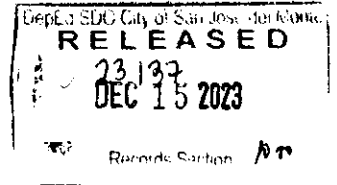




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REGION III

SCHOOLS DIVISION OF CITY OF SAN JOSE DEL MONTE



December 12, 2023

SCHOOLS DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. 477 S. 2023

DISSEMINATION OF RM NO. 674 S. 2023, REITERATION OF GUIDELINES IN CELEBRATION OF CHRISTMAS WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

To: OIC- Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chief Education Supervisors
Public Elementary and Secondary Schoolheads
All Others Concern

1. Attached is RM 674 s. 2023, Reiteration of Guidelines in Celebration of Christmas Within the Department of Education for information, reference and compliance.
2. Immediate dissemination of this memorandum is hereby enjoined.

ERICSON S. SABACAN, EdD, CESO V
Schools Division Superintendent

Encl: As stated
Reference: As stated.
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under the following subjects:
GUIDELINES
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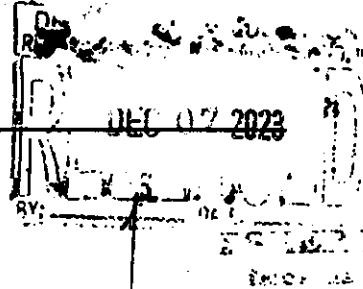
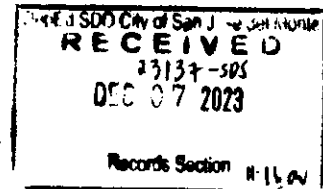
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REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

No. 674, s. 2023

**REITERATION OF GUIDELINES IN THE CELEBRATION OF CHRISTMAS
WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

To: Schools Division Superintendents
Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads
All Others Concerned

1. In line with the upcoming Christmas celebration to be observed in public elementary and secondary schools and offices of the Department of Education in the region, this Office hereby reiterates the provisions stipulated in DepEd Order No. 052 s.2022 titled An Order Providing for the Guidelines in the Celebration of Christmas within the Department of Education.
2. Based on Paragraph 3 of the said issuance, the following guidelines must be observed:
 - a. All Christmas parties, themes, costumes, decoration, and exchange gifts are voluntary. No learner or DepEd personnel should be forced to contribute, participate, or use their money for the celebration;
 - b. No learner shall be excluded from joining the Christmas celebration by reason of their failure to give the voluntary contribution or absence of a prepared gift;
 - c. Celebrations in schools and in DepEd offices, as far as practicable, should be simple yet meaningful. Christmas party themes should not result to expenses that will become a burden on parents, students, and DepEd personnel;
 - d. Contributions for celebrations in schools or offices, whether in cash or in kind, should strictly be voluntary;
 - e. Old Christmas decors should be recycled, purchase of new decors are not encouraged. No learner or DepEd personnel will be required to make decors specifically for a party;
 - f. Christmas parties in schools may be organized within class hours so long as it does not interfere with the scheduled lesson plans intended to be taught to students;



- g. The conduct of Christmas get-togethers and other similar year-end activities should not compromise the provision of departmental services;
 - h. Gift-giving should be guided by the spirit of sharing and should not lead to extravagant spending;
 - i. DepEd personnel should be reminded that solicitations, whether in cash or in kind, are not allowed for Christmas parties or holiday celebrations.
3. Immediate dissemination of and strict compliance with these guidelines is directed.

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Regional Director

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December 6, 2023