



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
Region VIII
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF TACLOBAN CITY

February 2, 2023

DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. 052, s. 2023

REITERATION AND CLARIFICATION ON THE PROVISIONS OF DEPED ORDER NO. 37, S. 2022: GUIDELINES ON THE CANCELLATION OR SUSPENSION OF CLASSES AND WORK IN SCHOOLS IN THE EVENT OF NATURAL DISASTERS, POWER OUTAGES/POWER INTERRUPTIONS, AND OTHER CALAMITIES

To: All Public Schools District Supervisors
Division DRRM Officer
All Public School Heads
All Public School DRRM Coordinators
All Others Concerned

1. Pursuant to Regional Memorandum No. 098, s. 2023 dated January 31, 2023 and in response to the clamors and confusion in the field regarding the provisions of DepEd Order No. 37, s. 2022, re: Guidelines on the Cancellation or Suspension of Classes and Work in Schools in the event of Natural Disasters, Power Outages/Power Interruptions, and other Calamities, this Office, through the Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Service (DRRMS), clarifies some gray areas of the guidelines, to wit:

a. Typhoon

In-person, online classes and work from Kindergarten to Grade 12 and Alternative Learning System (ALS) are automatically cancelled in schools situated areas with Tropical Cyclone Wind Signals (TCWS) 1 to 5 as determined by the Philippine Atmospheric, Geophysical, and Astronomical Services Administration (PAGASA). **Schools shall need not to wait for further advisories coming from the Division Office or the Local Chief Executive (LCE) regarding the cancellation of classes and work in schools.**

b. Heavy Rainfall and Flood

In-person, online classes and work from Kindergarten to Grade 12 and Alternative Learning System (ALS) are automatically cancelled in schools situated in specific areas issued with Orange and Red Rainfall or Flood Warnings by PAGASA. **No further advisories required coming from the Division Office or the Local Chief Executive (LCE) regarding the cancellation of classes and work in schools.**



c. All other provisions and reportorial requirements of the above-mentioned DepEd Order shall remain enforced.





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2. In all impending calamities, schools are required to safe keep their facilities to mitigate the impact of the said event.
3. In all matters relative to the suspension and cancellation of classes and work, this Division's utmost consideration is the safety of all the learners and DepEd personnel. Hence, the school heads should have to exercise sound discretion and discernment.
4. The DepEd Order No. 37, s. 2022 supplemented by the official advisory coming from the incident monitoring bodies; the Philippine Atmospheric, Geophysical, and Astronomical Services Administration (PAGASA), Philippines Institute of Volcanology and Seismology (PHILVOCS), and other National Government Agencies (NGAs) are the documentary attachments needed for the accomplishment of the Daily Time Record (DTR) in the absence of Executive Orders issued by the Local Chief Executives (LCE).
5. In the matter of cancelled or suspended classes, modular distance learning and other learning delivery adjustments shall be implemented to ensure that learning competencies are still met.
8. For more information and any concerns, you may contact the **SDO Tacloban City – Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Service** through the Division DRRM, Safety and Health Officer II/Fire Safe Marshal CRISVILL M. VILLAMOR at 09173153290 or email at crisvill.villamor@deped.gov.ph.
9. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum are desired.


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