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SCHOOLS DIVISION OF TANGUB CITY

DIVISION MEMORANDUM No. 298, s. 2023

REITERATION OF POLICY AND GUIDELINES ON COMPREHENSIVE TOBACCO CONTROL (DepEd Order No. 48, s. 2016) and ADOPTION OF CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION (CSC) MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR No. 17, s. 2009 SMOKING PROHIBITION BASED ON 100% SMOKE-FREE ENVIRONMENT POLICY

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chief Education Supervisors (CID & SGOD)
Education Program Supervisors
Public Schools District In-Charge
Public Elementary & Secondary School Heads
All Others Concerned
This Division

- 1. Pursuant DepEd Order No. 48, s. 2016, entitled "Policy and Guidelines on Comprehensive Tobacco Control" and Civil Service Commission (CSC) Memorandum Circular No. 17, s. 2009 re: "Smoking Prohibition based on 100% Smoke -Free Environment Policy", this Office hereby enjoins everyone to strictly adhere to its policy guidelines. The policy aims to promote a healthy environment and smoke -free environment in and around schools and DepEd offices.
- 2. With this, in consonance with the DepEd Order No. 48, s. 2016 and CSC Memorandum Circular No. 17, s. 2009, division personnel, school heads, teaching and non-teaching personnel must strictly adhere to the NO SMOKING/VAPING POLICY inside DepEd offices, schools and its premises.
- 3. All schools should ensure the year-round compliance to the following:
 - a. Posting of NO SMOKING /VAPING with graphics health warnings at school gates, ground, and other conspicuous areas (e.g., comfort rooms, conference hall, etc.)
 - b. Posting of Signage "NO selling/distribution of tobacco products within 100meters from any point of the perimeter of the school."
 - c. Ban on smoking/vaping inside school and within the 100-meter premises of the school
 - d. Ban on selling and advertising tobacco products and the like 100-meters from the school.
 - e. Ban on receiving donation from tobacco companies.
 - f. Conduct of symposium on Substance (Tobacco, Alcohol and Drugs) Use and Abuse to learners.
- 4. Attached herewith is a sample poster of NO SMOKING /VAPING and NO selling/distribution of tobacco products within 100 meters from any point of the perimeter of the school.

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- School heads, PSDICs, EPSs, led by School Health and Nutrition and School Governance Operation Division shall conduct strict monitoring on the implementation of the said program.
- Moreover, monitoring and reporting of violation and compliance shall be a vital component of its implementation in all schools and offices. Any violation of MC No. 17, s. 2009 shall be considered a ground for disciplinary action pursuant to Rule XIV (Discipline) of the Omnibus Rules Implementing Book V of Executive Order No. 292.
- For the information, wide dissemination, and compliance of all concerned. 7.

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References: DepEd Order No. 48, s. 2016 CSC Memorandum Circular No. 17, s. 2009

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