



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
Region VI-Western Visayas
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF KABANKALAN CITY

Office of the Schools Division
Superintendent

DIVISION MEMORANDUM

NO. 198, s. 2023

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**REITERATION OF DEPED ORDER NO. 039, S. 2022
(HEALTH AND SAFETY PROTOCOLS IN LIGHT OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC)**

To: OIC-Asst. Schools Division Superintendent
CID & SGOD Chiefs
Public Schools District Supervisors
Public Elementary & Secondary School Heads
All Others Concerned

1. In the interest of the health, safety and well-being of learners and personnel, this Office, reiterates the strict implementation of DepEd Order No. 039, s. 2022, titled *Health and Safety Protocols in Light of the Covid-19 Pandemic*.
2. Relative to this, schools and learning centers are advised to:
 - a) ensure the availability of functional handwashing facilities with soap and conduct group handwashing activities;
 - b) encourage the wearing of face masks for all learners, personnel, and visitors inside the classrooms, laboratories and other school rooms;
 - c) ensure adequate ventilation in enclosed and shared spaces;
 - d) encourage learners, personnel, and visitors in the observance of physical distancing whenever possible;
 - e) set-up a designated isolation room; and
 - f) encourage learners and personnel to get vaccinated since DepEd continues to recognize vaccination as among the most effective strategies for the prevention of COVID-19 infection.
3. All schools and learning centers shall exercise due diligence and take precautionary measures to minimize exposure to risks associated with COVID-19 and support government efforts to contain the spread of the virus.
4. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum are desired.

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