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Division Memorandum No: _____ s. 2022

To : Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chief, CID/SGOD
Education Program Supervisors
Public Schools District Supervisors
School Heads Public & Private Elementary and Secondary

School

From : 
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Schools Division Superintendent

Subject : **SUSPENSION OF CLASSES AND REITERATING THE POLICY ON ACADEMIC EASE AND OTHER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES IN THE MIDST OF THE SURGE IN COVID-19 CASES**

Date : **January 17, 2022**

1. Dagupan City was placed under Alert Level 3 to stem the currently continuing surge of COVID-19 attributed to the spread of its Omicron variant. Posted at PIO Dagupan City as of 9:00 PM of January 16, 2022, are fifty (50) new cases for a total of five hundred twenty five (525) active cases and one (1) added death bringing a total death of one hundred seventy seven (177). To date, around one hundred ninety five (195) teachers and eight hundred fifteen (815) learners manifest Covid19 related symptoms.. Our Schools Division Office is doing all the necessary health protocols and reminders to combat this pandemic and make all personnel and staff and all learners in the whole division be safe and properly cared for when infected.
2. To ease the health burden caused by this surge to the physical and mental well being of the school personnel and learners, classes shall be suspended from January 18-25, 2022, to be resumed on January 26, 2022. For the duration of the suspension of classes, it is expected that physical reporting of teachers will be not required by the school heads.
3. To ensure that the delivery of instruction and the number of school days will not be sacrificed, the suspension of classes shall be compensated by Saturday Schedules. School Heads are advised to make necessary mechanisms to compensate the lost contact days to ensure that the number of school days in the current school year remains in accordance with RA 11480 (An act Amending Section 3 of RA No. 7797,

Otherwise known as “An act to Lengthen the School Calendar from Two Hundred (200) Days to Not More than Two Hundred Twenty (220) Class Days”).

4. During the suspension of classes, all synchronous and asynchronous class shall be put on hold while submission of academic requirements and conduct of other teaching related studies must be moved to the later date. For the late submission of requirements, teacher must give considerations for those with valid reasons.
5. Further, the SDO requires schools to continuously implement the suggested Measures to Foster Academic Ease during the COVID-19 Pandemic as stated in OUCI-2020-307 dated October 30, 2020 to ensure flexibility in the teaching-learning process amid the pandemic by recalibrating the strategy of assigning teaching responsibilities and learning activities to safeguard the well-being of both teachers and learners.
6. All SDO personnel and staff, school heads, teachers, and learners are highly encouraged to remain vigilant, observe health and safety protocols and follow IATF guidelines. Everybody is also encouraged to pray for the immediate recovery of those who are infected with the COVID-19 and other illnesses.
7. Immediate dissemination of this memorandum is desired.