

Republic of the Philippines

Department of Education

Cordillera Administrative Region Schools Division of Benguet

Date: January 7, 2022

DepEd-Benguet Division

DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. 07, 52022

TO: All School Heads

All Federation of Supreme Student and Pupil Government

All Supreme Student Government and Supreme Pupil Government

All Academic-Related and Co-Curricular Clubs and Organizations

(Teacher-Advisers and Officers)

All Other Concerned

ONKHABAY: KAMUSTAHAN SERIES ON PROMOTING THE IBENGUET LEARNERS' PROTECTION, WELL-BEING, AND ALTERNATIVE LEARNING MODALITIES IN THE NEW NORMAL

- 1. As part of the SDO Benguet Learning Continuity Plan under Pillar 3 on Teachers and School Leaders Upskilling and Reskilling to Improve Competencies- Human Resource Management and Development, the Schools Division of Benguet shall conduct webinars and similar activities on the following themes such as Child Protection, Mental Health and Cyberbullying and Alternative Learning Modalities to ensure the preparedness, readiness, and resiliency amidst the challenges of COVID-19 Pandemic.
- 2. In response to this plan, SDO Benguet through the Schools Governance and Operation Division (SGOD)- Youth Formation initiated an activity entitled, ONKHABAY: Webinar Series on Promoting the Ibenguet Learners' Protection, Well-Being and Leadership Skills in the New Normal in November 2020 in celebration of the National Children's Month (NCM). Onkhabay is an Ibaloi term which means grow vigorously. It aimed to promote Ibenguet learners thrive for excellence in leadership, mental strength and adapt positively to the challenges and demands of in their academic, social and personal lives. Teachers, on the other hand, were also provided with updates and practical information on how to address concerns on child protection, mental health and career guidance relevant to their teaching profession. Invited professional experts were



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invited to talk on their assigned themes and topics to the learners and teachers through online lecture series.

- 3. This year, the Onkhabay, as the Youth Formation banner project will be carried out again but with a different approach, the inclusion of Alternative Learning Modalities and in a form of Kamustahan session series instead of the regular webinar Series will be conducted. The Onkhabay is still aligned with the Celebration of the National Children's Month in November with the theme, New Normal na Walang Iwanan, Karapatan ng Bawat Bata ating Tutukan (NCM, 2021), in its aim to promote the protection of children and their rights.
- 4. The objective of the activity is to:
 - promote the protection and rights of all elementary and high school learners and provide practical support to teachers during the pandemic specifically on Mental Health, Child Protection, and Alternative Learning Modalities.
 - provide practical information and knowledge on strengthening the well-being and resilience of IBenguet learners.
 - provide avenues for learners to air their concerns, issues, and challenges as basis for the inclusion of learners' development programs in the next academic year.
- 5. Participants to this activity are elementary pupils (Grade 4-6) and High School Students (Junior to Senior High School) to be identified by their Teacher-Advisers and parents/guardians.
- 6. Facilitators to this activity will be the following:

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- 7. Teacher-advisers will assist the learners during the registration and will collect the Parent's/Guardian's Consent of the identified learners.
- 8. Participants for session 2 are required to register through this link: https://tinyurl.com/Onkhabay-2. For the next sessions, the registration link will be posted through the DepEd Tayo-Youth Formation Benguet Division FB Page.
- 9. Teacher-adviser can use their communication allowance for their learners' use.
- 10. Schedules and links for the webinar of the activity will be posted through the <u>DepEd</u> Tayo-Youth Formation Benguet Division FB Page.
- 11. For clarifications, questions, or concerns, please email us at: cliftone.bangseil@deped.gov.ph and kenneth.kelcho@deped.gov.ph.
- 12. For information and guidance.

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