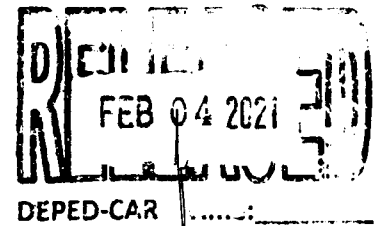




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Department of Education
CORDILLERA ADMINISTRATIVE REGION



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REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

NO. 036.2021

**REITERATION OF THE “NO FACE TO FACE OR IN-PERSON CLASSES”
POLICY IN K-12 BASIC EDUCATION**

To: OIC-Asst. Regional Director
Schools Division Superintendents
Public and Private School Heads/Administrators
All Others Concerned

1. This office reiterates the **“no face to face or in-person classes policy”** in all public and private elementary and secondary schools in this region.
2. The latest Omnibus Guidelines on the Implementation of Community Quarantine in the Philippines with Amendments as of **January 21, 2021** retained that face-to-face or in-person classes shall be suspended in areas under General Community Quarantine (GCQ). Section 4.11.a.ii provides that “opening of private schools will be allowed within the period provided by law. *Provided*, that the School Learning Continuity Plan shall be submitted; no face-to-face classes will be allowed earlier than 24 August 2020; **and from 24 August, face-to-face learning shall only be allowed when the local risk severity grading permits and subject to compliance with minimum public health standards”**
3. Further, Section 5.6 paragraph 3 provides that under the Modified General Community Quarantine (MGCQ) areas, the “Basic Education Learning Continuity Plan of the DepEd shall be adopted”.
4. With the existing health risk in the region however, all schools are directed to **disregard face-to-face as a mode of instruction despite its inclusion as one among the delivery models in the approved School Learning Continuity Plan for School Year 2020-2021**, except when allowed by the local risk severity grading or when new guidelines allowing face-to-face or in-person classes is issued.
5. Strict compliance to this memorandum is desired.


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