



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

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REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

No. **788** s. 2026

STRENGTHENED IMPLEMENTATION OF SCHOOL SAFETY AND SECURITY MEASURES AND STRICT OBSERVANCE OF DEPED ORDER NO. 006, s. 2026, (GUIDELINES ON ENSURING A SAFE AND MOTIVATING LEARNING ENVIRONMENT)

To: Schools Division Superintendents
All Others Concerned

1. Pursuant to the need to reinforce school safety following the recent shooting incident that occurred in one of our schools and the reported threats of violence against several schools within the Region, this Office hereby directs all public schools to strengthen the implementation of school safety and security measures. School Heads shall ensure the adoption and strict observance of, but not limited to, the following:
 - i. Regulation of visitors and access to school premises;
 - ii. Inspection of bags and other personal belongings for prohibited and dangerous items;
 - iii. Implementation of emergency preparedness, crisis response and evacuation measures;
 - iv. Installation of Closed-Circuit Television (CCTV) in strategic areas of the school campus;
 - v. Construction or improvement of perimeter fences or other appropriate security barriers to secure school premises.
2. This Office likewise reiterates the strict observance and implementation of DepEd Order No. 006 s. 2026 also known as the *Guidelines on Ensuring a Safe and Motivating Learning Environment*. School Heads shall ensure the proper dissemination and cascading of the provisions of the said Order to all teaching and non-teaching personnel, learners, parents and other stakeholders. All provisions requiring appropriate action shall be strictly complied with.
3. To prevent and address incidents of bullying that may adversely affect the safety, well-being, and mental health of learners, all schools are likewise directed to strictly implement the Revised Implementing Rules and Regulations of Republic Act No. 10627, otherwise known as the *Anti-Bullying Act of 2013*, approved on August 1, 2025. Schools shall ensure the establishment and effective implementation of school-based mechanisms for the prevention, reporting, investigation, and resolution of bullying incidents.
4. This Office shall conduct random monitoring and validation activities to assess school's compliance with the provisions of this Memorandum, DepEd

Order No. 006, s. 2026 and other related issuances on learner protection, school safety, and security.

5. Immediate dissemination and compliance with this Memorandum are desired.

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Enclosures: As stated
References: None

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

RA10627 ESMLE Bullying Learner's Rights

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