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Regional Memorandum No.61 s.2024

REITERATION OF DO No. 1 s. 2022 OR THE REVISED POLICY GUIDELINES ON HOMESCHOOLING PROGRAM

- To Schools Division Superintendent
 - 1. This Office through the Quality Assurance Division (QAD) reiterates the provisions stated on DepEd Order No. 1 s. 2022 or the Revised Policy Guidelines on Homeschooling Program, to wit:
 - a. Section VI. Program Implementation

Both public and private schools may offer the Homeschooling Program as Alternative Delivery Mode (ADM). Any private schools intending to offer shall secure first a Permit to Offer the Homeschooling Program, while public schools shall seek Authorization from the Regional Office. The Permit/Authorization to Offer the Homeschooling Program to be granted by the RO to qualified public and private schools shall be valid for **two (2) years**. The RO may revoke at any time the said authorization/permit upon valid grounds and in accordance with due process.

Only those schools (private and public) with permit to operate/authorization are eligible to implement the Homeschooling Program. Schools with no permit shall not use in any way the term Homeschooling Program to promote or market the school.

b. Section VI-2. Availment of the Homeschooling Program

Only those **residing in the Philippines** shall be allowed to enroll in the Homeschooling Program; however, should the family relocate or travel to another country within the school year, the homeschool learner may continue his/her studies under the Homeschooling Program to finish the school year subject to the existing laws and regulations of the country where the homeschool learner relocated or traveled.







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Only those students who are residing in the Philippines may avail the program. Students who are residing abroad cannot enroll or avail the homeschooling program.

c. Section IV-15. Program Implementation- Provisions for Private Schools

Only private schools with Government Recognition can offer Homeschooling Program as an ADM.

Only recognized private schools may apply for the Homeschooling Program permit to operate. Those schools with permit to operate (which are being renewed annually) may not avail the program.

- d. Section V. Program Standards C. Instruction
 - 1. Learners

The Homeschooling Program caters to various types of learners whose parents/guardians choose to have them educated at home for reasons including, but not limited to the following:

- a. learners at risk of dropping out;
- b. learners with special education needs;
- learners who are incapable of reporting to school regularly because of medical conditions;
- d. learners who are in emergency situation, national emergency or in conflict areas;
- e. learners who had unpleasant experiences that affect their health and wellbeing in the regular school;
- f. learners who drop out for personal reasons;
- g. learners whose parents/guardians have jobs that require them to constantly travel; and
- h. learners whose studies are interrupted due to relocation of parents/guardians 9within the Philippines or as Overseas Filipino Workers (OFW)

"Learners who belong to these types may avail the program both in private and public schools."

2. Immediate and widest dissemination of this Memorandum is enjoined.

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