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Department of Education

REGION X – NORTHERN MINDANAO SCHOOLS DIVISION OF EL SALVADOR CITY

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DIVISION MEMORANDUM No. 081, s. 2020

INTERIM GUIDELINES FOR ALTERNATIVE WORK ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE DURATION OF THE STATE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY PURSUANT TO PROCLAMATION NO. 922

To: Asst. Schools Division Superintendent
Chief CID, SGOD
PSDS, Education Program Supervisors
Section Heads
All Public Elementary & Secondary School Heads
All Others Concerned
This Division

- 1. Pursuant to *Civil Service Commission (CSC)* Memorandum Circular 7, s. 2020, to prevent the spread of Corona Virus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), the four-day workweek shall be implemented in the Division Office. Accordingly, Division Office Personnel shall observe a four-day workweek instead of working for five (5) days a week and work schedule from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m, effective **March 16, 2020.**
- 2. The four-day workweek shall be governed by the following guidelines:

a. Unit heads after agreement with the employee/s shall designate the day-off of the employee/s

b. Employees must render not less than ten (10) hours of work a day, exclusive of meal periods. They may report to work anytime from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. and may end work anytime between 6:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. after completing the ten-hour workday.

c. Employees who report for work beyond 8:00 a.m. shall be considered tardy. Those who do not complete ten (10) hours in one (1) workday shall be considered undertime. Off-setting tardiness or undertime shall not be allowed.

d. The official lunch break shall be maintained at 12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m. regardless of the time the employee reports to work.

e. One-day absence shall be considered as a ten-hour absence and shall be deducted proportionally from the employee's leave credits.

f. Employees who are required to report for work on their scheduled day-off shall be entitled to 1.5-day compensatory time-off.

g. EXECOM Meeting is scheduled on every morning of Tuesday, hence, EXECOM members are discouraged to schedule their day-off on Tuesday

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- h. For the meantime, checking of attendance during the flag raising ceremony shall be for record purposes only and not as reference for administrative action.
- 3. Unit heads shall ensure that government transactions specially the frontline services are not hampered. Consequently, they shall submit to the Office of the Schools Division Superintendent (OSDS) the recommended work schedule of employee/s in their respective unit on or before **March 13, 2020.** Approved work schedule shall be forwarded to the Personnel Office for reference.
- 4. Unit Heads and School Heads shall ensure that the employee/s providing essential services (e.g. health workers, first responders, and frontlines) is/are provided with support mechanism such as the following:
 - a. Health interventions;
 - b. Stress debriefing; and
 - c. Appropriate technologies to minimize face to face contact
- 5. School Heads are hereby encouraged to recommend internal guidelines for their schools, subject to the approval of the Schools Division Superintendent.

6. Immediate and wide dissemination of this memorandum is desired.

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