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Department of Education
Region I
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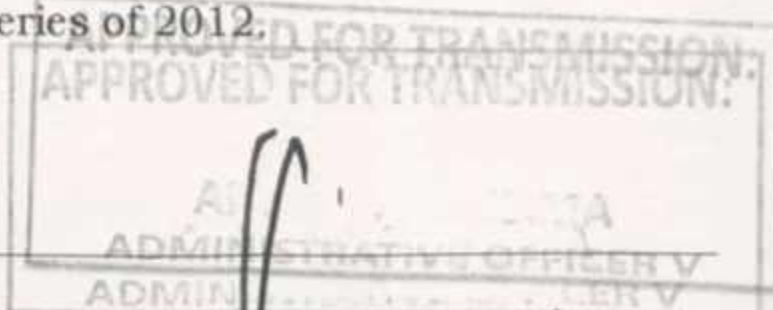
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DIVISION MEMORANDUM
NO. 119 s. 2024

**REITERATION ON THE CONDUCT OF MANDATORY UNANNOUNCED EARTHQUAKE
AND FIRE DRILL (DEPED ORDER NO. 053, S.2022)
AND DEPED POLICY ON THE MAINTENANCE OF CLEAN SCHOOLS**

TO: Assistant Schools Division Superintendents
Chief Education Supervisors
Education Program Supervisors
All Public Schools District Supervisors
All Public Secondary and Elementary School Heads, Assistant Principal, OIC's
All Public Secondary and Elementary School Disaster Risk Reduction and
Management (DRRM) Coordinators
All Others Concerned

1. In adherence to the DepEd Order No. 053, series of 2022 dated December 9, 2022 and the Regional Memorandum 006, series 2022 dated January 4, 2023, This office reiterates the **conduct of the Mandatory Unannounced Earthquake and Fire Drills in all public schools every first week and third week of the month.**
2. The School Heads and School Disaster Risk Reduction and Management (DRRM) Coordinators shall plan, implement and monitor the conduct of the activity in their respective schools.
3. The following shall be observed for the said activity:
 - the drill shall fall on any day of the first and third week of the month;
 - the quarterly Nationwide Simultaneous Earthquake Drill (NSED) for 2024 shall be conducted separately if they do not fall on the first and third week of the month;
 - the school shall ensure the safety and well-being of the learners and personnel in their participation to the drill by providing orientation prior to the actual conduct of the drill;
 - schools should endeavor to meet the natural reactions of learners closest possible to the actual occurrence.
4. For the guidelines on the conduct of an earthquake drill in schools and drill evaluation, schools may refer to DepEd Order No. 48, series of 2012.



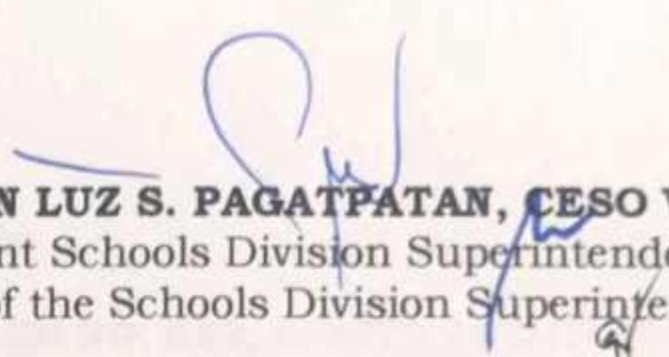
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5. Furthermore, this office reiterates the provisions stipulated in the **DepEd Order No. 021 s. 2023, the Department's Clean Schools Policy.**

"Schools shall ensure that school grounds, classrooms and all its walls, and other school facilities are clean and free from unnecessary artwork, decorations, tarpaulin, and posters at all times. Clean classroom walls shall remain bare and devoid of posters, decorations or other posted materials. Classrooms should not be used to stockpile materials and should be clear of other unused items for items for disposal."

6. Schools division office monitoring personnel, Public Schools District Supervisors, School Heads are directed to establish their respective monitoring mechanisms and ensure the continuing compliance of schools with the aforementioned policies of the Department.

7. For widest dissemination and strict compliance.


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Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
OIC, Office of the Schools Division Superintendent

Encl: As Stated

Reference: None

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index

Under the following subjects:

DRRM
DRILLS

SAFETY EDUCATION

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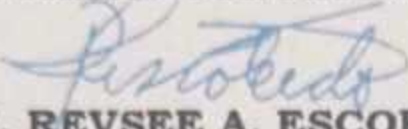


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OFFICE OF THE UNDERSECRETARY FOR OPERATIONS

MEMORANDUM
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FOR : ALL REGIONAL DIRECTORS
ALL SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS
ALL OTHERS CONCERNED

FROM : 
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Assistant Secretary for Operations

SUBJECT : REITERATION OF DEPED ORDER NO. 053, S. 2022 AND DEPED
POLICY ON THE MAINTENANCE OF CLEAN SCHOOLS

DATE : February 15, 2024

This Office issues this Memorandum to reiterate DepEd Order No. 053, s. 2022 titled *Mandatory Unannounced Earthquake and Fire Drills in Schools* issued on December 9, 2022. Section 4 of the Order states that **“all public schools are hereby required to conduct unannounced earthquake and fire drills every first and third week of every month.”** The directive is pursuant to Republic Act No. 10121 or *The Philippine Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Act of 2010* which aims to develop disaster management capacities at the individual, organizational, and institutional levels; as well as the commitment of the Department of ensuring the safety and well-being of learners and its personnel.

Furthermore, please be also advised of the Department’s Clean Schools Policy, which is stipulated in Section B.2. of DepEd Order No. 021, s. 2023, as follows:

“Schools shall ensure that school grounds, classrooms and all its walls, and other school facilities are clean and free from unnecessary artwork, decorations, tarpaulin, and posters at all times. . . Classroom walls shall remain bare and devoid of posters, decorations or other posted materials. Classrooms should not be used to stockpile materials and should be clear of other unused items or items for disposal.”

All regional and schools division offices are directed to establish their respective monitoring mechanisms and ensure the continuing compliance of schools with the aforementioned policies of the Department.

For wide dissemination and strict compliance.