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Department of Education
Region XII
Schools Division Office of Tacurong City

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DIVISION MEMORANDUM
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CONDUCT OF RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION IN THE ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE THREE-TERM SCHOOL CALENDAR POLICY

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chiefs - (CID & SGOD)
Education Program Supervisors
Cluster Heads
Public Elementary and Secondary School Administrators
This Division

1. Pursuant to DepEd Order No. 49, s. 2009 titled **“Reiterating the Revised Rules and Regulations on the Teaching of Religion in Public Elementary and Secondary Schools,”** and consistent with the implementation of the **K to 12 Basic Education Curriculum** and the **Three-Term School Calendar Policy (DepED Order No. 9, series 2026)**, this Office reiterates the guidelines on the conduct of religious instruction in public elementary and secondary schools.
2. Schools are reminded to properly schedule religious instruction activities so that these will not affect classes, assessments, learning recovery activities, and other school programs during the three academic terms.
3. Requests from religious groups and organizations to conduct religious instruction may be allowed provided that:
 - a. Activities are conducted outside regular class hours and **DO NOT** disrupt teaching, learning activities, assessments, and other school programs;
 - b. The schedule and duration of activities are coordinated with and approved by the School Head;
 - c. Participation of learners is **VOLUNTARY** and with written consent from parents or guardians;



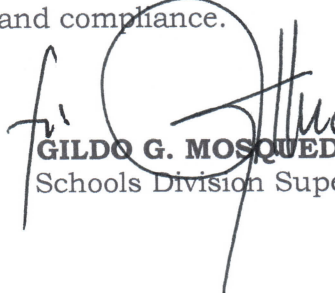
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- d. Learners shall not be forced or discriminated against based on their participation or non-participation;
- e. No fees or monetary contributions shall be collected from learners, parents, or teachers; and
- f. All activities shall follow existing DepEd policies on child protection, learner welfare, inclusivity, and respect for different religious beliefs.
4. School Heads are directed to strictly monitor the conduct of religious instruction activities and ensure that **instructional time and learning continuity are protected** throughout the implementation of the three academic terms.
5. For your information, dissemination, and compliance.


GILDO G. MOSQUEDA, CEO VI
Schools Division Superintendent

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Reference: None
Allotment: None
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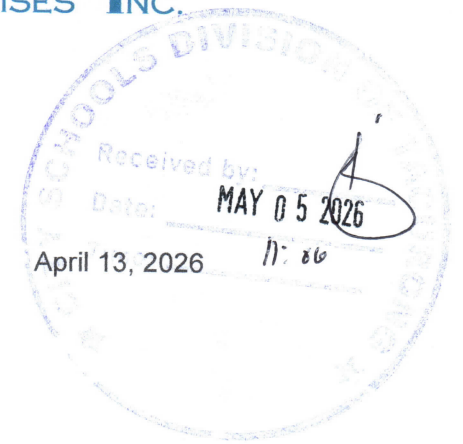


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Sir:

We appreciate your making the effort to make the time to meet with us even in the midst of busy preparation for this school year. Thank you very much.

Through many years of doing this TMT campus youth ministry to help mold the spiritual lives of high school students in various schools throughout Region 12, we are still committed to continue this task.

Year after year we receive feedback from many students, teachers, and principals as well as from some parents of our contribution to the spiritual development in the lives of the students who attended our Bible-based character-building program. They learned to choose good "barkadas" refrained from drugs, alcohol abuse and promiscuous life style. They became good students, respectful and obedient to their parents as well as to their teachers. We are committed to help our youth in public schools in this Division to become good citizens, future good parents and God-fearing leaders of our country.

We are requesting your kind permission for our TMT teachers to continue conducting spiritual formation/activities in the various Division school campuses this 2026-2027 school year. Given your approval, we are prepared to request class schedules from the school heads beginning as early as June 1, 2026. We will abide by the following conditions:

1. Our Bible class teachers will stay up to seven hours in the campus and conduct their activities during the schools' permitted time and these should not disrupt classes.
2. Participation of students in the said activities must be on voluntary basis. Students will fill up the TMT STUDENT SURVEY FORM to be signed by their parents/guardians.
3. All off campus activities conducted must abide with the protocols set by the school and Department of Education pursuant to DO No. 66, S. 2017. *"Implementing Guidelines on the conduct of Off – Campus Activities."*

We look forward to your kind approval of our request. May God bless you with wisdom and strength in all your tasks.

Very truly yours,

Mr. Johann V. Carisma
TMT Head Coordinator