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DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. 19, s. 2019

**TO: CHIEFS OF CID AND SGOD
PUBLIC SCHOOLS DISTRICT SUPERVISORS
SCHOOL HEADS OF PUBLIC AND PRIVATE KINDERGARTEN, ELEMENTARY AND
SECONDARY SCHOOLS**

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**SUBJECT: REITERATION OF DEPED ORDER NO. 20, S. 2018 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS
"AMENDMENT TO DEPED ORDER NO. 47, S. 2016"**

DATE: JANUARY 30, 2019

1. The Department of Education issued DepEd Order No. 20, s. 2018 amending the applicability of DepEd Order No. 47, s. 2016, or the *Omnibus Policy on Kindergarten Education*, to both public and private schools.

2. Kinder and Grade One enrollees in both public and private schools for School Year (SY) 2019-2020 and SY 2020-2021, must adhere to the following provisions;

(1) For SY 2019-2020:

- i. Learners who completed Kindergarten during SY 2018-2019 can enroll in Grade 1, provided that they turn five (5) years old within SY 2018-2019 when they complete Kindergarten;
- ii. Incoming Kindergarten must strictly comply with the cut-off age policy stated in DO No. 47, s. 2016 (*Age qualification for Kindergarten learners in both public and private schools should be five (5) years old by June 1 of every calendar year. However, the school may consider learners entering Kindergarten who will turn five (5) years old by the end of August on the condition that the Philippine Early Childhood Development (ECD) Checklist must be administered to the learner prior to the start of the opening of the school year, to ensure that the learner is capable of meeting the expectations of the grade level*).

(2) For SY 2020-2021:

Both incoming Kindergarten and Grade 1 learners shall strictly comply with the policy as stated under Item VI.15.A of the enclosure to DepEd Order No. 47, s. 2016 or the *Omnibus Policy on Kindergarten Education*.

3. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this memorandum is desired.

References:

DepEd Order (No.47, s. 2016; No. 20, s. 2018)