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DIVISION MEMORANDUM

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DISSEMINATION OF THE MEMORANDUM ON THE REMINDER ON THE RESPONSIBLE USE OF SOCIAL MEDIA BY ALL DEPED PERSONNEL

TO: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
CID Chief Education Supervisor
SGOD Chief Education Supervisor
Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads
All Teaching, Teaching-Related and Non-Teaching Personnel
All Others Concerned

1. In view of the attached **Memorandum dated August 11, 2026** issued by the Office of the Secretary, Department of Education, entitled **"Reminder on the Responsible Use of Social Media by All DepEd Personnel,"** all concerned personnel in the Schools Division of Lanao del Norte are hereby directed to take note of, disseminate, and observe the provisions contained therein.

2. The attached issuance reiterates existing Department policies emphasizing the following key points:

- **Professionalism and Sound Judgment:** All DepEd personnel must exercise appropriate professional judgment and prudence in their online activities, whether in a personal capacity or in connection with official functions, particularly when content involves learners, classroom activities, or school premises.
- **Compliance with Existing Issuances:** Full adherence to **DO No. 049, s. 2022** (Amendments to DO No. 047, s. 2022 on Professionalism), **DO No. 006, s. 2026** (Guidelines on Ensuring a Safe and Motivating Learning Environment), and **DO No. 007, s. 2026** (Media Management Guidelines) is required.
- **Protection of Learner Rights:** Personnel must protect learners' privacy, maintain professional boundaries, and strictly prevent the unauthorized use, access, or disclosure of learners' Personally Identifiable Information (PII) on social media platforms.

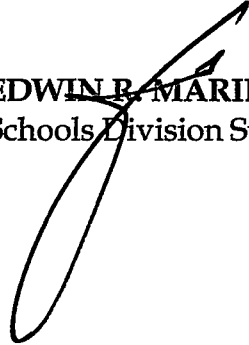


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3. Public Schools District Supervisors, School Heads and Office Heads are directed to ensure that the contents of the attached Memorandum are fully disseminated, discussed, and strictly observed by all personnel under their supervision during school/office conferences or LAC sessions.

4. Immediate and wide dissemination of, and strict compliance with this Memorandum is directed.


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Schools Division Superintendent

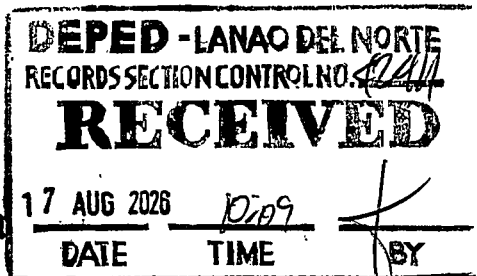
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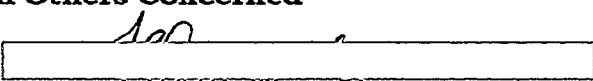


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MEMORANDUM

TO : Undersecretaries
Assistant Secretaries
Bureaus and Service Directors
Regional Directors
Schools Division Superintendents
Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads and Teachers
All Others Concerned

FROM : 
ATTY. FATIMA LIPP D. PANONTONGAN
Undersecretary and Chief of Staff
Office of the Secretary

SUBJECT : **Reminder on the Responsible Use of Social Media by All DepEd Personnel**

DATE : August 11, 2026

1. This Office has received reports of social media posts involving teachers and other school personnel that may not be consistent with the standards of professionalism expected of DepEd personnel. These reports highlight the need to exercise appropriate judgment and responsibility in the use of social media, particularly where online activities involve learners, classroom activities, school premises, or otherwise arise from the performance of official functions.
2. In view thereof, this Office deems it appropriate to reiterate existing Department of Education (DepEd) policies on the responsible use of social media and the standards of conduct expected of all DepEd personnel in their online activities, whether undertaken in their personal capacity or in connection with the performance of their official functions.
3. DepEd Order (DO) No. 049, s. 2022, or the Amendments to DO No. 047, s. 2022 (Promotion of Professionalism in the Implementation and Delivery of Basic Education Programs and Services), was issued to further strengthen professionalism within the Department and expressly introduced additional provisions on the responsible use of social media. Under the same Order, DepEd officials and employees are expected to treat learners and stakeholders with the **highest degree of professionalism, skill, and excellence**, respect the rights of others, and desist from acts that may compromise their integrity as government employees or the honor of DepEd.
4. These standards expressly extend to the use of social media. DO 049, s. 2022 requires employees and officials to consider the legal restrictions imposed by existing laws, rules, and DepEd issuances in their use of social media, whether for personal

8. Taken together, these policies underscore that DepEd personnel must exercise appropriate professional judgment in creating and sharing social media content, particularly where it involves learners or classroom activities. While discussions of current events and public matters may serve legitimate educational purposes, personnel should refrain from repurposing such activities or learners' participation for personal social media content in a manner that may compromise their professional responsibilities or expose learners to unwarranted public scrutiny, ridicule, harassment, or controversy.

9. DO 007, s. 2026, or the Media Management Guidelines, is likewise instructive. While the Guidelines generally do not address the personal use of social media by DepEd personnel, they recognize that personal social media accounts may nevertheless be subject to regulation when they appear to contain official DepEd communications or adversely affect the image, reputation, or functions of DepEd, its officials, employees, or personnel.³

10. In view of the foregoing, all DepEd personnel are reminded to exercise professionalism, prudence, and sound judgment in their use of social media, whether for personal purposes or in connection with the performance of their official functions. In particular, personnel are expected to maintain appropriate professional boundaries with learners and ensure that social media content involving learners, classroom activities, or school premises is consistent with legitimate educational purposes and the professional and ethical responsibilities of DepEd personnel.

11. Immediate dissemination of this Order is directed.

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³ Department of Education DO 007, s. 2026. Section II.