



Republic of the Philippines  
**Department of Education**  
REGION VIII - EASTERN VISAYAS

September 28, 2020

**REGIONAL MEMORANDUM**

No. **506**, s. 2020

**SCHOOL OPENING INTERAGENCY CONVERGENCE AND ONLINE PRESS CONFERENCE**

To: Director III  
Regional Office Chiefs  
Schools Division Superintendents  
All Others Concerned

1. In line with the preparation for the opening of classes, this Office shall conduct a **School Opening Interagency Convergence and Online Press Conference** on October 2, 2020, 2:00PM at the Training Hall, DepEd Regional Office VIII, Candahug, Palo, Leyte.

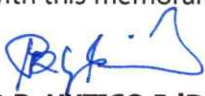
2. The objective of the activity is to update the public on the preparations of the Department of Education (DepEd) for the opening of classes and provide guidance on how the delivery of basic education shall be managed considering the challenges brought about by the unprecedented outbreak of COVID-19. The activity shall also involve other government agencies to ensure smooth collaboration in the implementation of the Learning Continuity Plan.

3. The participants of this activity shall be:

Regional Office	1 Assistant Regional Director
	2 PAU
	1 ICTU
	1 Planning Officer
	8 Regional Office Chiefs
Schools Division Office	13 Schools Division Superintendents
	14 Assistant Schools Division Superintendents
	26 SGOD and CID Chiefs
	13 Division Information Officers
	13 Oplan Balik Eskwela Coordinators
Media Persons	10 Reporters and media staff
Government Agencies	All Government Regional Information Officers



4. The virtual press conference shall be done through the Google Meet. The Information and Communications Technology Unit (ICTU) shall assist in admitting the participants to the virtual press conference. The SDOs shall send the list of email addresses of the participants to pau.region8@deped.gov.ph on or before September 30, 2020.
5. The participants who will attend the virtual press conference are expected to strictly follow the Teleconferencing Guidelines set by the Office while those who attend in the face-to-face press conference shall strictly observe the minimum health standards/protocol set by the Department of Health.
6. All expenses incurred relative to the conduct of the activity shall be charged against local funds subject to usual accounting the auditing procedures.
7. Further, all concerns relative to Oplan Balik Eskwela shall be coursed through Ms. Jasmin F. Calzita of the Public Affairs Unit through 09166425837 and 09209385489.
8. Immediate dissemination of and strict compliance with this memorandum are desired.

  
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Director IV

Enclosures: None

References: DepEd Order No. 7, s. 2020 To be indicated in the Perpetual Index under the following subjects:

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