



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
REGION VII – CENTRAL VISAYAS
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF NEGROS ORIENTAL

Office of the Schools Division
Superintendent

30 SEP 2022


DIVISION MEMORANDUM

NO. 749, s. 2022

**DISSEMINATION OF REGIONAL MEMORANDUM NO. 0812, S. 2022, TITLED:
REMINDING ALL SCHOOL HEADS OF THE DEPED ORDER NO. 7, S. 2006, TITLED:
“REITERATING THE PROHIBITION OF THE PRACTICE OF HAZING AND THE
OPERATION OF FRATERNITIES AND SORORITIES IN ELEMENTARY AND
SECONDARY SCHOOLS”**

**To : Assistant Schools Division Superintendent/s
Chiefs, CID and SGOD
Education Program Supervisors/Division Coordinators
Public Schools District Supervisors/District-In-Charge
Heads, Public and Private Elementary and Secondary Schools
Teaching and Non-Teaching Personnel
All Others Concerned**

1. For the information and guidance of all concerned, attached is **REGIONAL MEMORANDUM NO. 0812, S. 2022, TITLED: “REMINDING ALL SCHOOL HEADS OF DEPED ORDER NO. 7, S. 2006, TITLED: “REITERATING THE PROHIBITION OF THE PRACTICE OF HAZING AND THE OPERATION OF FRATERNITIES AND SORORITIES IN ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOL”.**
2. **Attention is invited to Paragraph 4 and 5 in the attached DepEd Order.**
3. For more details, refer to the enclosures of this Memorandum.
4. Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is enjoined.


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Schools Division Superintendent





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REGION VII - CENTRAL VISAYAS

Office of the Regional Director

REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

No. 0, s. 2022


**REMINDING ALL SCHOOL HEADS OF DEPED ORDER NO. 7, S. 2006, ENTITLED
"REITERATING THE PROHIBITION OF THE PRACTICE OF HAZING AND THE
OPERATION OF FRATERNITIES AND SORORITIES IN ELEMENTARY AND
SECONDARY SCHOOLS"**

To: All Schools Division Superintendents
Officers-in-Charge of Schools Divisions
Heads, Public and Private Elementary and Secondary Schools

1. This Office got hold of a printed news article uploaded in Facebook about gangs proliferating in one of our public high schools which resulted to the stabbing of one of our students who was allegedly a member of a rival gang.
2. All concerned are also reminded of DepEd Order No. 7, s. 2006 entitled **"Reiterating the Prohibition of the Practice of Hazing and the Operation of Fraternities and Sororities in Elementary and Secondary Schools"**.
3. Attention is invited to Par. 4 and 5 of this DepEd Order quoted as follows:

"4. School authorities are requested to take a more active role in the prevention of juvenile violence in their respective areas. They are further instructed to coordinate with local units of the Department of Interior and Local Government, the Department of Social Work and Development, and the Philippine National Police in order to monitor and control the proliferation of fraternities, sororities and similar organizations in elementary and secondary schools in their respective areas.

5. Moreover, school authorities are encouraged to promote co-curricular and extra-curricular organizations and activities that can serve as more wholesome and productive alternatives to fraternities, sororities and like organizations.
4. Be guided accordingly.
5. Wide and immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is enjoined.


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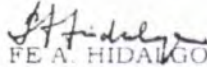
DepED ORDER
No. 7, s. 2006

REITERATING THE PROHIBITION OF THE PRACTICE OF HAZING AND THE
OPERATION OF FRATERNITIES AND SORORITIES IN ELEMENTARY AND
SECONDARY SCHOOLS

To: Bureau Directors
Regional Directors
Schools Division/City Superintendents
Heads, Public and Private Elementary and Secondary Schools

1. In the past years, the Department of Education has released issuances that provide measures for preventing the practice of hazing and prohibit fraternities and sororities in elementary and secondary schools. Department Order No. 6 s. of 1954 prohibits the practice of hazing in schools and imposed sanctions for violations. Department Order No. 20 s. 1991, meanwhile, prohibits the operation of fraternities and sororities in public and private elementary and secondary schools.
2. Furthermore, Republic Act No. 8049 (The Anti-Hazing Act) provides for strict penalties for the conduct of hazing and other initiation rites associated with fraternities, sororities and similar organizations.
3. In view of recent incidences of fraternity-related violence involving high school students and in view of the history of violence associated with these organizations, some of which have resulted to juvenile deaths, the Department of Education reiterates the abovementioned policies regarding fraternities and sororities and the use of hazing and other acts of violence in elementary and secondary schools.
4. School authorities are requested to take a more active role in the prevention of juvenile violence in their respective areas. They are further instructed to coordinate with local units of the Department of Interior and Local Government, the Department of Social Work and Development, and the Philippine National Police in order to monitor and control the proliferation of fraternities, sororities and similar organizations in elementary and secondary schools in their respective areas.
5. Moreover, school authorities are encouraged to promote co-curricular and extra-curricular organizations and activities that can serve as more wholesome and productive alternatives to fraternities, sororities and like organizations.

6. Wide dissemination of and strict compliance with this Order is enjoined.


FE A. HIDALGO
Undersecretary
Officer-in-Charge

Reference: DECS Order: (No. 20, s. 1991)

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March 4, 1991

DECS O R D E R
No. 20, s. 1991

PROHIBITION OF FRATERNITIES AND SORORITIES
IN ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS

To: Bureau Directors
Regional Directors
School Superintendents
Presidents, State Colleges and Universities
Heads of Private Schools, Colleges and Universities
Vocational School Superintendents/Administrators

1. Recent events call attention to unfortunate incidents resulting from initiation rites (hazing) conducted in fraternities and sororities. In some cases, problems like drug addiction, vandalism, alcoholism, racism and other behavior problems in elementary and secondary schools were found to be linked to the presence of and/or the active membership of some public students in such organizations.

2. Although Department Order No. 6, s. 1984 prohibits hazing in schools and imposes sanctions for violations, it does not ban fraternities/sororities in public and private secondary schools.

3. Considering that organizations in elementary and secondary schools are relatively small and students come from the immediate communities served, the presence of fraternities/sororities which serve as socializing agents among pupil/student-peers, is not deemed necessary. On the other hand, interest clubs and co-curricular organizations like the Drama Club, Math Club, Junior Police organization and others perform that same function and in addition develop pupil/student potentials.

4. Effective upon receipt of this Order, fraternities and sororities are prohibited in public elementary and secondary schools. Penalty for non-compliance is suspension of pupil/teachers.

5. Wide dissemination of and strict compliance with this Order is enjoined.

(SGD) ISIDRO S. CARINO
Secretary

References:

Department Orders: Nos. 6, s. 1964 and 71, s. 1975

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