

CLARIFICATION RE. NEW NATIONAL UNIFORM FOR SY 2015-2016

**MEMORANDUM to—
THE REGIONAL DIRECTORS
SCHOOL DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS
PUBLIC ELEMENTARY/ SECONDARY SCHOOL PRINCIPALS
ALL OTHERS CONCERNED**

This Office continues to receive reports of pictures of alleged DepEd National Uniforms for SY 2015-2016 circulating in the social media, of uniform suppliers going around the field offices offering fabric materials for the national uniforms, and of retail stores/ outlets in the market claiming to sell materials for the purported new DepEd National Uniforms.

In this regard, all DepEd Officials and Employees are hereby advised that we have not yet selected the National Uniform for SY 2015-2016 and 2016-2017. Therefore, no uniform supplier can claim to be selling fabric materials for the national uniforms. Please ignore the picture of the alleged DepEd National Uniforms in the social media and please report to this office any individual or group of individuals who are selling and claiming to be the official suppliers of the new DepEd National Uniform.

With this, the implementation of the wearing the National Uniform maybe reset to a later date. Meantime, that there are no national uniforms yet, employees and teachers may continue to wear their old uniforms while the newly appointed employees and teachers shall wear appropriate office clothes. Separate guidelines shall be issued in this regard.

We also wish to take this opportunity to remind everyone that for SY 2015-2016 ONLY NATIONAL UNIFORMS SHALL BE PRESCRIBED in DepEd Offices and Public Schools. There will be NO NEW REGIONAL AND DIVISION UNIFORMS, although existing uniforms used in SY 2014-2015 may still be used in the coming school year.

The unifom/ clothing allowance for CY 2015 in the amount of Five Thousand Pesos (5,000) shall be released in its full amount to the DepEd teachers and employees.

For the information and guidance of all concerned.

Signed:

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