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October 12, 2026

DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. 529, s. 2026

**DISSEMINATION OF THE OBSERVANCE OF THE NATIONAL
SCHOOL SAFETY WEEK**

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chief ES -SGOD & CID
Education Program Supervisor-Values Education
OIC-Public Schools District Supervisors
Secondary Lead Principal
All Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads
Division Learner Rights and Protection Focal
All others concerned

1. Pursuant to the Memorandum from the Office of the DepEd Secretary dated October 9, 2026 titled Observance of the National School Safety Week and Regional Memorandum No. 1356, s. 2026 dated October 12, 2026, all public elementary and secondary schools shall implement the **"National School Safety Week" on October 12-16, 2026**, to promote safe, inclusive, and supportive learning environments for all learners in both physical and virtual settings.
2. Schools shall document the conduct of their activities and submit the required accomplishment reports and supporting documentation **on or before October 21, 2026**. The accomplishment report must be scanned and uploaded through this link: <https://tinyurl.com/SchoolSafetyWeekReport>.
3. Expenses incurred in the implementation of the activities may be charged against available and appropriate funds, including school Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses (MOOE), subject to existing budgeting, accounting, auditing, and procurement laws, rules, and regulations.
4. Kindly refer to the attached memorandum for more provisions and guidelines on the implementation of the National School Safety Week.
5. Immediate dissemination and compliance of this memorandum is desired.

MARIA-MAGNOLIA F. BRIOSO, CESO VI
OIC-Schools Division Superintendent



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Department of Education
REGION V - BICOL



12 October 2026

REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

No. 01356 s. 2026

OBSERVANCE OF THE NATIONAL SCHOOL SAFETY WEEK

To : Schools Division Superintendents
Assistant Schools Division Superintendents
Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads
Private School Administrators/Principals
All Other Concerned

1. Attached is the Memorandum from Hon. Sonny M. Angara, Secretary of the Department of Education, dated October 9, 2026, regarding the **Observance of the National School Safety Week** on **October 12-16, 2026**, for the information and guidance of all concerned.
2. This Office, through the Education Support Services Division (ESSD), shall provide the necessary technical assistance to the Schools Division Offices (SDOs) and monitor the implementation of the prescribed activities. Private schools are likewise encouraged to participate in the observance of the National School Safety Week. The SDOs shall consolidate the reports submitted by public schools and Community Learning Centers (CLCs) and submit a consolidated accomplishment report, together with the required supporting documentation, using the prescribed template attached as Annex A to this Memorandum within fifteen (15) calendar days after the observance. Reports shall be submitted to lrp.rov@deped.gov.ph.
3. Immediate dissemination of and strict compliance with this Memorandum are hereby desired.


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Regional Director

ESSD-SPPS-LRP/srnsd
10/12/26



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Annex A

CONSOLIDATED DIVISION ACCOMPLISHMENT REPORT Observance of the National School Safety Week October 12-16, 2026

I. DIVISION PROFILE

- Region: _____
- Schools Division Office (SDO): _____
- Total Number of Public Elementary Schools: _____
- Total Number of Public Secondary Schools: _____
- Total Number of Private Elementary Schools: _____
- Total Number of Private Secondary Schools: _____
- Total Number of Community Learning Centers (CLCs): _____
- Total Number of Reporting Schools / CLCs: _____ out of _____
(____% Turnout)
- Total Enrolment Reached (Public): Male: _____ | Female: _____ |
Total: _____
- Total Enrolment Reached (Private): Male: _____ | Female: _____ |
Total: _____

II. SUMMARY OF SCHOOL-LEVEL IMPLEMENTATION & ACTIVITIES

Indicate the total number and percentage of schools/CLCs that successfully conducted the core activities:

Core Activity / Requirement	No. of Schools / CLCs Implemented	Percentage (%)
Simultaneous Opening Flag Ceremony & Stakeholder Mobilization	_____	_____%
Recitation of the <i>Panata para sa Ligtas, Inklusibo, at Maalagang Paaralan</i>	_____	_____%
Signing of the School Safety Commitment Wall (Annex A)	_____	_____%
Integration of Safety Lessons (HGP, GMRC, VE)	_____	_____%
Introduction & Rollout of the "My Buddy System"	_____	_____%

III. SUMMARY OF STAKEHOLDER PARTICIPATION & PARTNERSHIPS

Consolidated data on participating stakeholders and partner agencies across all schools in the division:

Stakeholder / Partner Category	Total Number of Participants Involved	Key Agencies / Local Units Engaged
Parents and Guardians	_____	_____
Barangay Officials & Health Workers (BHWs)	_____	Barangay LGUs
Local Government Units (LGUs)	_____	City/Municipal LGUs
National Line Agencies & Partners	_____	DILG, DSWD, DOH, DICT, CICC, PhilHealth, BFP, PNP
Teachers and School Personnel	_____	_____
Learners	_____	_____

IV. HIGHLIGHTS OF DIVISION-WIDE IMPLEMENTATION

Provide a brief qualitative summary based on school reports:

1. **Integration of Curriculum & Safety Lessons (Bullying prevention, digital citizenship, disaster/fire preparedness, and reporting channels):**

[Summarize how schools integrated safety topics into HGP, GMRC, and VE, and utilized the provided digital literacy resources]

2. **Implementation and Contextualization of the "My Buddy System":**

[Summarize how schools designed and executed peer support strategies, peer pairing, and small groups tailored to their local operational capacities]

V. ISSUES, CHALLENGES, AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROVIDED

- **Common Challenges Encountered by Schools:**

[e.g., logistical constraints, scheduling, remote area coordination]

• **Technical Assistance Provided by the SDO (via LRP):**

[Describe monitoring efforts, guidance issued, and support provided by the Learner Rights and Protection Focal Person]

VI. ATTACHED DOCUMENTS CHECKLIST

The following supporting documents from district/ school submissions are consolidated and attached to this report:

- [] Consolidated School-Level Accomplishment Summaries
- [] Documentation of Division-Wide Partner Participation
- [] Photo Documentation Collages (Flag ceremonies, commitment walls, peer buddy activities)

Prepared by:

Signature Over Printed Name

Division Learner Rights and Protection (LRP) Focal Person

Date: _____

Signature Over Printed Name

Division Disaster Risk Reduction and Management (DRRM) Coordinator

Date: _____

Recommending Approval:

Signature Over Printed Name

Chief, Schools Governance Operations Division (SGOD)

Date: _____

Signature Over Printed Name

Chief, Curriculum and Implementation Division (CID)

Date: _____

Approved by:

Signature Over Printed Name

Schools Division Superintendent (SDS)

Date: _____

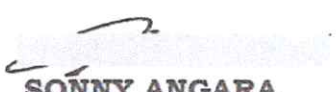
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Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

MEMORANDUM

TO : Undersecretaries
Assistant Secretaries
Bureau and Service Directors
Regional Directors
Schools Division Superintendents
Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads
All Others Concerned

FROM : 
SONNY ANGARA
Secretary

SUBJECT : **Observance of the National School Safety Week**

DATE : October 9, 2026

1. The Department of Education (DepEd) shall observe the **National School Safety Week** on **October 12-16, 2026**, in all public elementary and secondary schools and Community Learning Centers (CLCs) nationwide. Consistent with DepEd Order No. 006, s. 2026, or the Guidelines on Ensuring a Safe and Motivating Learning Environment (ESMLE), the observance shall strengthen prevention mechanisms against learner rights protection concerns, enhance awareness of school safety protocols, and promote active stakeholder participation in maintaining safe, inclusive, protective, and conducive learning environments for all learners.

2. The National School Safety Week shall commence with a simultaneous flag ceremony on Monday, October 12, 2026, in all DepEd schools and CLCs. Consistent with the whole-of-society approach under the ESMLE framework, school heads shall invite and facilitate the participation of the following stakeholders:

- a. Parents and guardians;
- b. Barangay officials, including barangay health workers (BHWs);
- c. Local representatives of the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG), Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD), Department of Health (DOH), Department of Information

and Communications Technology (DICT), Cybercrime Investigation and Coordinating Center (CICC), Philippine Health Insurance Corporation (PhilHealth), Bureau of Fire Protection (BFP), and Philippine National Police (PNP).

The flag ceremony may include brief messages from the school head and participating partner agencies on their respective roles in promoting learner safety and fostering safe, inclusive, and supportive learning environments in both physical and virtual settings. This shall be followed by the recitation of the ***Panata para sa Ligtas, Inklusibo, at Maalagang Paaralan*** and the signing of the **School Safety Commitment Wall (Annex A)**.

3. Teachers are instructed to integrate school safety lessons through the Homeroom Guidance Program (HGP), Good Manners and Right Conduct (GMRC), and Values Education (VE). The lessons shall be age-appropriate and may cover the following:

- a. Learners' rights and the prevention of bullying, violence, abuse, and gender-based harassment;
- b. Responsible digital citizenship and online safety;
- c. Disaster preparedness, fire safety, and health and hygiene practices;
- d. School-based reporting and referral mechanisms, including the Child Protection Committee (CPC) and Learner Formation Officer; and
- e. Access to emergency hotlines, including 911, 1383 (MAKABATA Helpline), 1553 (NCMH Crisis Hotline), and (02) 8632-1372 (Learners' Telesafe Contact Center Helpline).

Relevant learning resources are available through:
<https://tinyurl.com/BLDHubSELDigitalLiteracy>

4. The National School Safety Week shall also introduce the **My Buddy System**, a peer support strategy that pairs learners, or organizes them into small peer groups, to provide support, guidance, and companionship. The initiative aims to help learners feel welcome, included, and more confident in participating in school life.

The Department, through the Bureau of Learner Support Services, shall conduct an orientation for school heads on the design, safeguards, and implementation arrangements of the My Buddy System. In this regard, school heads are directed to:

- a. **Provide guideposts on program implementation.** Issue clear guidance and direction to school personnel and learners on how to carry out the My Buddy System effectively; and

- b. **Contextualize implementation.** Adapt and execute the My Buddy System taking into consideration the unique situations, needs, and operational capacities of their respective schools.

5. Regional offices, through the Learner Rights and Protection Section (LRPS), shall disseminate this Memorandum to the schools division offices (SDOs), provide the necessary technical assistance, and monitor the implementation of the activities. The SDOs shall consolidate the reports submitted by schools and CLCs and submit a consolidated accomplishment report, with supporting documentation, to the Learner Rights and Protection Division (LRPD) within fifteen (15) calendar days after the observance.

6. Expenses incurred in the conduct of the activities under this Memorandum shall be charged against available and appropriate funds, including school Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses (MOOE), subject to existing budgeting, accounting, auditing, and procurement laws rules and regulations.

7. Immediate dissemination of and strict compliance with this Memorandum is directed.

Annex A

PANATA NG BUONG KOMUNIDAD PARA SA MAS LIGTAS NA PAARALAN

Bilang bahagi ng isang nagkakaisang komunidad,
buong puso kaming nangangakong pangangalagaan ang bawat bata
at itataguyod ang kanilang kaligtasan, kalusugan, at kapakanan.

Nangangako kaming itaguyod ang mga paaralang ligtas, mapagkalinga, at
gumagalang sa dignidad at karapatan ng bawat bata.

Maninindigan kami laban sa bullying, karahasan, diskriminasyon, at
anumang uri ng pang-aabuso.

Pakikikingan namin ang mga bata, igagalang ang kanilang tinig, at tutugon
sa kanilang mga pangangailangan at hinaing.

Gagabayan at poprotektahan namin ang mga bata laban sa anumang
panganib, sa loob man o labas ng paaralan.

Taglay ang diwa ng malasakit at pagkakaisa, nangangako kaming
magtutulongan at sama-samang kikilos, sapagkat ang kaligtasan at
kapakanan ng bawat bata ay pananagutan nating lahat.

Para sa bawat batang ligtas, malusog, at panatag ang kalooban.

Para sa bawat batang malayang matuto, umunlad, at mangarap.

Ito ang aming panata. Ito ang aming pananagutan.

The **School Safety Commitment Wall template** may be accessed through
the following link: <https://tinyurl.com/CommitmentTarp>