



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
REGION III
SCHOOLS DIVISION OFFICE OF BATAAN

DIVISION MEMORANDUM
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STRENGTHENING SCHOOL SAFETY AND SECURITY MEASURES

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chief Education Supervisors
Education Program Supervisors
Public Schools District Supervisors
Public and Private Elementary and Secondary School Principals
All Others Concerned

1. In light of the increasing threats and risks confronting schools, such as bomb threats, shooting incidents, other security concerns, and natural calamities, and pursuant to DepEd Order No. 006, s. 2026, "Strengthening School Safety and Security Measures," this Office reiterates the strict implementation and reinforcement of all safety and security protocols across all public and private schools within the Division.
2. Schools are reminded to ensure the safety and protection of learners, teachers, and personnel at all times, while institutionalizing proactive measures that will mitigate risks and enhance preparedness. It likewise seeks to foster close coordination with appropriate authorities in maintaining a secure learning environment.
3. To achieve these objectives, schools shall be directed to enforce existing safety and security protocols with utmost diligence, including visitor management, perimeter security, and emergency response procedures. School heads shall maintain close coordination with the Philippine National Police, the Bureau of Fire Protection, and the Local Government Units to guarantee immediate response and support during emergencies. Regular emergency and evacuation drills shall be conducted to strengthen preparedness among learners and personnel, thereby ensuring that the school community is capable of responding effectively to unforeseen situations.
4. Furthermore, in line with existing directives, schools may include the procurement of metal detectors, per Joint Memorandum OM-OUGOPS-



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OASF-2026-01-02196, and other necessary equipment in their Disaster Risk Reduction and Management procurement plan. This measure will complement ongoing efforts to enhance readiness and resilience, while also reinforcing the confidence of parents and communities in the safety of learners and personnel. Also, school heads must ensure that information dissemination regarding school safety and security cases are verified and reliable, as well as compliance with the protocols in handling such cases.

5. Immediate dissemination of and strict compliance with this Memorandum are hereby directed.


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References: As stated.
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