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DIVISION MEMORANDUM No. 117, s. 2022

To: Public Schools District In-Charge
Division Tobacco Control Coordinator
Elementary and Secondary School Heads
All Others Concerned
This Division

Subject: **ENSURING SMOKE-FREE ELECTIONS**

- 1. This Office disseminates **OUA MEMORANDUM 00-0522-0006** dated May 2,2022 entitled, **"ENSURING SMOKE-FREE ELECTIONS"**, for the information and reference of all concerned.
- 2. Attached are the OUA MEMORANDUM 00-0522-0006 and the letter on strict enforcement ban on smoking, vaping/ use of electronic nicotine and non-nicotine delivery systems addressed to school heads.
- 3. For wide dissemination and compliance.

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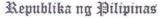
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OUA MEMO 00-0522-0006 MEMORANDUM02 May 2022

For:

Regional Directors

Schools Division Superintendents

Regional and Division Tobacco Control Coordinators

School Heads

Subject:

ENSURING SMOKE-FREE ELECTIONS

Consistent with existing national laws and government and DepEd issuances, this Office, through the Bureau of Learner Support Services-School Health Division (BLSS-SHD), reminds all concerned to ensure that existing **tobacco control and related policies** shall be **strictly implemented** in schools that will be used as **voting centers during the 2022 national elections**.

All division offices and schools concerned are reminded to ensure proper coordination with their respective local government units for the strict enforcement, particularly of the: 1) ban on smoking and vaping on all school premises; and 2) ban on the sale, advertising, and promotion of cigarettes and other tobacco and related products (e.g., e-cigarettes, vapes, nicotine delivery systems) in and within the 100-meter perimeter of the schools.

Attached is a **letter template** (**Annex A**) that may be used by the Schools Division Superintendents/School Heads concerned when writing to their respective local chief executives regarding this concern. An editable version of the letter, along with other **printable collaterals**, may be accessed at: https://bit.ly/smokefree2022elections. Tobacco control coordinators are requested to provide necessary assistance to schools regarding this concern.

For questions and concerns, please contact **Gian Erik M. Adao**, Education Program Specialist II, through email at blss.shd@deped.gov.ph .

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Annex A

4 May 2022

XXXXX X. XXXX

Position/Title Office Address

Dear XX. XXXX:

Greetings of safety and goo'd health!

Our school/the following schools will serve as (a) voting center(s) for the national elections on 9 May 2022.

With community members expected to come and stay at the school on that day, we would like to request that **the strict enforcement of 100% ban on smoking and vaping/use of electronic nicotine and non-nicotine delivery systems** in school premises be part of the assistance provided to us by the local government.

In addition to the harm caused to the health of persons who smoke/vape and those around them, smoking or vaping also **poses a risk for COVID-19 transmission** because of removal of the face mask, touching the face, aerosolization of viral particles, and sharing of devices. The activity also usually entails unnecessary congregation of persons who smoke/vape.

The absolute smoking/vaping ban in schools is also consistent with national laws, executive orders, and government issuances including Republic Act 9211; Executive Order No. 106 (2020); Civil Service Commission Memorandum Circular No. 17, s. 2009; and DepEd Order No. 48, s. 2016.

The local government is further requested to help ensure that **no tobacco and** related products (e.g., cigarettes, vapes) are sold within 100 meters from any point of the perimeter of our school, in compliance with RA 9211 and EO 106.

For any question, please contact XXXX.

Looking forward to your support. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

XXXXX X. XXXX

Schools Division Superintendent/School Head