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Department of Education

REGION X – NORTHERN MINDANAO SCHOOLS DIVISION OF EL SALVADOR CITY

Office of the Schools Division Superintendent

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DIVISION MEMORANDUM NO. <u>20</u>, s. 2021

BACK TO SCHOOL: LET A MILLION FLOWERS BLOOM PROJECT

To: All Public Elementary School Heads
All Public Secondary School Heads

All Supreme Pupil Government Teacher-Advisers

All Supreme Student Government Teacher-Advisers

All Youth Environment in School-Organization Coordinators

All Others Concerned

This Division

- 1. Pursuant to OUA Memorandum 00-0521-0171 Re: Back to School: Let a Million Flowers Bloom Project, this Office hereby encourage all schools to plant flowering plants and let them bloom in time for the opening of classes for School Year 2021-2022.
- 2. The aim of this project is to uplift the spirit of the learners, parents, and teachers, as well as to show gratitude and appreciation to teachers for all the hard work they have showed amidst the COVID-19 pandemic to continue the delivery of quality education to the learners.
- 3. Further, each school through the leadership of the Youth Environment in School-Organization (YES-O) coordinators and/or Supreme Pupil Government (SPG)/Supreme Student Government (SSG) Teacher-Advisers shall lead in the following:
 - Designate a minimum of 10 square meter land area in front and/or by the side of the school and must be visible to the public. If the school has no available land area, the school can use alternative recycled materials like plastic bottles and sacks for planting the flowers.
 - Plant sunflower or any flowering plants available within the area of the school. Philippine native plants are recommended, such as kamuning, katmon, gumamela, etc.





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- The school shall plant the sapling 1-2 months or earlier in time for the flowers to bloom on the opening of classes.
- The school may seek partnership from their respective Local Government Units (LGUs), private sector, and even the parents/guardians of their learners for the said activity.
- The expenses to be incurred shall be charged against the local funds/school MOOE in accordance with existing accounting and auditing rules and regulations.
- the activity shall be performed in accordance with the local health protocols set in place in relation to COVID-19 pandemic.
- 4. Moreover, the YES-O Teacher-Advisers and/or SPG/SSG Teacher-Advisers are requested to document the whole duration of the project and post these on their official School and Division Youth Formation Facebook page using the hashtags #DepEdProjectMillionFlowers and #depedkabataan2021. Photos should also be posted on the "BLSS-YFD-School in a Garden" Channel of the "OUA School Photos" Microsoft Team.
- 5. This Office shall adhere to the Equal Opportunity Principle (EOP) in observing all policies and guidelines. Hence, all actions shall be based solely on guidelines set with no discrimination on the account of age, gender identity, sexual orientation, civil status, disability, religion, ethnicity, or political affiliation.

6. Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is enjoined.

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