

Republic of the Philippines Devartment of Education

Region XII Schools Division Office of Tacurong City

04 June 2025

DIVISION MEMORANDUM SGOD No. 543, s. 2025

OBSERVANCE OF THE NATIONAL NO SMOKING MONTH AND WORLD NO TOBACCO DAY 2025

To: Asst. Schools Division Superintendent Chiefs, CID and SGOD Cluster Heads/School Heads All Others Concerned This Division

- 1. The Schools Division Office of Tacurong through the School Governance and Operations Division- School Health and Nutrition Section joins the public in the celebration of the World No Tobacco Day on May 31, 2025 and the No Smoking Month which is celebrated every June with this year's theme: "Unmasking the Appeal: Exposing Industry Tactics on Tobacco and Nicotine Products". The observance aims to raise public awareness on the ill effects of smoking and to encourage smokers to give up the habit.
- 2. All schools and DepEd offices are hereby reminded of the provisions of DepEd Order No. 48 s. 2016 or the "Policy Guidelines on Comprehensive Tobacco Control" which **PROHIBITS** schools to accept gifts, donations, and sponsorships from companies in the tobacco industry, whether directly or indirectly.
- 3. Furthermore, ALL are reminded that cigarette smoking, use of vape or any other form of smoking is PROHIBITED INSIDE THE SCHOOL PREMISES, DEPED OFFICES AND BUILDINGS. Violation of the policy is subject to disciplinary action cited in the DepEd Order No. 48s, 2016.
- 4. All schools are enjoined to be part of the No Smoking Month by participating in the suggested activities:
 - a. Posting of IEC materials in front School and school's social media accounts.
 - Promoting the implementation of the DepEd Order No. 48, s 2016 or the "Policy and Guidelines on Comprehensive Tobacco Control,



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and Prohibiting other Electronic Nicotine and Non-Nicotine Delivery Systems like vape;

c. Advocacy campaign

- 5. For further quiries and clarification, contact Ms. April Jane L. Duadua, RN, Division NDEP Coordinator at apriljane.duadua@deped.gov.ph or 09190656425.
- 6. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

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Enclosure: None

Reference: Proclamation No. 183, s. 1993

Allotment: None

To be indicated in the <u>Perpetual Index</u> under the following subjects:

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