



Republic of the Philippines  
Department of Education  
NEGROS ISLAND REGION

**REGIONAL MEMORANDUM**

No. 1166, s. 2026

**WARNING AGAINST UNAUTHORIZED SOLICITATIONS USING  
THE NAMES OF DEPED OFFICIALS**

To: Schools Division Superintendents  
All Others Concerned

1. This Office, through the Education Support Services Division (ESSD), disseminates the Memorandum from the Office of the Secretary dated October 8, 2026 titled "**Warning Against Unauthorized Solicitations Using the Names of DepEd Officials**," which is self-explanatory.
2. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

  
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Regional Director

Encl.: As Stated  
Reference: As Stated  
To be indicated in the Perpetual Index  
under the following subject:

**PROHIBITION**

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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

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**MEMORANDUM**

TO : **Undersecretaries**  
**Assistant Secretaries**  
**Bureau and Service Directors**  
**Regional Directors**  
**Schools Division Superintendents**  
**Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads**  
**All Bids and Awards Committees**  
**All Others Concerned**

FROM :   
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Office of the Secretary

SUBJECT : **Warning Against Unauthorized Solicitations Using the  
Names of DepEd Officials**

DATE : October 8, 2026

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The Department of Education (DepEd) has received reports that certain individuals are contacting suppliers, contractors, and other stakeholders and improperly invoking the names of the Secretary of Education, the Head of the Procuring Entity (HoPE), members of the Executive Committee, and other DepEd officials to solicit or demand money in connection with Notices of Award, Notices to Proceed, and other procurement-related transactions.

In this regard, all concerned are informed that neither the Secretary, the HoPE, nor any DepEd official authorizes, requires, or permits the solicitation, collection, or receipt of money, deposits to private accounts, or any form of payment or consideration in relation to government procurement activities and contracts. Any such representation is false, unauthorized, and contrary to the principles of integrity, transparency, and accountability that govern all Department transactions.

All offices are directed to exercise vigilance and to immediately report any similar incidents brought to their attention. Suppliers, contractors, bidders, and other stakeholders who receive such solicitations are advised to refrain from making any payment, preserve all available evidence, and promptly report the matter to the appropriate DepEd office and to the Philippine National Police (PNP) or the National Bureau of Investigation (NBI) for proper investigation and action.

The Department shall pursue the appropriate investigation and, upon sufficient evidence, initiate the filing of administrative, civil, and/or criminal actions against any individual found to have fraudulently used the name of the Department or any of its officials for unlawful purposes.

Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.