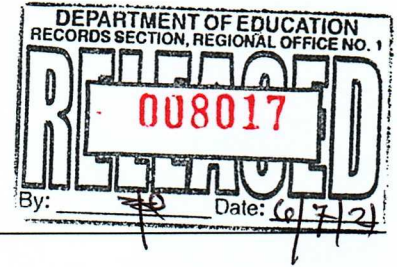




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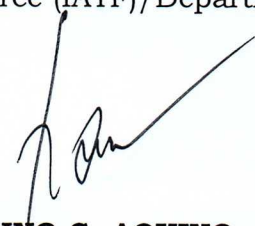
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REGIONAL MEMORANDUM
 No. 550, s. 2021

**2021 PREPAREDNESS MEASURES FOR THE RAINY SEASON
 AMIDST COVID 19**

To: Schools Division Superintendents

1. To ensure the safety of public schools and its assets, the following are to be observed:
 - a. Compliance to DepED Order No. 108, s. 2016 titled Preparedness Measures for the Rainy Season (Attached).
 - b. Under extreme conditions as provided for in RA 10821 (Children's Emergency Relief and Protection Act) can schools be used as secondary evacuation centers. As such, precautionary measures for COVID19 shall be practiced in the Evacuation Centers.
 - c. NO schools shall be used as Evacuation Center and Quarantine Area/Center for COVID19 at the same time. Disinfection of schools shall be done after serving for either purpose.
 - d. In the event that an evacuee in the school manifest COVID19 symptoms, the evacuee shall be transported to the nearest COVID19 Quarantine Area/Center.
2. All activities in compliance with this Memorandum must adhere to the minimum public health standards and Inter-Agency Task Force (IATF)/Department of Health (DOH) protocols.
3. For strict compliance.



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 Director IV

Incl.: As Stated.

Reference: DepED Memorandum No. 108, s.2016
 RA 10821- Children's Emergency Relief and Protection Act
 To be indicated in the Perpetual Index
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No. **108**, s. 2016

PREPAREDNESS MEASURES FOR THE RAINY SEASON

To: Undersecretaries
Assistant Secretaries
Bureau and Service Directors
Regional Directors
Schools Division Superintendents
Public and Private Elementary and Secondary Schools Heads
All Others Concerned

1. The Philippine Atmospheric, Geophysical and Astronomical Services Administration (PAG-ASA) released a statement indicating that the onset of the rainy season associated with the Southwest Monsoon (locally known as the *Habagat*) is now in progress. Meanwhile, weak *El Niño* condition is present in the Tropical Pacific and is expected to end around the month of July though effects will be lingering, while *La Niña* conditions are favored to follow during the second half of 2016.

2. With this, the Department of Education (DepEd) enjoins all schools and field offices to observe **Preparedness Measures for the Rainy Season**. This is to ensure:

- a. increased preparedness and safety of all school personnel and learners; and
- b. safety of school properties, learning materials and vital school records from any possible occurrence of hazards to enable learners' continued access to education.

3. All staff of schools and offices are advised to do the following:

- a. Ensure that school buildings can withstand heavy rain and strong winds. Anchor the facilities built at ground level with guy wires to strengthen the stability of the structure;
- b. Identify a storage area for safekeeping of learning materials, teachers' manuals, vital records and equipment (fax, laptops, computers, photocopiers, TVs, VCRs, among other machines), preferably on an elevated room to ensure protection from rain or flood;
- c. Turn off and unplug electrical equipment and appliances when not in use;
- d. Equip school with first aid kits, flashlights, megaphones, and other necessary supplies that may be needed in times of emergencies. Ensure that these items can be easily located and accessed;
- e. Prepare the classrooms for possible use as evacuation centers and ensure that the staff-in-charge of the keys are accessible;
- f. Regularly conduct school disaster response-drills or simulations;
- g. Post emergency hotline numbers in classrooms and offices;
- h. Update database of student and their family contact details; and
- i. Prepare contingency plan.