



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
REGION XII
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF SOUTH COTABATO

**Office of the Schools Division
Superintendent**

19 Aug 2022

DIVISION MEMORANDUM
SGOD No. **117**, s. 2022

**HEALTH AND SAFETY MEASURES ON THE OPERATION OF SCHOOL CANTEEN
TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19 AND OTHER INFECTIOUS
DISEASES FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2022-2023**

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Functional Division Chiefs
Education Program Supervisors
Public Schools District Supervisors/Principals In-Charge
Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads
All Others Concerned

1. In reference to DepEd Order No. 034 s. 2022 on **School Calendar and Activities for School Year 2022-2023** specifically Part VI – Guidelines on the Prevention of COVID-19 and other infectious diseases, all public elementary and secondary schools are directed to expand the health and safety measures on the operation of school canteen for SY 2022-2023 to ensure the proper observance of basic health protocols.
2. These are the mandatory basic health protocols that shall be strictly observed.
 - a. The use of face mask shall be mandatory in the re-opening of classes;
 - b. Physical distancing shall be observed whenever possible;
 - c. Canteen doors and windows shall be opened for proper ventilation;
 - d. Learners, teaching, and nonteaching personnel are prohibited from eating in groups or eating together while facing one another;
 - e. Eating shall be done in a manner where all individuals face in one direction if there is a lack of space in the canteen or school premises to allow distancing during meals; and
 - f. Talking while eating is highly discouraged.

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3. All other provisions stated in DO 8, s. 2007 or **Revised Implementing Guidelines on the Operation and Management of School Canteens in Public Elementary and Secondary Schools** and DO 13, s. 2017 or **Policy and Guidelines on Healthy Food and Beverage Choices in Schools and in DepEd Offices** are still enforced and in effect.
4. Immediate dissemination of this memorandum is directed.


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Schools Division Superintendent

Encl.: None

References: As stated

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index
under the following subjects:

HEALTH EDUCATION
POLICY

CTF/DM- health and safety measures on the operation of school canteen to prevent
the spread of COVID-19 and other infectious diseases for SY 2022-2023
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