



Republic of the Philippines  
**Department of Education**  
Cordillera Administrative Region  
**SCHOOLS DIVISION OF BAGUIO CITY**

March 25, 2024

**DIVISION MEMORANDUM**

No. \_\_\_\_\_

**REITERATION TO DEPED ORDERS NOS. 83, s. 2003, 40, s. 2012, AND 49, s. 2022  
(Prohibiting Students of Elementary and Secondary Schools from Using Cellular  
Phones and Pagers During Class Hours, DepEd Child Protection Policy and  
Promotion of Professionalism in the Implementation and Delivery of Basic  
Education Programs and Services)**

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent  
CID Chief Education Supervisor  
SGOD Chief Education Supervisor  
Unit Heads  
Public Schools District Supervisors  
School Heads  
Others Concerned

1. Due to the prevalence of child abuse, including incidents of verbal abuse perpetrated by employees and officials, this Office finds it necessary to remind everyone of their duties to uphold positive and non-violent discipline in a manner consistent with the child's human dignity, and in conformity with the Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC).
2. As the Department consistently upholds the best interests of the child, this Office reiterates the zero-tolerance policy for any act of child abuse, exploitation, violence, discrimination, bullying and other forms of abuse, in line with the Department's Child Protection Policy (DepEd Order No. 40, s. 2012).
3. Similarly, employees and officials must consider the legal restrictions imposed by existing statutes, rules, and DepEd Orders in the use of social media. As such employees and officials shall exercise caution when sharing posts or other contents, in accordance with DepEd Order No. 49, s. 2022.
4. Moreover, this Office reiterates the prohibition of students/pupils from using cellular phones during class hours, in accordance with DepEd Order No. 83, s. 2003.
5. School Heads are directed to take the lead in ensuring the implementation of the aforementioned policies.





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6. SDO Chiefs, Unit Heads, Section Heads, and Public Schools District Supervisors concerned are enjoined to closely monitor the implementation of these Orders.
7. Immediate dissemination of and strict compliance with this Memorandum is directed.

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