



Republic of the Philippines  
Department of Education  
Region VII, Central Visayas  
**DIVISION OF CITY SCHOOLS – TAGBILARAN CITY**  
City of Tagbilaran



October 19, 2016

DIVISION MEMORANDUM  
NO. 604, 2016

**TEACHING OF SUPPLEMENTAL GODLY VALUES**

To: Education Program Supervisors  
School Heads of the Elementary and Secondary Schools  
Others Concerned

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1. This has reference to the letter request of Jesus S. Espina, Jr. National Director, Voice Philippines, Inc. to allow their community partners, who are trained volunteers, to teach values classes that supplement Edukasyon sa Pagpakatao, in all schools in the Division using VOICE's non-sectarian, value-focused and Bible-based curriculum.
  2. This Office interposes no objection to the said request. However, coordination with the School Head should first be done to ensure the observance of DepEd policies.
  3. For further details, please see attached communication.
  4. Please be informed and guided accordingly.

  
**VIRGINIA C. ZAPANTA, Ed.D., CESO V**  
Schools Division Superintendent



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**REHIYON VII, GITNANG VISAYAS**  
REGION VII, CENTRAL VISAYAS  
Sudlon, Lahug, Cebu City



**MEMORANDUM**

To : All Schools Division Superintendents /OICs  
Officers-In-Charge of Regular & Interim Divisions

From : *Juliet A. Jeruta*  
JULIET A. JERUTA, Ph. D  
Director III  
OIC-Regional Director

Subject : TEACHING OF SUPPLEMENTAL GODLY VALUES

Date : July 18, 2016

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This has reference to the letter request of Jesus S. Espina, Jr., National Director, Voice Philippines, Inc., to allow their community partners who are trained volunteer teachers to teach values classes that supplement Edukasyon sa Pagpakatao in the Schools Divisions using VOICE's non-sectarian, value-focused and Bible-based curriculum.

Further, this Office interposes no objection to the said request.

Please be guided accordingly.

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*"EFA 2015: Karapatan ng Lahat, Pananagutan ng Lahat"*



July 10, 2016

**Dr. Juliet A. Jeruta**  
DepEd Regional Director  
Region 7

Dear Dr. Jeruta,

Greetings from VOICE Philippines!

VOICE Phils. (for Values Orientation in Classroom Education) is a non-sectarian, PCNC-accredited (for Philippine Council for NGO Certification) national NGO whose advocacy is to inculcate God-based values to the younger generation. In line with the Constitution and the Moral Recovery Program of the government, VOICE has collaborated with DepEd in teaching supplemental Godly values instruction classes (VICs) at no cost to the government for more than 11 years now. Presently VICs are taught in 18 regions, in 74 out of 81 provinces nationwide, teaching around 300,000 students weekly in more than 1,000 public and private schools.


We are writing this letter to officially request your kind office for permission that the trained volunteer teachers from our community groups be allowed to continue teaching VICs in the schools of your Region. The VOICE program will certainly benefit the schools and their students especially since the program has been recently selected by DepEd NCR Region as "**Outstanding Literacy Program**" for 2016 and is currently vying for the national title.

Values education is a very urgent and unquestionable need for young Filipinos. VOICE's God-based values program supplements DepEd's *Edukasyon sa Pagpapapakatao*. VOICE strictly teaches values only and not religion recognizing that our Constitution differentiates faith in God - which the State promotes for its citizens - from religion which the State maintains benevolent neutrality. God believing Filipinos - regardless of religion - will make for good citizens.

Lastly, the VOICE curriculum and program had been evaluated by several DepEd regional and division officials with favorable findings and recommendations.

Thank you for considering our request and we look forward to your favorable response.

Giving Values a Voice,

  
**Jesus B. Medina, Jr.**  
National Director

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