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## Department of Education

REGION III SCHOOLS DIVISION OFFICE OF BATAAN

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## SUSPENSION OF CLASSES IN THE MIDST OF THE SURGE IN COVID-19 CASES AND REITERATING THE POLICY ON ACADEMIC EASE

To: OIC-Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chief Education Supervisors
Education Program Supervisors
Public Schools District Supervisors
Elementary and Secondary School Principals
School Heads/Administrators, Private Schools
All Others Concerned

- This Office has received numerous reports that an increasing number of teachers, learners, and other school personnel has been exhibiting symptoms of or are positive for COVID-19.
- In consultation with education stakeholders, to help arrest this surge in COVID cases in the Province of Bataan and in line with attached DM-CI-2022-009 titled Reiterating the Policy on Academic Ease and Allowing the Suspension of Classes and Other Teaching-Related Activities in the Midst of the Surge in Covid-19 Cases, SDO Bataan announces the suspension of classes for two (2) weeks from January 17 to January 28, 2022.
- 3. Relative to this, all classes regardless of modality, submission of academic requirements, and conduct of other teaching-related activities, including the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Examination, are effectively postponed for two weeks.
- Similarly, previously scheduled activities of the SDO which includes the distribution of OTG-USB and SLMs shall be reset after the two-week suspension.
- 5. During the suspension of classes, schools shall employ a skeleton workforce of 60% of its non-teaching personnel reporting on-site to render frontline services while teaching personnel are directed to stay at home. Offices shall continue full operations with a minimum of 60% of personnel reporting on-site in accordance with Alert Level 3.



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- 6. Furthermore, schools are required to continuously implement the Suggested Measures to Foster Academic Ease During the COVID 19 Pandemic as stated in DM-CI-2020-307.
- 7. Meanwhile, private schools may exercise their own discretion relative to the suspension of classes in consultation with their respective parents' associations.
- 8. Everyone is enjoined to strictly observe the health and safety protocols and to pray for the recovery of all who contracted the disease.

9. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

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