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Department of Education
REGION VII – CENTRAL VISAYAS
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF NEGROS ORIENTAL

**Office of the Schools Division
Superintendent**

DIVISION MEMORANDUM

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DISSEMINATION OF GRADUATION MESSAGES

To : Assistant Schools Division Superintendent/s
Chiefs, CID and SGOD
Education Program Supervisors
Public Schools District Supervisors
Elementary and Secondary School Heads, Both Public and Private
Teaching and Non-Teaching Personnel
All Others Concerned

1. For the information and guidance of all concerned, attached are copies of Graduation Messages from the Regional Director, DepEd-RO VII and the Schools Division Superintendent of Negros Oriental Division.
2. Wide dissemination of this Memorandum is hereby enjoined.

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Schools Division Superintendent

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Kalidad ng Edukasyon Lalong Patatagin sa Gitna ng Pandemya

(Strengthening the Quality of Education Amid the COVID-19 Pandemic)

Greetings of Love & Peace! to each & everyone.

School Year 2020-2021 has been the most challenging year in education. All been struggling to survive in all aspects. But our beloved Secretary Leonor Magtolis Briones lead the baton that education must continue amidst whatever crisis we will be facing. And so, here we are, celebrating one of the most precious achievement/accomplishment that you have, your graduation & moving up ceremonies.

It is one fleeting sense of pride & joy to be able to celebrate with all of you, for your bravery, resilience, perseverance, and commitment that push you to experience what we have today.

Our beloved, most precious gems, dear learners, just wanted to let you know that you are doing great. It is not easy to be learners with all the pressure in today's world, the more in this trying times due to pandemic, how you hurdle your lessons remotely thru distance learning of varied modalities, the fear & ———scare of the virus due to negative publicity & many more. But you survive & victorious. So, don't lose your heart if you find things difficult.

Today, the world is so tested. It is high time that you put all your learnings into action. Never be a bystander watching as the world takes a paradigm shift. Take the wheel. Collectively, the youth are stronger than any pandemic known to men.

Remember, everyone is a student of life as we all keep learning something or the other throughout our lives. So, keep the faith & believe in yourselves. Work hard & work smart too & with the right focus & determination you will see that goals are not impossible to achieve, just have a clear plan, and whenever detours come your way, don't be afraid, face them with conviction, that those are part of the pitfalls where we cannot evade. Be strong & let your education & learnings with God be your shield.

And don't forget to thank the most honest persons in your life – those who can say & tell you exactly what you are doing, either good or bad. Those who guide you sincerely to the path you want to walk on, who always with you in times of your successes & downfalls. They are your parents, teachers, relatives & best friend. So, learners, congratulations. You hit the mark on your timeline.

To all our parents & guardians, your contribution towards the realization of the once dreams of your children is so great. Sustain it & you will see & harvest the fruits of it sooner than later. Thank you for partnering with DepEd thru your children's education. Congratulations!

To the school, I know how you struggle also especially that the world was shock of what happened & nobody was prepared – There were so many how's & why's but you are able to navigate it until reaching its destination. Whatever is the experience & hardships, what is more important is the outcome of what you have done. My salute to you.

To our teachers, school heads, supervisors & non-teaching personnel, you did a great job worthy of emulation, I am so proud of you;

To the SDOs, I am so happy of what your division accomplished for SY 2020-2021. Your efforts doesn't go to vain, now it comes into fruition. Kudos.

To everyone, always have the SMILE in you.

See Miracles In Life Everyday & you'll be filled with positivity in thoughts & actions.

Congratulations once again.

Keep safe & God bless everyone.

-RD Salustiano T, Jimenez, CESO V



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MESSAGE

School Year 2020-2021 has been a very trying and challenging school year. We came face to face with a number of major concerns that had to be addressed for the school year to open because of the pandemic brought about by the COVID 19 virus. We had to determine the modality of delivering lessons in our province in the absence of face to face classes. Enrolment had to be done remotely to keep to the safety standards so as not to compromise the health of our DepEd personnel, our learners and parents, as well. School Year opening had to be done in October only when the President of the country gave the green light for SY 2020-2021 to commence on condition that there would be no face to face classes. DepEd also had to contend with the fears and reservations of the different sectors of the society regarding school opening.

But EDUCATION SHALL CONTINUE !

This was the strong conviction of DepEd Secretary Leonor M. Briones, and this was supported by DepEd Officials in the different governance levels of the department. All means were exhausted to make education continue, and IT DID!

Now, we are at the threshold of the curtain call of a very challenging yet historical scene – SY 2020-2021.

Truly, SY 2020-2021 is historical, and being so, all of us who have contributed to the realization that education must continue amid the pandemic challenge are now part of history. Our names may not appear in the annals of Philippine history, but definitely our relentless effort will be etched in its pages.



To you dear graduates and completers, your graduation/completion is truly a feat which calls for a celebration. You have successfully overcome the different obstacles which have come along the way as you treaded your way during the school year. While the COVID 19 pandemic brought about fears among us, not to mention adverse change in life and lifestyle, it has also given you the opportunity to display how much you value education. The efforts you exerted as you worked on your modules and comply with requirements really show that education is a priceless commodity which almost everyone wants to possess. Congratulations to all of you for successfully completing the school year inspite of the great challenge that had to be faced head-on for you to reach this point of your life – your graduation/completion.

Your graduation/completion in these trying moments did not come in handy. So many ingredients had to be tossed and mixed to turn your dream of graduating/completing a reality. The guidance and support of the Department of Education at the National and Regional levels provided us with the direction as we sailed through rough waters. The heroism of your teachers and other school personnel under the stewardship of the Principals and School Heads as well as the guidance of our Public Schools District Supervisors as they courageously enrolled, distributed and retrieved the modules is truly remarkable. The compassion of our division module writers and quality assurance team members under the wings of our division subject area supervisors of Negros Oriental Division to craft and produce our modules to give life to our modality of distance learning through the printed modules is heartwarming and amazing. This was very much strengthened by our men and women at the SGOD, Administrative, Supply, Health and Finance Offices and everyone at the Division Office of SDO Negros Oriental. The Alternative Learning System focal persons, too, exerted efforts to contribute to make education continue. The support of our national government and our local government units at the congressional, provincial, municipal and barangay levels was very inspiring which gave DepEd Negros Oriental the strength to carry on with its mission of providing education at whatever cost. Our PTAs in the division, district and school levels were a formidable support system that was such a great help.

Our partners in the public and private sectors did not also turn a blind eye and a deaf ear to our needs. The support of your parents/ guardians/benefactors was a very important element whose contribution to your success could not be underestimated. These are the people who also deserve the accolade as you celebrate your success.

As the curtain of School Year 2020-2021 falls, let us continue to hope that we will continue to provide and strengthen education in the new normal through our dedication, commitment and compassion.

As we celebrate success, I give all our graduates/completers and their parents, guardians, benefactors and all those who made this possible, my loud HURRAH! and BRAVO! as I exhort all our graduates/completers to brace for the challenges lying ahead with courage and a strong faith in the Divine Providence. The world continues to unfold for you dear graduates and completers. Break a leg! Your education shall be among your strong weapons as you conquer the world!

Congratulations and God speed!



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