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DIVISION MEMORANDUM

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Subject: **IMPLEMENTATION OF CANTEEN MANAGEMENT AND FOOD SAFETY IN SCHOOL STANDARDS**

1. Parallel with DepED ORDER No. 8, s. 2007 "Revised Implementing Guidelines of Operations and Management of School Canteens in Public Elementary and Secondary Schools; DepED ORDER No. 52, s. 2008 " Compliance to Policies on Food Safety in School; and Regional Memorandum No. 63, s. 2011 "Massive Inspection of School Canteens and Enforcement of Standards on Canteen Management and Food Safety in Schools", this office is reiterating the implementation of **Food Safety Standards in the school canteens in order to protect the health and safety of our school children.**
2. In this regard, Schools Heads are directed to ensure preservation of **"HEALTH AS A SOCIAL RIGHT"** and shall intensify monitoring on the implementation of the following :
 - All schools shall require canteen operators and food handlers to secure Sanitation clearance / health permit from the City Health Office. This should be displayed permanently in a conspicuous place in the canteen. They shall remain valid for the duration of the school year.
 - The canteen should be well-maintained, clean, well ventilated and pest free. Observance of proper storage, cooking and handling of foods is encouraged.
 - Only nutrient rich foods such as root crops, noodles, rice and corn products in native preparations; fruits and vegetables and fortified food products labeled rich in protein, energy, vitamins and minerals shall be sold in the canteens.
 - Beverages to be sold to include only milk, shakes and juices prepared from fresh fruits and vegetables in season.
 - Junk foods, carbonated drinks, sugar -based synthetic or artificially flavored juices are prohibited for these are detrimental for child's health and that do not bear the Sangkap Pinoy and / or did not pass BFAD approval. Candies, chocolates and the likes are also not encouraged for sale in the canteen.
 - Use of Iodized Salt in controlled quantity, in the preparation of cooked food is encouraged to ensure that the iodine requirement of the clientele shall be met to eliminate iodine deficiency disorder (IDD). The use of monosodium glutamate (vetsin) shall be regulated.
3. Widest dissemination and strict compliance is desired.