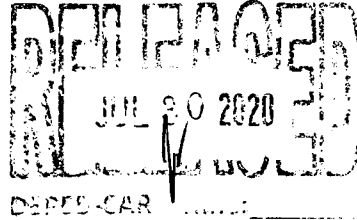




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**Department of Education**  
Cordillera Administrative Region

OFFICE OF THE REGIONAL DIRECTOR



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REGIONAL MEMORANDUM  
No. 215.2020

**USE OF SCHOOLS AS QUARANTINE AND/OR ISOLATION FACILITIES**

To: Schools Division Superintendents  
Public Elementary and Secondary Schools

1. The Department of Education fully supports the governments' response against the COVID-19 threat. In conformity with Republic Act No. (RA) 11469 or Bayanihan to Heal as One Act, the Department permitted the use of public schools as quarantine and isolation facilities and allowed DepEd personnel to assist and augment the local government in its response operations.
2. To prepare for the opening of classes, schools were only allowed to be used as quarantine and isolation facilities until 30 June 2020, However, this was extended to 31 July 2020 in response to the continued requests from the Local Chief Executives.
3. However, due to the preparations for the school opening and to protect the welfare of our learners, teachers and school personnel, this Office is constrained to deny requests for the extension of use of schools as quarantine facilities.
4. Per advise from DepEd Central Office, any request for further extended use of DepEd facilities beyond July 31, 2020 shall be addressed to the Secretary of Education. Further, the requesting Local Government Unit must secure clearance from the DILG Secretary Edgardo M. Año or Secretary Carlito G. Galvez, Jr, Chief Implementer of the National Task Force (NTF) COVID-19 and attach this to the letter request. Should any request be approved by the DepEd Secretary, extension shall only be until 15 August 2020.
5. School officials are instructed to inform their local chief executives on this matter and may assist them in identifying other possible quarantine facilities to be used in the locality. School officials are further instructed to ensure that all classrooms and facilities utilized as quarantine or isolation areas are disinfected before August 1, 2020.
6. For information, guidance and dissemination.

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