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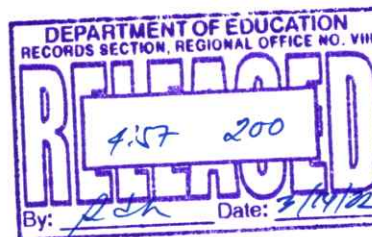
**CONVERSION OF MONTERICO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TO  
 MONTERICO INTEGRATED SCHOOL, ORMOC CITY**

To: Schools Division Superintendents  
 Assistant Schools Division Superintendents  
 All Others Concerned

1. This Department of Education, Regional Office No. VIII announces that the request for **Conversion of Monterico Elementary School to Monterico Integrated School**, Ormoc City, was approved by this Regional Office on February 28, 2022 through administrative fiat pursuant to its expressed authority under Section 5 (B/13) of Chapter 1 of RA No. 9155 (The Governance of Basic Education Act of 2001), after full satisfactory compliance with the requirements prescribed by existing guidelines and policies of the Department.
2. The **Schools Division Superintendent** of the **Division of Ormoc City** is hereby directed to consider this school in budget preparation for its eventual inclusion in the immediately succeeding General Appropriations Act (GAA).
3. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum are desired.

  
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 Regional Director

Enclosures: None  
 References: DepEd Order No. 40, s. 2014  
 DepEd Order No. 71, s. 2003  
 DECS Order No. 91, s. 1999  
 DECS Order No. 5, s. 1989



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**DATE** : February 28, 2022

**TITLE** : **EVALUATION REPORT & RECOMMENDATION FOR THE  
CONVERSION OF MONTERICO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TO  
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### **BACKGROUND**

As stipulated in Article XIV Section 1 of the 1987 Philippine Constitution, which states that, "The state shall protect and promote the right of all citizens to quality education at all levels and shall take appropriate steps to make such education accessible to all". The Department of Education is vested with authority, accountability and responsibility for ensuring access in promoting equity and improving the Quality Basic Education.

Republic Act 9155 for this purpose ensures that schools and learning centers receive the kind of focused attention they deserve and the kind of educational programs, projects and services they need taking into account the interest of all members of the community, thus San Isidro Elementary School has been converted into an integrated school. Compelling grounds such as; school immensely helps the surrounding community to easily access quality education; and improve service delivery and efficiency, made the conversion a success.

Providing quality education has always been the main goal of the Department of Education. Sadly, this is oftentimes a hard to reach goal because of many challenges focused by the department. One of these challenges is providing learners with a favorable learning environment where they can develop full potentials. A favorable learning environment is characterized by enough physical space where learners can move freely and comfortably, a supportive team of education and stakeholders that would boost the learners' intellectual, social, and emotional growth.

Monterico Elem. School is one of the public-school services in Ormoc City and is in Brgy. Monterico, Ormoc City, Leyte. As such, said school caters to school-aged children not only within its immediate catchment area but also to neighboring barangays of the city.

The integration of high school in Barangay Monterico, Ormoc City helps solve the problem regarding the elementary graduates who cannot afford to go to other National High School under Ormoc City Division and likewise building accessible high school in the heart of



the barangay. This will also lessen/ eliminate the case of teenage pregnancy among female elementary graduates.

Thus, conversion of MONTERICO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TO MONTERICO INTEGRATED SCHOOL is being endorsed by the Schools Division Superintendent of Ormoc City Division to the Regional Office for appropriate action.

#### **FINDINGS:**

1. Monterico Elementary School is one of the public schools in Ormoc City School which produces a good number of graduates annually. The percentage of graduates can be a potential number of enrollees for the opening of a secondary school.
2. Monterico Elementary School is a plain community and a strategic place making it an ideal place for education and commerce. The school has the potential to become a center of excellence that offers elementary and secondary education for learners.
3. This school and its proximity can cater the education from the neighboring barangays in terms of quality education.
4. There is already an available area of 10,000 square meters within the campus intended for the opening of the secondary school.
5. The opening of an Integrated School in the barangay will minimize or even cut off the risk of the elementary graduates from traveling to other high school where they are currently enrolled for their secondary education. The realization of this proposed plan will mean less percentage of drop-out among the graduates and at the same time it will drastically reduce the expenses of the parents in sending their children in school.
6. The conversion of Monterico Integrated School could provide a better opportunity to access quality education to children.
7. Proximity from the school site to the different catchment areas based on its location showed that the proposed school is near and a walking distance from the adjacent barangays.
8. The school site is suitable for a secondary school since it is accessible to cater elementary graduates within and the nearby barangays. The majority of the economic status of the families belongs to poverty line which means that most of the parents cannot afford to send their children to private and other high school to pursue their studies.

**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

In view of the foregoing evaluation and findings, the team respectfully recommends that:

1. The established integrated school shall be named **MONTERICO INTEGRATED SCHOOL** and is authorized to operate effective School Year 2022 – 2023.
2. The Schools Division Superintendent shall monitor the operation of Monterico Integrated School.

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