



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education

Region XII
Schools Division Office of Tacurong City

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DIVISION MEMORANDUM
SGOD No. 121 s. 2023

CELEBRATION OF THE 31ST NATIONAL CHILDREN'S MONTH

TO: OIC - Assistant School Division Superintendent
Chiefs, CID and SGOD
All Public School Heads
This Division

1. Pursuant to the Region Memorandum ESSD-2023-145 on the Celebration of the 31st National Children's month, schools are encouraged to conduct the localized National Children's Month Celebration for this month of November and participate virtually in the National Kick-off Program on **November 11, 2023**, Saturday at 9:00 a.m. to be conducted live and streamed via DepEd Philippines and LRPO Facebook pages.
2. With the theme **Healthy, Nourished, Sheltered: Ensuring the Right to Life for All**, this year's celebration shall highlight the importance of access to available and quality healthcare for children, focusing on the following:
 - a. Promotion of evidenced-based and inclusive, healthcare and nutrition services and intervention for children;
 - b. Equipping our children, their parents, and caregivers with the right information to prevent healthcare misinformation and disinformation;
 - c. Encourage and facilitate health-seeking behavior among families and communities.
3. DepEd's 31st NCM kick-off program shall focus its discussion on the implementation of Republic Act No. 11930 or "An Act Punishing Online Sexual Abuse or Exploitation of Children (OSAEC), Penalizing the Production, Distribution, Possession, and Access of Child Sexual Abuse or Exploitation Materials (CSAEM)," and its recently enacted Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR).
4. Since the topic is intended to address the rising cases of online exploitation in children, the DepEd Learner Right and Protection Office (LRPO) is inviting not only learners and teachers, but also parents and other stakeholders to attend the online kick-off program. Hence, School Heads are advised to undertake actions to inform parents or encourage the PTA officials to take part.
5. Expenses for the conduct and monitoring of localized activities will be charged to local funds or any available funds subject to accounting and auditing rules and regulations.



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6. For inquiries and concerns, please contact the Division Youth Formation Coordinator / Learner Rights and Protection Coordinator at 09060176863 or email john.bayugos@deped.gov.ph.
7. Widest dissemination and compliance of this Memorandum is desired.


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Schools Division Superintendent

Enclosure: None

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Attachments: None

To be included in the Perpetual Index under the following Subjects:

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