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SCHOOLS DIVISION OFFICE OF MUNTINLUPA CITY

Office of the Schools Division
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MEMORANDUM

**REITERATION OF THE INSTRUCTION FOR DESIGNATION OF LEARNER
FORMATION OFFICER (LFO) AND THE PROVISION OF HANDHELD
METAL DETECTORS TO ALL PUBLIC SCHOOLS AS PART OF THE
REQUIREMENT UNDER DO 006, S. 2026 – ENSURING SAFE
MOTIVATING LEARNING ENVIRONMENT (ESMLE)**

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chief Education Supervisor, Curriculum Implementation Division
Chief Education Supervisor, School Governance and Operations Division
Public and Private Elementary and Secondary School Principals / OICs
All Others Concerned

1. Attached is Memorandum, from Usec. Malcom S. Garma, Undersecretary for Governance and Operations, dated October 13, 2026, on the above-captioned title, the contents of which are self-explanatory, for the information and guidance of all concerned.

2. Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

For:

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By:


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MEMORANDUM

FOR : **ALL REGIONAL DIRECTORS**
ALL SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS
ALL PUBLIC SCHOOL HEADS

FROM :  **MALCOLM S. GARMA**
Undersecretary for Governance and Operations



SUBJECT : **REITERATION OF THE INSTRUCTION FOR THE DESIGNATION OF LEARNER FORMATION OFFICER (LFO) AND THE PROVISION OF HANDHELD METAL DETECTORS TO ALL PUBLIC SCHOOLS AS PART OF THE REQUIREMENTS UNDER DO 006, S. 2026 – ENSURING SAFE AND MOTIVATING LEARNING ENVIRONMENT (ESMLE)**

DATE : October 13, 2026

With reference to the previous instruction for the designation of Learner Formation Officer (LFO) and in line with the Department's continuing efforts to strengthen school safety and security and ensure the protection of all learners under DO,006, 2026 or ESMLE, all Regional Directors are hereby directed to ensure the compliance of their respective Schools Division Offices (SDOs) and schools with the following requirements:

1. **Designation of a Learner Formation Officer** - Ensure that every school designates a Learner Formation Officer who shall oversee and coordinate learner formation initiatives and related learner development and protection activities, consistent with existing DepEd policies and guidelines. The designation shall be formalized through an appropriate issuance, and the designated personnel shall be properly informed of their roles and responsibilities. Based on the latest result of School Safety and Security Audit, only 76% of schools have designated LFOs.
2. **Provision of at Least One (1) Handheld Metal Detector per School** - Ensure that every school has at least one (1) functional handheld metal detector to support the implementation of appropriate school entry screening and other reasonable security measures. Schools shall utilize their available Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses (MOOE), subject to existing budgeting, accounting, auditing, and procurement rules and regulations. Based on the latest result of School Safety and Security Audit, only 47% schools have metal detectors.

All Regional Directors and Schools Division Superintendents are directed to exercise authority and accountability in ensuring that these requirements are implemented consistently across all schools and achieve 100% compliance as soon as possible. Compliance shall form part of the continuing monitoring of school safety and security measures.

For guidance and strict compliance.

For inquiries or further coordination, you may contact the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Governance and Operations - Education Governance and Support Services via email at oaseg@deped.gov.ph or via our active telephone line at 8632-1368.



Outlook

[MEMORANDUM] Reiteration of the Instruction for the Designation of Learner Formation Officer (LFO) and the Provision of Handheld Metal Detectors to All Public Schools as Part of the Requirements Under DO 006, s. 2026, Ensuring Safe and Motivating Learning

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Dear All,

For the information of all concerned, this Office respectfully transmits the attached **Memorandum** titled **Reiteration of the Instruction for the Designation of Learner Formation Officer (LFO) and the Provision of Handheld Metal Detectors to All Public Schools as Part of the Requirements Under DO 006, s. 2026, Ensuring Safe and Motivating Learning**, dated October 13, 2026.

For your guidance and appropriate action.

Thank you.

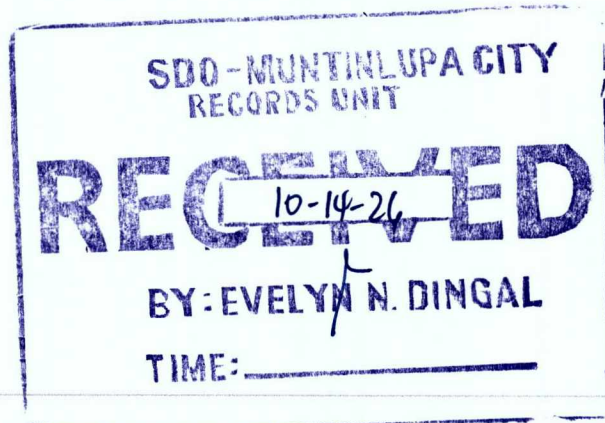
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