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**Department of Education**  
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DIVISION OF CITY SCHOOLS – TAGBILARAN CITY

Office of the Schools Division  
Superintendent

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DIVISION MEMORANDUM  
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**CONTINUING STRICT AND CONSISTENT IMPLEMENTATION  
OF PREVENTIVE AND PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES  
IN SCHOOLS ENSURING SAFETY OF ALL LEARNERS**

To: All Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads  
All Others Concerned

1. The recent shooting incident becomes a continuing distress of DepEd and all other educational communities. The considerably recurring perpetration of the said condemnable calls for deterrence and a whole-of-society approach security interventions to avoid further occurrence of the aforesaid incident.
2. In this regard, it has been a continuing order from the Office of the Schools Division Superintendent mandating all school heads, principals, school, security personnel, and teachers to consistently implement and observe the **Immediate Preventive and Precautionary Measures set forth in DepEd Order 006, s. 2026.**
3. The following **Continuing Immediate Preventive and Precautionary Measures** shall be observed in both public and private schools, to wit:

**A. Diligence of a Good Father/Mother in the Family**

1. **Routine Bag Inspection at Home.** Remind and encourage parents/guardians to conduct **Home Routine Bag Inspection** of their children before and after school.
2. **Physical Check of Learners by Parent/Guardians.** Parents/guardians must be diligent to physically check and inspect their children before sending them to school to secure both the physical safety their own children and other learners.



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**B. School Security and Safety Protocols**

- a. **Routine Entry Inspection.** School heads, with the assistance of the guidance counselor and security personnel shall conduct routine entry inspection using authorized non-contact methods such as full-body electronic scanners, bag scanners, handheld metal detectors or search stick whichever is applicable and available.
- b. **Bag inspection.** All learners, personnel, and visitors must submit their bags for inspection at the school entrance to maintain a secure environment, following the above-cited authorized non-contact methods.
- c. **Beyond Routine Inspection.** Beyond routine entry checks, a full bag search maybe executed within the school premises when there is reasonable suspicion that an individual is in possession of prohibited items.
- d. **Monthly Random Routine Bag Inspection Across All Grade Levels.** School Heads are required to implement this random routine bag inspection every month, which process is governed by a formal Random Bag Inspection School Plan with the administrative oversight of SGOD-DRRMO.
- e. **Prohibited Items and Confiscation.** Items identified as strictly prohibited include, but are not limited to weapons such as firearms, daggers, brass knuckles, explosives and incendiary devices, hazardous chemicals and illegal substance if found must be confiscated using a formal Confiscation Slip ( see Annex F of DO 006, s. 2026)
- f. **Security Personnel.** School security personnel must be instructed to be vigilant and observant to any school visitors particularly in their demeanors and strange behaviors inside school campus.

**C. Other Forms of Preventive Measures**

- a. **Immediate Reporting.** Report to police authorities any suspicious transactions/movements which may engender in the mind of any concerned individual the possibility of committing any felonious acts or violations by a stranger or unidentified individual/s.



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- b. **Empower Learners to Initiate Reports Upon Knowledge of Imminent or Actual Violence.** Include in the homeroom reminders for learners to take courage to initiate report directly to any school administrators/ personnel any information known to them about any violence or danger, imminent or actual, either involving themselves or others, for immediate attention and action of the school.
  - c. **Notification to Parents.** Contact or call parents/guardians in cases when a learner is left alone in school after class hours or dismissal.
  - d. **Attendance Check.** Class advisers must check attendance before classes, after recess and before dismissal to ascertain the presence or absence of learners. Possibly inquire the learner's reason/s of absence, if any.
  - e. **Create No Fear.** School heads / teachers must devise an approach not to cause any fear or trouble in the mind of our learners regarding this concern to ensure safety and security.
  - f. Other measures deemed necessary to prevent similar incidents.
4. In case of any suspicious event, please contact **Tagbilaran Police Station** through their **HOTLINE Number 0906 746 4252 or 09126244203.**
  5. Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

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