



Republic of the Philippines  
**Department of Education**  
REGION VIII - EASTERN VISAYAS

September 15, 2023

**REGIONAL MEMORANDUM**

No. **984** s.2023

**ADVISORY TO STRICTLY REFER TO DEPED ORDER NO. 21, s. 2023 FOR THE 2023 BRIGADA ESKWELA IMPLEMENTATION GUIDELINES**

To: Schools Division Superintendents  
School Heads  
All Others Concerned

1. In response to the recent Advisory issued by Atty. Revsee A. Escobedo, Undersecretary for Operations, dated September 06, 2023, referencing DepEd Order (DO) 21, s. 2023 titled "Brigada Eskwela Implementing Guidelines," this Office, through the Education Support Services Division (ESSD), informs all Schools Division Superintendents and School Heads to ensure that DepEd personnel strictly refer to DO 21, s. 2023 and its enclosure regarding the nationwide maintenance program.
2. This memorandum is being issued to strongly reiterate that the list of "Things to be removed inside the classroom" claimed to be based on the aforementioned DepEd Order and is circulating on social media is **not official** (please see **Annex A**) and must be disregarded.
3. For the information and guidance of all concerned.

  
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Regional Director

Enclosures: As stated  
References: As stated  
To be indicated in the Perpetual Index under the following subjects:

BRIGADA ESKWELA IMPLEMENTING GUIDELINES

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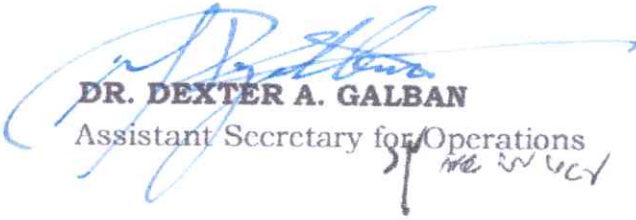
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1. This has reference to **DepEd Order (DO) 21, s. 2023** titled, “*Brigada Eskwela Implementing Guidelines*” dated **August 03, 2023**. The *Brigada Eskwela* (BE) is a nationwide school maintenance program that engages all education stakeholders to contribute their time, efforts, and resources in ensuring that public schools are all set in time for class opening.
2. This advisory is being issued to inform the public that the Department of Education (DepEd) receives reports that a list of “Things to be removed inside the classroom” claimed to be based on the aforementioned DepEd Order is circulating (please see **Annex A**):
3. In this regard, the Office of the Undersecretary for Operations (OUOPS) strongly reiterates that the aforementioned “list” is **not official** and requests that DepEd personnel refer to **DO 21, s. 2023 and its enclosure**.
4. For questions and clarifications, you may contact Dr. Maria Corazon C. Dumlao, Chief Health Program Officer through (02) 8632-9935 or email at [blss.shd@deped.gov.ph](mailto:blss.shd@deped.gov.ph).

  
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**ANNEX A**

**2023 BRIGADA ESKWELA IMPLEMENTATION GUIDELINES**

*(based on DepEd Order No. 21 s. 2023)*

- Classroom walls shall remain bare and devoid of posters, decorations, or other posted materials
- Classroom should not be used to stockpile materials and should be clear of other unused items or items for disposal
- Classroom wall paint should follow the prescribed color

<i>Things to be removed inside the classroom</i>	<i>Suggested things to be displayed inside the classroom</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Unnecessary artwork, decorations, tarpaulin &amp; posters</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bulletin Board (announcements, list of officers, sweep, etc.)</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Oversized signages with commercial advertisements, words of sponsorships, and/or endorsements or announcements of any kind or nature</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Unit Board (Competency for the quarter, LPS)</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Unused modules/LAS, notebooks, books,</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DepEd Mission and Vision, <u>Ang Hiniyang Pinakapalad</u>, <u>Ang Hiniyang Pambansa</u>, <u>Ang Hiniyang Pambayon</u></li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students' projects/ outputs from previous years</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Heroes (optional)</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hanging decorations (attached to the ceiling)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cabinet (1 to 2 only), teachers' table with chair and demo table</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Quotation Posters, Alphabet Posters, DRR Posters (you may post them outside the classroom or office)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Water dispenser &amp; TV (optional)</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Plants, Flowers and/or Plants (you may place them outside the classroom)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Curtains- windows &amp; chalkboard (for windows, use valance)</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Garbage Bin (you may place them outside the classroom)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Image of Jesus/ Cross</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Handwashing Facilities</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Eroom stand</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Unnecessary chairs, tables, appliances, mirrors, pictures/ frames of presidents, etc</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Door Label (attached to doors) with teacher's program and class program</li> </ul>
•	• Attendance chart/ supervisory
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