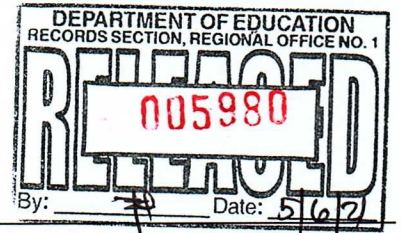




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REGIONAL MEMORANDUM
 No. 409, s. 2021

**REITERATION ON THE PROSCRIPTION OF
 CENTRALIZED PROCUREMENT AND CENSURE OF EXCLUSIVE DISTRIBUTOR
 OF TEXTILE MATERIALS OF DEPED NEW UNIFORM**

To: All Schools Division Superintendents
 Elementary and Secondary School Heads
 Public Elementary and Secondary Teachers
 All Non-Teaching Personnel
 All others concerned

1. This Office received information that there are certain Schools Division Offices which oblige teachers to centrally procure textile materials for DepEd teaching and non-teaching new set of uniforms prescribed for SY 2022-2023.
2. To emphasize, the teaching and non-teaching personnel are free to purchase and obtain uniform materials from any available source that comply with the standards set. The SDOs must refrain from mandating the teachers and non-teaching personnel to adopt a centralized procurement scheme in the context of uniformity across all offices.
3. While employee cooperatives or associations/organizations are encouraged to offer the prescribed DepEd uniform materials to teaching and non-teaching personnel with the consent of the latter, this Office does not in any way endorse, accredit nor authorize any particular supplier as the exclusive distributor of the textile materials for the DepEd uniforms.
4. All concerned are sanctioned to send their issues and concern directly at this Office's Legal Unit or email via lu.region1@deped.gov.ph
5. For strict compliance



[Signature]
TOLENTINO G. AQUINO
 Director IV

Encl.: as stated
 Reference: DepEd Memorandum: (No. 016, s. 2021),
 Regional Memorandum No. 304, s. 2021
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