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DepED Angeles City
Division of City Schools

OPENING OF CLASSES ON JUNE 5, 2017, MONDAY

TO: OIC-Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chief, Curriculum Implementation Division
Chief, School Governance and Operations Division
Education Program Supervisors
Public Schools District Supervisors
All Public Elementary, Secondary and Senior School Heads
All Others Concerned



1. As per DepED Order No. 25, s. 2017 entitled "School Calendar for SY 2017-2018", the school year formally opens on Monday, June 5, 2017 and shall end on Friday, April 6, 2018, which consist of 204 school days inclusive of the 5-day In-Service Training (INSET) and the 4 days Parent-Teacher Conferences (PTC) conducted every quarter.

2. School activities and observances that involve student participation, such as competitions, festivities, press conferences, culminating activities, and field demonstrations **must be regulated** so as **not to cause disruption of classes** and ensure that the **required contact time or number of teaching-learning days is met** as reflected in DepED Order No. 9, s. 2005, entitled "Instituting Measures to Increase Engaged Time-On-Task and Ensuring Compliance Therewith."

3. Please be guided with the following:

- a. **No Collection Policy** as per DepED Memorandum No. 143, s. 2016 entitled "Reiteration of the No Collection Policy from the Parents-Teacher Association" which underscores the urgent need to minimize, if not eliminate, financial constraints among parents/guardians during the opening of classes, however, starting August until the end of School Year fees and contributions may be collected on a **voluntary basis**.

- b. General Assembly shall be conducted by all schools to orient parents and other stakeholders on the curriculum, co-curricular programs and ancillary services to support learner development and continuous improvement of school outcomes.
 - c. As per DepED Order No. 54, s. 2009 entitled "Revised Guidelines Governing Parents-Teachers Associations (PTAs) at the School Level", within **fifteen (15) days from the start of the school year, the Homeroom Adviser and the Parents/Guardians shall organize the Homeroom PTA** with the approval of the School Head, and the elected presidents of the Homeroom PTAs and their advisers shall elect the Board of Directors **within thirty (30) days from the start of the school year, who shall immediately elect from among themselves the executive officers of the PTA on the same day.**
 - d. All elementary schools shall administer the Early Childhood Development (ECD) Checklist for Kindergarten Children during the opening of classes, midyear, and end of school year to be used as basis for planning and formulating appropriate interventions for children.
 - e. Deworming of children in school shall be conducted within the months of July 2017 and January 2018.
 - f. A Career Guidance Program shall be conducted between July and November 2017 to guide Grades 9, 10, and 11 students in making informed choices on their preferred Senior High School track.
 - g. A semestral break at the end of the Second Quarter shall be observed to evaluate individual teachers and their collective performance, as well as conduct INSET activities for continuing professional development and preparation of Instructional Materials (IM).
 - h. Christmas break shall begin on December 22, 2017, Friday and classes will resume on Wednesday, January 3, 2018.
4. Schools may observe local celebrations/activities and holidays other than those indicated in the School Calendar For SY 2017-2018, provided **make-up classes are held in lieu of class cancellations due to celebrations and holidays, as well as natural and man-made calamities** as agreed upon by school heads and the PTA.
5. Immediate dissemination for the information and strict compliance of all concerned is hereby enjoined.


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