



Republic of the Philippines  
**Department of Education**  
REGION VII - CENTRAL VISAYAS  
DIVISION OF CITY SCHOOLS - TAGBILARAN CITY

Office of the Schools Division  
Superintendent

DIVISION MEMORANDUM  
No. 671 s. 2025

September 19, 2025

**DISSEMINATION OF IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11638, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS AN ACT RECOGNIZING CCF LIFE ACADEMY FOUNDATION, INC. AS AN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION OF INTERNATIONAL CHARACTER, GRANTING CERTAIN PREROGATIVES TO HASTEN ITS GROWTH AS SUCH, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent  
Public and Private Elementary and Secondary School Heads  
All Others Concerned

1. For the information and guidance of all concerned, enclosed is a copy of the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of the Republic Act (RA) No. 11638, otherwise known as **An Act Recognizing CCF Life Academy Foundation, Inc. as an Educational Institution of International Character, Granting Certain Prerogatives to Hasten its Growth as much, and for Other Purposes.**
2. Please see attached DepEd Memorandum for further details.
3. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

**WILFREDA D. BONGALOS PhD, CESO V**  
Schools Division Superintendent

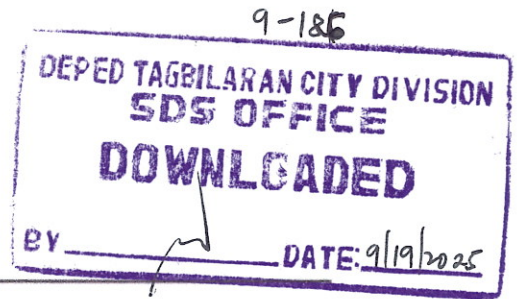
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To: Undersecretaries  
Assistant Secretaries  
Minister, Basic, Higher, and Technical Education, BARMM  
Bureau and Service Directors  
Regional Directors  
Schools Division Superintendents  
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- In accordance with Section 12<sup>1</sup> of the IRR, these rules and regulations shall take effect immediately after its publication in the Official Gazette (OG) or in a newspaper of general circulation. The IRR was published in the OG, Volume No. 34, and thus took effect on August 19, 2024.
- All regional offices, schools division offices, and public and private schools are directed to implement the provisions of RA 11638, its IRR, and other relevant and subsequent issuances pursuant to the foregoing.
- For more information regarding this issuance, please contact the **Office of the Undersecretary for Operations**, 16th Floor, TechZone Building, Department of Education Office, Gil Puyat Avenue, Makati City, through email at [ouops@deped.gov.ph](mailto:ouops@deped.gov.ph) or at telephone number (02) 8633-5313.
- Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

By Authority of the Secretary:



**ATTY. FATIMA LIPP D. PANONTONGAN** [signature]  
Undersecretary and Chief of Staff

<sup>1</sup> Section 12. *Effectivity.* This IRR shall take effect immediately after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

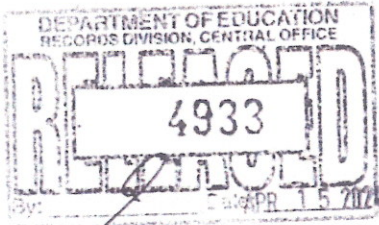
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**IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS  
OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11638**



Pursuant to Section 5 of Republic Act No. 11638 titled, “An Act Recognizing CCF Life Academy Foundation, Inc. as an Educational Institution of International Character, Granting Certain Prerogatives to Hasten its Growth as Such, and for Other Purposes,” approved on December 10, 2021, the Secretary of Education, in consultation with the members of the Board of the School, hereby issues the following rules and regulations to implement the provisions of the Act:

**RULE I  
PRELIMINARY PROVISIONS**

**Section 1. Title.** These rules and regulations shall be referred to as the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of Republic Act No. (RA) 11638, otherwise known as “An Act Recognizing CCF Life Academy Foundation, Inc. as an Educational Institution of International Character, Granting Certain Prerogatives to Hasten its Growth as Such, and for Other Purposes.”

**Section 2. Rationale.** This IRR enables the CCF Life Academy Foundation, Inc. to continue carrying out its educational programs, improve its standard of instruction, and meet the special needs of the foreign temporary resident community it serves for quality education. As an educational institution of international character, the School operates educational programs and services that are comparable, compliant with, and at par with universally accepted international standards and practices.

This IRR shall be aligned with the constitutional mandate outlined in Article XIV of the 1987 Constitution, acknowledging the complementary roles of private institutions within the educational system and permitting the State to exercise reasonable supervision and regulation over said institutions. Furthermore, it shall be in accordance with the purposes and objectives laid out in RA No. 9155, commonly referred to as the “Governance of Basic Education Act of 2001” which establishes the framework for governing basic education, entrusting DepEd with the authority, accountability, and responsibility for attaining elevated learning outcomes. Finally, this IRR adheres to the provisions outlined in Executive Order No. 292 or the Administrative Code of 1987 which mandates DepEd to exercise supervision over all educational institutions.

To the extent applicable to foreign or international schools, this IRR shall also be compliant with the purposes and objectives of RA 10533, otherwise known as the “Enhanced Basic Education Act of 2013,” which provides the structure, policies and standards of educational programs being offered at the basic education level by institutions of learning operating in the Philippines.

**Section 3. Declaration of Policy.** This IRR shall be interpreted in the light of RA 11638, consistent with the provisions of RA 9155, RA 10533, and all other basic education laws and basic education-related laws enacted thereafter.

**Section 4. Official Recognition.** The CCF Life Academy Foundation Inc., herein referred to as the "School," registered as "CCF Life Academy International," is hereby declared and officially recognized as a basic educational institution of international character authorized to operate educational programs that primarily and principally adhere to universally accepted and recognized educational policies.

**Section 5. Definition of Terms.** For purposes of this IRR, the following terms shall mean or be understood as follows:

**5.1 "Act"** refers to RA 11638 titled "An Act Recognizing CCF Life Academy Foundation, Inc. as an Educational Institution of International Character, Granting Certain Prerogatives to Hasten its Growth as Such, and for Other Purposes."

**5.2 "Basic educational institution of international character"** refers to foreign or international schools based in the Philippines, duly accredited and/or recognized by DepEd and authorized to offer any of the following Basic Education Programs:

- i. Kindergarten education – shall mean one (1) year of preparatory education for children at least five (5) years old as a pre-requisite for Grade 1;
- ii. Elementary education – refers to the second stage of compulsory basic education which is composed of six (6) years; and
- iii. Secondary education – refers to third stage of compulsory basic education consisting of four (4) years of junior high school education and two (2) years of senior high school education.

**5.3 "Co-curricular activities"** refer to authorized, voluntary, and non-graded engagements, whether on or off-campus, that reinforce the development of 21<sup>st</sup>-century skills conducted beyond the scheduled contact time between teachers and students. The activities must be anchored on both the content and performance standards in the curriculum.

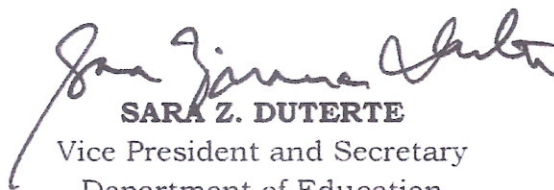
**5.4 "Curricular activities"** refer to opportunities and experiences undertaken by the learners in the classrooms, laboratories, workshops, and homes as well as school-based and out-of-school activities conducted to ensure the learners' acquisition of the K to 12 learning and 21<sup>st</sup>-century skills.

**Section 11. Repealing Clause.** All DepEd Orders and other related issuances, rules and regulations, and provisions, which are inconsistent with this IRR, are hereby repealed, rescinded, or modified accordingly.

**Section 12. Effectivity.** This IRR shall take effect immediately after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

This IRR shall be registered with the Office of the National Administrative Register (ONAR) at the University of the Philippines Law Center, UP Diliman, Quezon City.

Done this 04 day of April, 2024.

  
**SARA Z. DUTERTE**  
Vice President and Secretary  
Department of Education  
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