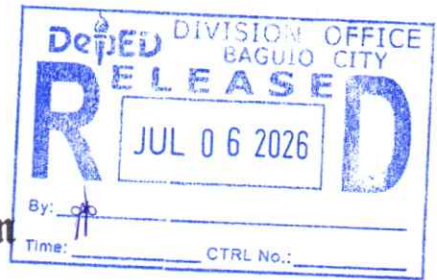




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**SCHOOLS DIVISION OF BAGUIO CITY**



July 03, 2026

**DIVISION MEMORANDUM**  
No. 446-2026

**REITERATION ON THE SAFETY AND SECURITY OF LEARNERS**

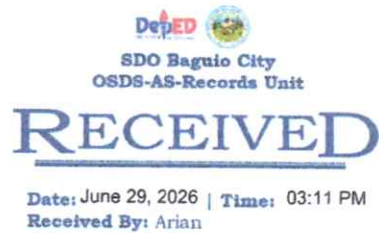
To: Asst. Schools Division Superintendent  
Chief Education Supervisors  
Public School District Supervisors  
Public and Private Elementary and Secondary School Heads  
All Others Concerned

1. This pertains to Regional Memorandum No. 488, s. 2026, reiterating the safety and security of learners.
2. In line with this, all schools are directed to strengthen security measures to protect learners, teaching and non-teaching personnel, and school visitors.
3. The conduct of drills to prepare for potential threats, such as active shooters or hostile intruders both on and off campus, shall be implemented once our contingency plan has been validated by the Philippine National Police (PNP) and the City Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office (CDRRMO).
4. Attached is a copy of the said Regional Memorandum for reference and guidance.
5. Immediate dissemination of and strict compliance with this Memorandum is desired.

**SORAYA T. FACULO PhD, CESO V**  
Schools Division Superintendent



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29 June 2026

**REGIONAL MEMORANDUM**

No. 488-2026

**REITERATING THE SAFETY AND SECURITY OF LEARNERS**

To: Assistant Regional Director  
Schools Division Superintendents  
Public and Private Elementary and Secondary School Heads  
All Others Concerned

1. The rising violence committed inside school premises highlights the urgent need for all schools to strengthen security measures and protect learners, teaching and non-teaching personnel, and school visitors.
2. School heads shall ensure that existing school safety and security protocols are reviewed, reinforced, and consistently implemented. As part of these measures, the following interventions/activities are advised:
  - a. **Procurement and use Handheld Metal Detectors.** All schools are advised to procure at least one (1) handheld metal detector using their MOOE fund, subject to the availability of funds and in accordance with existing government procurement laws, rules, and regulations. These handheld metal detectors shall be used only by authorized personnel and solely for preventive security measures.
  - b. **Security screening.** School security guards or designated gate personnel shall conduct regular security screening, including the use of handheld metal detectors, as appropriate, for all students and visitors entering the school.
  - c. **Increased Campus monitoring.** School heads shall conduct regular roving inspections during school hours to monitor the overall peace and order situation within the campus.
  - d. **Regular conduct of drills.** In addition to regular emergency drills, schools are encouraged to conduct **lock-out and lockdown drills** to prepare for potential threats, such as active shooters or hostile intruders, both on and off campus.
3. School heads shall likewise ensure that these measures are implemented in a manner that upholds the welfare, dignity, and best interests of every learner, consistent with the Child Protection Policy and other relevant DepEd issuances.



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4. Schools are encouraged to collaborate with the Philippine National Police (PNP), Local Government Units (LGUs), barangay officials, and other partners and stakeholders to enhance campus security, particularly during student arrival, dismissal, and other school activities.
5. Schools Division Offices shall regularly monitor the implementation of school safety measures and provide technical assistance as necessary.
6. Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is earnestly desired.

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