation of No Collection Policy in all Elementary and Secondary Schools*".
 4. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum are desired.


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AND MEANINGFUL ACTIVITIES IN ALL SCHOOLS**

To: Assistant Regional Director
Schools Division Superintendents
Regional Functional Division Chiefs
All Others Concerned

1. In addition to the attached DepEd Order No. 114, s. 2009 titled **CELEBRATING CHRISTMAS THROUGH SIMPLE BUT MEANINGFUL ACTIVITIES**, this Office emphasizes the following guidelines in the celebration of the yuletide season in simple, safe, and meaningful ways in all schools of the Region.

1. Pre-event Activities and Preparations

SDOs are enjoined to conduct a forum with school heads to discuss the following:

- No collection policy must be emphasized;
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1. This memorandum is for the information of the Schools Division Office - Iloilo City.



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3. Post Event Activities

- All learners must be out of the school premises after the activity;
- Leftovers must properly be disposed of;
- The venue of the activity must be cleaned, arranged, and sanitized; and
- Electrical connections, wall outlets, electric fans and the like must be de-energized.

2. The SDOs may include other guidelines/provisions/precautionary measures which are not contradictory to this Memorandum.

3. School officials are requested to seek assistance from local law enforcement entities to ensure peace and order during the activity.

4. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum are desired.


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Regional Director

Encl.: D.O. 114, s. 2009

Reference: D.O. 114, s. 2009

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DepEd ORDER
No. 114 s. 2009

CELEBRATING CHRISTMAS THROUGH SIMPLE
BUT MEANINGFUL ACTIVITIES

To: Undersecretaries
Assistant Secretaries
Bureau Directors
Directors of Services, Centers and Heads of Units
Regional Directors
Schools Division/City Superintendents
Heads, Public Elementary and Secondary Schools
All Others Concerned

1. The severe difficulties during the past months arising from the global financial crisis and, more recently, the series of destructive typhoons have tested the Filipinos' resiliency. Much suffering has been experienced; yet we end the year with the spirit unbowed and full of hope.
2. The Christmas season should be an occasion for thanksgiving and rejoicing. It also provides us the opportunity to imitate and live out the virtues which the Lord Jesus exemplified during His life here on earth, such as humility, simplicity, and obedience. Christmas celebrations in public schools and DepEd Central and field offices should be simple but meaningful, keeping in mind the true spirit of the season and the austerity called for by the difficult economic times. The following guidelines should be observed:
 - a. Contributions for celebrations in schools or offices, whether in cash or in kind, should be strictly voluntary;
 - b. Decorations should be simple, inexpensive and to the extent possible, produced by students and staffers;
 - c. Gift-giving should be guided by the spirit of sharing and should not lead to extravagant spending;
 - d. Schools or offices which decide to forego Christmas parties should consider donating the savings to relief assistance for families still reeling from the destruction caused by recent calamities; and
 - e. Disruption of academic activities in schools and delivery of Departmental services should be minimized.
3. Any violation of the guidelines prescribed in this Order shall be subject to administrative action.
4. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Order is directed.


JESLI A. LAPUS
Secretary

Reference: DepED Order No. 74, s. 2008

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