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Department of Education

Region XII Schools Division Office of Tacurong City

May 6, 2024

DIVISION MEMORANDUM SGOD No. <u>044</u>, s. 2024

REITERATION OF ADHERENCE TO DEPARTMENT ORDER NO. 13 s 2017 REGARDING HEALTHY FOOD AND BEVERAGE CHOICES

TO:

Asst. Schools Division Superintendent Chiefs, CID and SGOD Cluster Heads School Heads This Division

- 1. In accordance with the directives set forth by the Department of Education through Department Order No. s 2017 titled "Healthy Food and Beverage Choices in Schools and in DepEd Offices", it is imperative that all educational institutions and service providers under the DepEd's jurisdiction adhere strictly to the guidelines outlined in the said Order.
- 2. As we strive to promote the health and well-being of our learners, faculty, and staff, it is essential to prioritize nutritious food and beverage options within our school premises. The consumption of healthy meals and snacks not only contributes to physical well-being but also enhances cognitive function and academic performance.
- 3. Therefore, the following provisions outlined in Department Order No. 13 s. 2017 are reiterated:
 - a. Availability of Healthy Food and Beverage Choices

 School canteens and catering service providers operating within DepEd premises are required to offer a variety of nutritious food and beverage options that comply with the nutritional standards set by the DepEd.
 - b. Restriction of Unhealthy Food and Beverage Items:

The sale or provision of carbonated drinks, processed snacks high in fat, sugar, and salt (HFSS), and other unhealthy food items that do not meet the nutritional criteria specified in Department Order No. s 2017 is strictly prohibited within school premises.



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c. Promotion of Healthy Eating Habits

Educational institutions are encouraged to promote healthy eating habits among students, faculty, and staff through educational campaigns, workshops, and other relevant activities.

d. Compliance Monitoring

School administrators are responsible for monitoring the adherence of school canteens and caterers to the provisions of Department Order No. s 2017 and ensuring strict compliance with the established guidelines.

- 4. In addition to this memorandum, please find enclosed Regional Memorandum ESSD 2024 030 titled Reiteration on Compliance to Healthy Food and Beverage Choices in Schools and in DepEd Officer During Meetings, Conferences, Trainings and Other Related Actitivities providing supplementary guidelines and clarifications regarding the implementation of Department Order No. 13 s 2017.
- 5. It is emphasized that all stakeholders within the DepEd community uphold their commitment to promoting a culture of health and wellness by implementing and enforcing these guidelines effectively.
- 6. Failure to comply with these directives may result in appropriate disciplinary action in accordance with existing DepEd policies and regulations.
- 7. For the information and preferential attention of all concerned.

GILDO G. MOSQUEDA, CEO VI Schools Division Superintendent

Enclosure: Regional Memorandum ESSD – 2024 – 030 Reiteration On Compliance To Healthy Food And Beverage Choices In Schools And In Deped Offices During Meetings, Conferences, Trainings And Other Related Activities Reference: Allotment: None

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index under the following subjects:

Nutrition School Health Office Healthy Food

KMBM/SGOD/DM/ DO 13 s. 2017 Policy Guidelines On Healthy Food And Beverage Choices In Schools And Deped Offices/March 17, 2017



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REGION MEMORANDUM ESSD-2024-030

REITERATION ON COMPLIANCE TO HEALTHY FOOD AND BEVERAGE CHOICES IN SCHOOLS AND IN DEPED OFFICES DURING MEETINGS. CONFERENCES, TRAININGS AND OTHER RELATED ACTIVITIES

Schools Division Superintendents To:

- To promote a healthy diet and positive learning behavior and provide healthier environment to learners and to its teaching and non-teaching personnel, Department Order # 13 s 2017 "Healthy Food and Beverage Choices in Schools and in DepEd Offices" and RNC Resolution No. 01 series of 2017 "Encouraging all Regional Line Agencies to Serve Healthy Meals and Snacks During Meetings, Conferences, Trainings and Related Activities" had been issued and are hereby reiterated for compliance.
- All canteens, caterers and other food suppliers must adhere to this policy by 2. serving healthy food and snacks in all meetings, conferences, trainings and other related activities. Furthermore, RDC XII Resolution No. 67 series of 2020 encourages to serve milk and milk products during meetings and similar activities too.
- The Division School Health Section personnel, district supervisors and school heads are directed to monitor compliance of schools and offices and report those who are not complying for appropriate action pursuant to DepEd Order #49 s. 2006.

Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired. 4.

Director IV

Enclosure: None

Reference: D.O#13 s 2017; RNC Resolution #01 s 2017, RDC XII Resolution #27 s 2020

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SCHOOL HEALTH

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