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DIVISION MEMORANDUM

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Public Schools District Supervisors
Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads
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All Others Concerned

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By Authority of the SDS:

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Subject: INTERIM GUIDELINES FOR SCHOOL CANTEEN OPERATIONS FOR
SCHOOL YEAR 2022-2023

Date: October 26, 2022

Attached is the Memorandum from the Office of the Regional Director, Nicolas T. Capulong, PhD, CESO III dated October 21, 2022 regarding the abovementioned subject, contents of which are self-explanatory.

For information and dissemination.

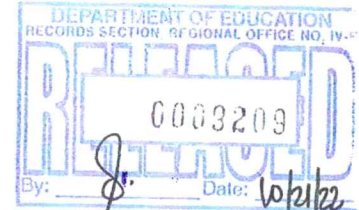
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Office of the Regional Director

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REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

No. 98, s. 2022

**INTERIM GUIDELINES FOR SCHOOL CANTEEN OPERATIONS FOR
SCHOOL YEAR 2022-2023**

To: **SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS**

1. As stated in DepEd Order No. 39 s. 2022 entitled **Health and Safety Protocols in light of the COVID-19 Pandemic** Enclosure Item no.21 "Canteens can operate at full operational capacity". Thus, this Office presents the following health and safety protocols included also in DepEd Order No. 34 s. 2022, "**School Calendar and Activities for the School Year 2022-2023,**" while inside the school canteen:
 - a. Ensure physical distancing when meals are being bought and when eating inside the canteen premises through proper seating arrangement/lay out.
 - b. Ensure proper ventilation through opened doors and windows.
 - c. Availability of fans for ventilation and dispersal of droplets.
 - d. Posting of reminders on proper wearing of face masks when meals are bought/picked up and after eating.
2. In addition to these protocols, 70% alcohol and hand sanitizers should always be available, as well as the presence of functional handwashing facilities near the canteens.
3. Further, DepEd Order no. 8 s. 2007 or the Revised Implementing Guidelines on the Operation and Management of School Canteen in Public Elementary and Secondary Schools emphasizes on the need for sanitary permit and medical certificates of canteen cooks and helpers and the net income shall be utilized accordingly based on the percentage breakdown.
4. Moreover, the guidelines included in DepEd Order no.13 s. 2017 or the Policy and Guidelines on Healthy Food and Beverage Choices in Schools and DepEd Offices stresses that selling of Red Category Foods shall not be allowed, Yellow Category foods shall be served carefully, and Green Category foods should always be available in the canteen.
5. For inquiries and clarifications, you may contact Dr. Maria Anna Irene M. San, Medical Officer IV, Education Support Services Division-School Health and Nutrition Section at email address mimaropa.region@deped.gov.ph.



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6. This interim guideline shall be repealed once the issuance on the Canteen Policy from the Central Office is released.
7. For information and strict compliance.



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Director IV
Regional Director

References:

DepEd Order No. 39 s. 2022
DepEd Order No. 34 s. 2022
DepEd Order no. 8 s. 2007
DepEd Order no.13 s. 2017

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

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