



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

February 13, 2023

**REGIONAL MEMORANDUM**

No. **127**, 2023

**CONDUCT OF A COORDINATION MEETING BETWEEN DEPED FIELD OFFICES  
AND THEIR PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE COUNTERPARTS  
RE: REPORTS OF SCHOOL VIOLENCE**

To: Schools Division Superintendents  
All Others Concerned

1. Attached is Memorandum OUOPS No. 2023-04-0920, dated February 1, 2023 from Atty. Revsee A. Escobedo, Undersecretary for Operations, requiring the DepEd Field Offices to conduct coordination meetings with their Philippine National Police (PNP) counterparts relative to the reports of school violence.
2. The agendum is to identify schools needing spot inspections of weapons among learners and personnel and to request the PNP to provide technical assistance to schools on the conduct of this activity.
3. The objective of this is to prevent learners, school personnel and all those coming inside the school premises from carrying deadly weapons and illegal substances.
4. The concerned schools shall be required to submit reports of their action relative to this communication to the Schools Division Office (SDO), and in turn, the consolidated report of the SDO shall be forwarded to the Regional Office through the Education Support Services Division (ESSD) through the email address [eden.dadap001@deped.gov.ph](mailto:eden.dadap001@deped.gov.ph) following this format SDONAME\_InspectionReportinSchools.
5. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum are desired.

**EVELYN R. FETALVERO, CESO IV**  
Regional Director

Enclosures: As stated

References: As stated

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index under the following subjects:

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**MEMORANDUM**

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**TO : ALL REGIONAL DIRECTORS  
 MINISTER, BASIC, HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION  
 ALL SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS**

**FROM : Atty. REVSEE A. ESCOBEDO**  
*Undersecretary*  
 Operations

**SUBJECT : Conduct of a Coordination Meeting between DepEd Field  
 Offices and their Philippine National Police Counterparts  
 Re: Reports of School Violence**

**DATE : February 1, 2023**

The Department of Education (DepEd) through the Office of the Undersecretary for Operations (OUOps) highlights the right of every learner to protection against all forms of violence, abuse, neglect, cruelty, exploitation, and maltreatment, as enshrined in the 1987 Philippine Constitution.

Thus, DepEd Order No. 40, s. 2012, otherwise known as the “DepEd Child Protection Policy” was issued as a reiteration of the agency’s zero tolerance policy for any act of child exploitation, discrimination, violence and other forms of abuse.

With this, **all regions and divisions are instructed to conduct a coordination meeting with their Philippine National Police (PNP) counterparts regarding petty crimes, self-harm, stabbing, and bullying incidents in schools.**

The agenda is to identify which schools require spot inspections of weapons among learners and personnel. The said spot inspection shall be conducted by school personnel. The PNP shall only provide technical assistance to schools on how this activity shall be conducted. The concerned schools shall be required to submit reports of their action.

Overall, this is a strategy to prevent carrying of deadly weapons and illegal substances inside the school premises.

For your immediate and appropriate action.

Thank you.