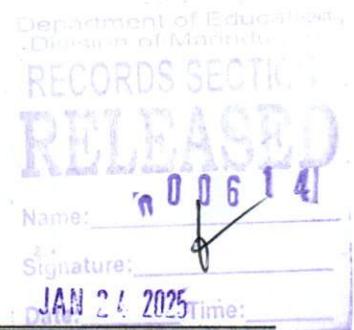




Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
MIMAROPA REGION
DIVISION OF MARINDUQUE



Office of the Schools Division Superintendent

DIVISION MEMORANDUM

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chief Education Supervisors
Public Schools District Supervisors
Heads, Public Elementary and Secondary Schools
All Others Concerned

From: 
LYNN G. MENDOZA, EdD
OIC – Schools Division Superintendent

Subject: **REITERATION OF DEPED ORDER NO. 13, S. 2017 – POLICY AND GUIDELINES ON THE HEALTHY FOOD AND BEVERAGE CHOICES IN SCHOOLS AND IN DEPED OFFICES**

Date: January 23, 2025

Attached is MEMORANDUM ESSD-2025-009 dated January 21, 2025 issued by Office of the Regional Director, Dr. Nicolas T. Capulong CESO III, titled “Reiteration of DepED Order No. 13, s. 2017 – Policy and Guidelines on the Healthy Food and Beverages in Schools and DepED Offices,” which is self-explanatory.

Immediate and wide dissemination of the contents of this Memorandum is desired.

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Office of the Regional Director

REGIONAL MEMORANDUM
ESSD-2025-009

TO : **ALL SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS
REGIONAL OFFICE PERSONNEL**

FROM : **NICOLAS T. CAPULONG, PhD, CESO III**
Director IV
Regional Director

SUBJECT : **REITERATION OF DEPED ORDER 13, s. 2017 - POLICY
AND GUIDELINES ON HEALTHY FOOD AND BEVERAGE
CHOICES IN SCHOOLS AND IN DEPED OFFICES**

DATE : January 21, 2025

In alignment with the Department of Education's commitment to promoting health and well-being of all learners, personnel, and stakeholders, this memorandum reiterates the provisions of DepEd Order No. 13, s. 2017, which outlines the policy and guidelines on healthy food and beverage choices in Schools and DepEd Offices and aims to ensure the promotion and development of healthy eating habits among the youth and DepEd employees by making available healthy, nutritious, and affordable menu choices, and for setting food standards.

The following key provisions are emphasized for strict adherence:

1. Schools, DepEd Offices, teaching and non-teaching personnel, and organizers of activities such as **training, seminars, meetings, and other gatherings** must ensure that food and beverages provided comply with the nutrition standards set forth in the policy.
2. Distribution or serving of junk foods, carbonated drinks, and other unhealthy foods are strictly prohibited not only in canteens and cafeterias but also during **training sessions, seminars and other activities**.

All concerned personnel are requested to adhere strictly to the provisions included in this Memorandum.

Please refer to the attached documents for additional information.

For inquiries, Esmeraldo G. Lalo EdD, Chief Education Supervisor and/or Dr. Maria Anna Irene M. San, Medical Officer IV, may be reached via email address mimaropa.region@deped.gov.ph.

For information and appropriate action.

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**POLICY AND GUIDELINES ON HEALTHY FOOD AND BEVERAGE CHOICES
IN SCHOOLS AND IN DEPED OFFICES**

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. For the information and guidance of all concerned, the Department of Education (DepEd) issues the enclosed **Policy and Guidelines on Healthy Food and Beverage Choices in Schools and in DepEd Offices** for the promotion and development of healthy eating habits among the youth and DepEd employees by making available healthy, nutritious, and affordable menu choices, and for setting food standards.
2. The Policy and Guidelines aim to:
 - a. make available healthier food and beverage choices among the learners and DepEd personnel and their stakeholders;
 - b. introduce a system of categorizing locally available foods and drinks in accordance with geographical, cultural, and religious orientations;
 - c. provide guidance in evaluating and categorizing foods and drinks; and
 - d. provide guidance in the selling and marketing of foods and beverages in schools and DepEd offices, including the purchasing of foods for school feeding.
3. DepEd Order No. 8, s. 2007 entitled *Revised Implementing Guidelines on the Operation and Management of School Canteens in Public Elementary and Secondary Schools* Policy Statements Nos. 4.4, 4.5, and 4.6 are modified accordingly by this issuance.
4. This Order shall take effect immediately upon publication on DepEd Website.
5. Immediate dissemination of and strict compliance with this Order is directed.


LEONOR MAGTOLIS BRIONES
Secretary

Reference:

DepEd Order (No. 8, s. 2007)

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