Regional Memorandum
No. 228, s. 2023

REITERATION OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF MODULAR DISTANCE LEARNING AS PROVIDED IN DEPED ORDER NO. 037, S. 2022

To Schools Division Superintendents

1. In reference with OASOPS No. 2023-077, the Department of Education (DepEd) through the Office of the Undersecretary for Operations, reiterates the provisions of DepEd Order No. 037, s.2022, titled “Guidelines on the Cancellation of Classes and Work in Schools in the Event of Natural Disasters, Power Outages/Power Interruptions, and Other Calamities.”

2. DO 037, s. 2022 provides for the implementation of modular distance learning in the event of canceled or suspended classes due to natural disasters, calamities, and human-induced hazards to ensure learning continuity and that learning competencies and objectives are met.

3. With high regard to the safety of learners and school personnel from any possible untoward incident caused by warmer temperatures due to the prevailing warm and dry season as announced by the Philippine Atmospheric, Geophysical and Astronomical Services Administration (PAGASA) on March 21, 2023, the DepEd reminds School Heads of their authority and responsibility, consistent with Rule VI, Section 6.1 of DO No. 01, s. 2003 or the Implementing Rules and Regulations of Republic Act No. 9155, to suspend in-person classes and implement modular distance learning in cases of unfavorable weather and environment, such as, but not limited to, extremely high temperatures which may considerably affect the conduct of classroom learning and put the learners’ health and well being at risk.

4. Schools Division Offices, through the Schools Division Superintendent, shall monitor schools implementing the said modality and shall submit a report on the aforementioned to the Regional Director.

5. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

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