



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

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REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

No. **00-865**, s. 2021

TERMINATION ON THE USE OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS AS COVID-19 ISOLATION/ QUARANTINE FACILITIES AND OTHER RELATED CONCERNS

To: Schools Division Superintendents
 Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads
 All Others Concerned

- The President has approved the joint proposal of DepEd and DOH for the conduct of pilot face-to-face classes in 120 public/private schools nationwide.
- Relatively, all public schools have been mandated to conduct a self-assessment using the School Safety Assessment Tool (SSAT) in preparation for the expansion phase and onward transitioning to new normal face-to-face, to determine the level of readiness based on its results. For schools with substantial gaps, the Schools Division Offices shall provide assistance to address the gaps and improve readiness.
- Anent to this, all public elementary and secondary schools used as COVID-19 isolation/quarantine facilities and other related concerns shall be given until the end of December 2021 only to terminate the utilization. Hence, further requests from the LGUs shall be denied for the said purpose, thereafter.
- However, schools identified as pilot in the implementation of face-to-face classes on November 15, 2021 shall be vacated the soonest possible time.
- The Schools Division Offices are hereby enjoined to monitor the status of the schools, conduct an inventory, and submit *Report on the List of Schools Used as COVID-19 Facilities* (to date) on or before November 2, 2021, attention: The Chief, Education Support Services Division (ESSD) through essd.region8@deped.gov.ph.
- Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum is desired.


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Enclosures: None
 References: DM #71, s.2021 (October 18, 2021) and OUA Memo 00-1021-0118 (October 13, 2021)
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