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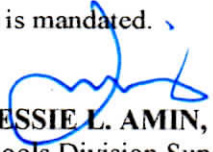
April 23, 2018

DIVISION ORDER
No.: 01, s. 2018

To : Public Schools District Supervisors/Principals In-Charge
Secondary School Heads/Principals
All Others Concerned

**CANCELLATION OF ACADEMIC AND NON-ACADEMIC COMPETITIONS INITIATED
BY THE SCHOOL, DISTRICT, AND DIVISION**

1. Pursuant to the provisions of DepEd Order No. 9, s. 2005 entitled, "*Instituting Measures to Increase Engaged Time-On-Task*," this Office cancels all academic and non-academic competitions initiated by the school, district, and division beginning School Year 2018-2019.
2. This measure aims to avoid disruption of classes so that learners can meet the required number of school days in every school year and the time allotment in the different subjects in every school day by lessening activities that take teachers and/or students away from the classroom.
3. Only DepEd-institutionalized competitions with **regional and national levels** shall be allowed. These contests may be held preferably on **Fridays or on weekends**. Training or practices for these competitions should be **conducted after class hours and class days**
4. Competitions sponsored by non-government entities or those issued through advisories shall no longer be endorsed by this Office.
5. There will be no class suspensions to accommodate school celebrations of important historical events or significant occasions. Discussion of the relevance of these events and occasions such as United Nations Day, School Nutrition Month, Career Guidance Week, Valentine's Day, Reading Month, etc., should be integrated in related subject areas during the regular classroom discussions.
6. Similarly, with regard to national programs which DepEd is expected to support, integration in the regular classroom discussions in related subject areas shall serve as the mode of imparting important messages to the learners.
7. To ensure compliance with this Order, every school is required to prepare its school calendar detailing the day-to-day activities of the prescribed number of school days to be submitted to the Curriculum Implementation Division on or before **May 30, 2018**.
8. Immediate dissemination of and strict compliance with this Order is mandated.


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Schools Division Superintendent

Reference: DepEd Order No. 9, s. 2005
To be indicated in the Perpetual Index
Under the following subjects

CALENDAR SCHOOL
CLASSES

CONTESTS, CELEBRATIONS & FESTIVALS
POLICY