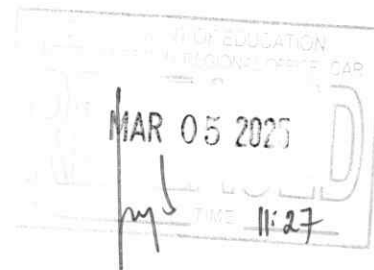




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**Department of Education**  
CORDILLERA ADMINISTRATIVE REGION



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**REGIONAL MEMORANDUM**

No. 165.2025

**DISSEMINATION OF DM-OUOPS-2025-01-01052 "PROHIBITION ON THE  
CONDUCT OF ELECTIONEERING AND PARTISAN POLITICAL ACTIVITY  
DURING END-OF-SCHOOL-YEAR RITES"**

To: Assistant Regional Director  
Schools Division Superintendents  
All Divisions  
All Others Concerned

1. This memorandum is issued to disseminate **DM-OUOPS-2025-01-01052**, dated **February 27, 2025**, which reiterates the **prohibition of electioneering and partisan political activities during the End-of-School-Year rites**, including moving-up and graduation ceremonies. These events must not be used as platforms for political activities.
2. In reference thereof, all school heads are reminded to ensure that the End-of-School-Year rites focus solely on the academic achievements of the graduates/completers while also recognizing the collective efforts of the entire school community, thereby preserving the solemnity of the occasion.
3. For information, guidance and compliance.

  
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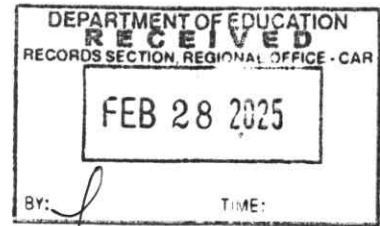
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**MEMORANDUM**  
**DM-OUOPS-2025-01-01052**

**FOR : ALL REGIONAL DIRECTORS**  
**ALL SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS**  
**ALL PUBLIC ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOL HEADS**  
**ALL OTHERS CONCERNED**

**FROM : MALCOLM S. GARMA**  
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**SUBJECT : PROHIBITION ON THE CONDUCT OF ELECTIONEERING AND**  
**PARTISAN POLITICAL ACTIVITY DURING END-OF-SCHOOL-**  
**YEAR RITES**

**DATE : February 27, 2025**

In light of the upcoming National and Local Elections on May 12, 2025, this Office seeks to reiterate the policy that **electioneering and the conduct of partisan political activities during end-of-school-year rights ("EOSY rites"), such as moving up or graduating rites are strictly prohibited, and such events shall not be used as a political forum.**

The strict prohibition on electioneering and the conduct of partisan political activities during EOSY rights aligns with Department of Education Order No. 48, series of 2018 entitled "*Prohibition of Electioneering and Partisan Political Activity*", which is attached in this Memorandum for ease of reference.

Relatedly, DepEd also released DepEd Order No. 9, series of 2023 which provides

Moving up or graduating rites shall be conducted in an appropriate solemn ceremony befitting the graduating students and their family and shall not be used as a political forum, in strict compliance with DO No. 48, s. 2018 entitled Prohibition of Electioneering and Partisan Political Activity.

In this regard, this Office reminds all concerned personnel to continue adhering to the guidelines set forth in DO No. 48, Series of 2018 and Section IV.5(e) of DO No. 9, Series of 2023.

The school heads shall ensure that EOSY rights are celebrated through a solemn ceremony, principally aimed at recognizing the hard work, growth, and academic achievements of our graduates/completers, while also commemorating the

collective efforts of the entire school community in fulfilling the mandate of providing quality basic education to Filipino learners.

Complaints that may arise in relation to allegations of electioneering and partisan political activity during EOSY rites shall be promptly resolved at appropriate governance level.

Violations of the prohibited acts committed by DepEd officials or personnel as stated in DO No. 48, Series of 2018 will be dealt with in accordance with DepEd Order No. 49, series of 2006 or the Revised Rules of Procedure of the Department of Education in Administrative Cases), the Revised Rules on Administrative Cases in the Civil Service, and the Omnibus Election Code.

Immediate dissemination of and strict compliance with this Memorandum is directed.