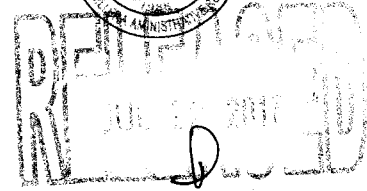
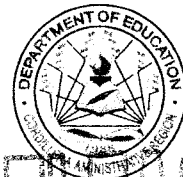




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REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

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**SCHOOL-BASED DISASTER RISK REDUCTION ACTIVITIES IN OBSERVANCE OF JULY AS  
NATIONAL DISASTER RESILIENCE MONTH**

TO: Schools Division Superintendents  
Heads, Public Elementary and Secondary Schools  
All Others Concerned

1. The signing of Executive Order No. 29 on June 28, 2017 by President Rodrigo Roa Duterte shifted the focus of the observance of the month of July as National Disaster Consciousness Month to National Disaster Resilience Month (NDRM). Activities for the month of July should focus on building disaster resilience which pertains to the ability of individuals, communities, organizations and states to adapt to and recover from the effects of hazards and disasters through effective risk management.
2. With this year's theme "4Ks: Kamalayan sa Kahandaan, Katumbas ay Kaligtasan", all schools and division offices are encouraged to undertake relevant activities that emphasize disaster risk reduction and management education such as but not limited to the following:
  - Display of streamers indicating this years' theme
  - Conduct of multi-hazard drills
  - Conduct of DRRM-related contests
  - Conduct of Symposium or forum on DRRM
  - Orientations for DepEd personnel and school children on what to do before, during and after the occurrence of possible hazards
  - Posting of tarpaulin declaring Schools as Zones of Peace
  - Establishment of DRRM Corner/Bulletin Board in schools
3. This region also reiterates the conduct of the following activities in the elementary and secondary schools within the school year:
  - Quarterly Conduct of the National School-Based Earthquake and Fire Drills (Dep Ed Order No. 48, s. 2012)
  - Student-led School Watching and Hazard Mapping (DepEd Order No. 2015)
  - Promoting Family Earthquake Preparedness (DepEd Order No. 27, s. 2015)
  - Strengthening the Fire and Safety Awareness Program (DepEd Order No. 28, s. 2015)
4. To give more significance to these activities, all schools and offices are encouraged to coordinate with their local DRRM councils and other concerned agencies especially in the conduct of drills and symposia among others. Post-activity reports on the activities conducted should also be submitted to the Schools Division DRRM coordinator for consolidation and submission to the Regional Office.
5. For information and wide dissemination.

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