GUIDELINES ON REVITALIZING SCOUTING IN SCHOOLS REGIONWIDE

To:   Schools Division Superintendents
       Chief Education Supervisors – School Governance and
       Operations Division (SGOD)
       School Heads, Public Elementary and Secondary Schools

1. Scouting is an effective co-curricular program in the leadership and
   value formation of every learner. Its objective is consistent with the
   Department of Education’s mission to develop every learner into well-
   rounded individual with exemplary character.

2. This Office recognizes the significant role of scouting in molding
   learners into responsible and responsive citizens of the country and in
   contributing to the efforts of achieving quality education. As a co-curricular
   program, scouting helps stem away vices and bad influence of drugs and
   peers. As such, participation of every learner in scouting program, activities
   and projects should be highly encouraged and supported in the schools.

3. In support of the Happy Schools Movement (HSM), this Office
   encourages the revitalization of Scouting Program in schools region wide in
   various areas of possible partnership and cooperation consistent with the
   following guidelines:

   3.1 Make every teacher a scout leader. Forge partnership with the
       Boy and Girl Scout Councils for the conduct of trainings, and reduce
       or cut training fees.

   3.2 Integrate scouting in the curriculum and homeroom sessions.
       Conduct life skills, livelihood and basic life support trainings after
       school hours.

   3.3 Promote and conduct school based scouting activities in every
       school. Make every Friday a scouting day and encourage the wearing
       of neckerchiefs in all scouting activities.

   3.4 Carry-out a one-day school based camp. Discourage, however,
       the usage of and bringing of gadgets, i.e, gas stove, dispenser,
       refrigerator and the like. Discourage catering of meals during outdoor
       camp/jamborees.
3.5 Discourage popularity contests in scouting activities.

3.6 Involve or immerse scouts in relevant community services. Community service involvement teaches learners compassion and understanding.

3.7 Promote membership in all schools.

4. The following DepEd issuance on Boy or Girl Scouting is reiterated:

4.1 DepEd Order No. 76, s. 2012 Revitalizing Boy Scouting in Schools Nationwide; and

4.2 DepEd Order No. 86, s. 2012 Revitalizing Girl Scouting in Schools Nationwide.

5. Immediate dissemination of and strict compliance with this Memorandum is desired.

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