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Department of Education
REGION VII - CENTRAL VISAYAS
DIVISION OF CITY SCHOOLS - TAGBILARAN CITY

**Office of the Schools
Division Superintendent**


November 15, 2022

DIVISION MEMORANDUM
No. *425*, s. 2022

**RESEARCH ON ACCESSIBILITY OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS FOR CHILDREN WITH
VARIOUS DISABILITIES**

To: Chief, CID and SGOD
Elementary and Secondary School Heads
Teaching and Non-Teaching Personnel
All Others Concerned

1. This Office hereby disseminates Regional Advisory No. 0236, s. 2022, dated November 9, 2022, titled "**RESEARCH ON ACCESSIBILITY OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS FOR CHILDREN WITH VARIOUS DISABILITIES**", inviting all interested participants to partake and take part this project.
2. Participation of interested personnel to this activity is subject to the provisions of DECS Order No. 28, s. 2001 titled "**Prohibiting the Commercialization of DECS organization through Endorsements and Accreditation of Goods and Services**", and DepEd Order No. 9, s. 2005 titled "**Instituting Measures to Increase Engaged Time-On-Task**" and all other existing DepEd policies, regulations, and ensuring compliance therewith.
3. Involvement to this activity is **optional**.
4. Please refer to the attached communication for more details.
5. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.


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In compliance with DepEd Order (DO) No. 8, s 2013, this advisory is issued not for endorsement per DO 28, s. 2001, but also for the information of DepEd Officials, personnel/ staff, as well as the concerned public.

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RESEARCH ON ACCESSIBILITY OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS FOR CHILDREN WITH VARIOUS DISABILITIES

1. This Office is hereby disseminating the communication received from Olivia M. Asuncion, AIE, Fullbright Scholar dated November 2, 2022, requesting principals, teachers, and students of San Fernando North Central Elementary School of Cebu Province Division and Labangon Bliss Elementary School of Cebu City Division to be involved and participate in the **Research on Accessibility of Elementary Schools for Children with Various Disabilities**.
2. Please see attached communication for more details.
3. Participation of interested personnel to this professional endeavor is subject to the discretion and approval of the Schools Division Superintendents, and to the provisions of DECS Order No. 28, s. 2001 entitled "Prohibiting the Commercialization of DECS organization through Endorsements and Accreditation of Goods and Services", and DepEd Order No. 9, 2005 entitled "Instituting Measures to Increase Engaged Time-On-Task" and all other existing DepEd policies, regulations, and ensuring compliance therewith.
4. For the information of all interested and concerned parties.



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Fulbright Scholar Connecting with Region VII DepEd | Research

1 message

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Wed, Nov 2, 2022 at 7:02 PM

Dear Dir. Jimenez,

Kumusta po kayo? I'm hoping that this e-mail finds you well! I received your contact information from Mr. Neil Menjares at NEDA (copied in this email), and I hope that you don't mind that I'm emailing to connect with you.

Before anything else, I want to take the time to formally introduce myself. My name is Olivia M. Asuncion and I am an architect from the United States, currently working on a research project here in the Philippines under the prestigious Fulbright Scholarship Program. I am working with the support of University of the Philippines Diliman's School of Urban and Regional Planning, studying the accessibility of elementary schools for children with various disabilities.

As a short background information on myself, I was born and raised in Cavite, Philippines in the 1980s and 1990s with a physical disability and have used mobility devices, like walkers and wheelchairs, all of my life. I have been fortunate enough to go to an elementary school here in Silang, Cavite that was very enthusiastic about making accommodations for me and my disability, especially through making changes in the built environment to make it easier for me to move around independently. Now as an adult, and through Fulbright, I have been given this great opportunity to come back to my home country as a researcher and see the progress that has been made in making education accessible for other children with disabilities.

With that said, I wanted to reach out to the Region VII Department of Education, hoping that you can assist with some of my goals while I'm here in the country.

1. I am hoping to speak with you or a representative from Region VII DepEd, so that I may learn more about legislative progress and changes that have occurred to help children with disabilities access education.
2. I would also like to request for your assistance in contacting two schools so that I may visit their campus and spend some in-person, hands-on time with principals, teachers and students. I'll be visiting campuses in the NCR Region and Region IV-A, as well. But for Region VII, I am hoping to visit some campuses in Cebu: San Fernando North Central Elementary School (#119629) and Labangon/Labangon Bliss Elementary School (#119885/119886). I'm also open to accepting other recommendations, if you think other schools would be a better fit!

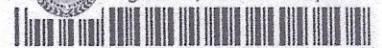
I sincerely hope that we can work together and that I can get Region VII DepEd's support on this project! I know first hand that by including people with disabilities in the conversation, we open up doors for them to be more independent and more impactful contributors to our world. And the first step to do just that is through providing access to education.

Maraming, maraming salamat po! I hope to hear back from you really soon!

With utmost respect,
Olivia Asuncion

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