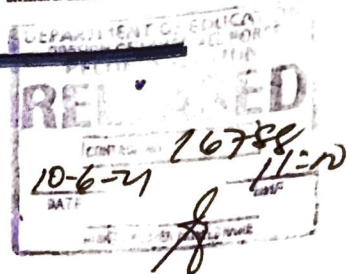




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**DIVISION MEMORANDUM**

No. 491 s. 2021

**TO: PUBLIC SCHOOLS DISTRICT SUPERVISORS  
COORDINATING PRINCIPALS  
SECONDARY SCHOOL HEADS  
ALL OTHERS CONCERNED  
This Division**

**FROM: EDILBERTO L. OPLENARIA, CESO V**  
Schools Division Superintendent

**DATE: OCTOBER 5, 2021**

**SUBJECT: DISSEMINATION OF THE OFFICIAL STATEMENT ON THE "ONLINE KOPYAHAN"**

1. The field is hereby informed of the Official Statement of the Department of Education with regard to "Online Kopyahan".
2. Attached is the copy of the Regional Advisory for reference.
3. Immediate and wide dissemination of this memorandum is highly enjoined.



Office of the Regional Director

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**Regional Advisory No. 121, s. 2021**

October 1, 2021

This Advisory is for the information of DepEd Officials,  
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In the Official Statement, everyone is enjoined to "remain steadfast in  
protecting our shared goal of nurturing holistically developed learners by  
making the home and school as enabling environments for character  
development."

Immediate and wide dissemination of this Advisory is desired.

  
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# OFFICIAL STATEMENT



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The Department does not tolerate the perpetuation of cheating regardless of the learning delivery modality. We are now exhausting all possible means to put a stop to these activities. We have already sought the assistance of social media companies to ban these groups and prevent similar attempts of academic dishonesty that promote laziness, irresponsibility, and instant gratification.

The Department has designed SLMs to help our learners keep track of their progress, and their responses provide information about how well they understood a lesson before proceeding to the next. Although these activities are not graded, learners are encouraged to demonstrate what they can and cannot do without feeling obligated to always get it right. Mistakes are understandable in the learning process, and the learner's capacity to learn from them while striving for excellence is vital to their holistic development.

In this line, we appeal to parents, teachers, and learners to help us eradicate online cheating, which undermines the development of values and morality among the youth. It demeans the quality of education that the Department is committed to improve.

Let us remain steadfast in protecting our shared goal of nurturing holistically developed learners by making the home and school as enabling environments for character development.





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