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**Department of Education**  
 Schools Division of Benguet

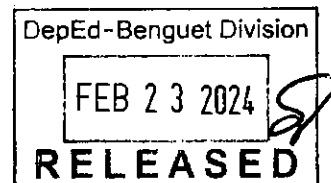
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**DIVISION MEMORANDUM**

No. 59, s. 2024

**REITERATION OF DEPED ORDER NO. 053, S. 2022 AND DEPED POLICY ON THE MAINTENANCE OF CLEAN SCHOOLS**

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent  
 Chiefs, SGOD and CID  
 Public Schools District Supervisors/Districts-in-charge  
 School Heads



1. The Office of the Undersecretary for Operations through Memorandum OM-OUOPS-2024-01-001191, reiterates DepEd Order No. 053, s. 2022 titled *Mandatory Unannounced Earthquake and Fire Drills in Schools* issued on December 9, 2022. Section 4 of the Order states that **“all public schools are hereby required to conduct unannounced earthquake and fire drills every first and third week of every month.”** The directive is pursuant to RA 10121 or *The Philippine Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Act of 2010* that aims to develop disaster management capacities at the individual, organizational, and institutional level; as well as the commitment of the Department of ensuring the safety and well-being of learners and its personnel.

2. Furthermore, compliance with the Department’s Clean School Policy, which is stipulated in Section B.2. of DepEd Order No. 021, s. 2023 is emphasized, to wit;

“Schools shall ensure that school grounds, classrooms and all its walls, and other school facilities are clean and free from unnecessary artwork, decorations, tarpaulin, and posters at all times...Classroom walls shall remain bare and devoid of posters, decorations or other posted materials. **Classrooms should not be used to stockpile materials and should be clear of other unused items or items for disposal.**”

3. As part of the monitoring mechanism in the compliance to the monthly unannounced drills, school heads and/or SDRRM Coordinators are directed to submit their monthly Drill Accomplishment Report through the following Google Form links:

Monthly Unannounced EQ Drill <https://bit.ly/MonthlyEQDrillSY2023-2024>  
 Monthly Unannounced FIRE Drill [https://bit.ly/Monthly-Fire-Drill\\_SY2023-2024](https://bit.ly/Monthly-Fire-Drill_SY2023-2024)

4. For immediate dissemination, guidance, and compliance of all concerned.

  
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**MEMORANDUM**

**OM-OUOPS-2024-01-001191**

**FOR : ALL REGIONAL DIRECTORS  
ALL SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS  
ALL OTHERS CONCERNED**

**FROM : ATTY. REVSEE A. ESCOBEDO**  
*Undersecretary for Operations*

**FRANCIS CESAR B. BRINGAS**  
*Assistant Secretary for Operations*

**SUBJECT : REITERATION OF DEPED ORDER NO. 053, S. 2022 AND DEPED  
POLICY ON THE MAINTENANCE OF CLEAN SCHOOLS**

**DATE : February 15, 2024**

This Office issues this Memorandum to reiterate DepEd Order No. 053, s. 2022 titled *Mandatory Unannounced Earthquake and Fire Drills in Schools* issued on December 9, 2022. Section 4 of the Order states that **“all public schools are hereby required to conduct unannounced earthquake and fire drills every first and third week of every month.”** The directive is pursuant to Republic Act No. 10121 or *The Philippine Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Act of 2010* which aims to develop disaster management capacities at the individual, organizational, and institutional levels; as well as the commitment of the Department of ensuring the safety and well-being of learners and its personnel.

Furthermore, please be also advised of the Department’s Clean Schools Policy, which is stipulated in Section B.2. of DepEd Order No. 021, s. 2023, as follows:

“Schools shall ensure that school grounds, classrooms and all its walls, and other school facilities are clean and free from unnecessary artwork, decorations, tarpaulin, and posters at all times. . . Classroom walls shall remain bare and devoid of posters, decorations or other posted materials. Classrooms should not be used to stockpile materials and should be clear of other unused items or items for disposal.”

All regional and schools division offices are directed to establish their respective monitoring mechanisms and ensure the continuing compliance of schools with the aforementioned policies of the Department.

For wide dissemination and strict compliance.



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