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DepEd waives dress code for visitors of Balik Eskwela Command Center

Education Secretary Jesli Lapus ordered Oplan Balik Eskwela Task Force chief Undersecretary Ramon Bacani to waive the dress code for visitors at the Department of Education (DepEd) central office.

“All parents who wish to send their queries and complaints to the Department of Education’s (DepEd) Balik Eskwela Command Center are free to visit the DepEd Central Office in any attire,” said Undersecretary for Regional Operations and head of the Oplan Balik Eskwela Task Force Ramon Bacani.

“Secretary Lapus wants us to eliminate all possible obstacles to providing quality educational services for our people,” Bacani explained. “We are therefore temporarily waiving our dress code that prohibits wearing of shorts, slippers, and sleeveless shirts at the DepEd complex.”

“This is to encourage more parents to visit our Command Center. And we are ready to help these parents by providing quick response to their queries,” he added.

The Balik Eskwela Command Center, which opens today, provides quick and timely response to questions and complaints that may arise during the opening of classes on June 1. It is located at the Bulwagan ng Karunungan, DepEd Central Office in Pasig City.

The public may contact the Balik Eskwela Command Center through its hotline numbers 636-1663 and 6321361 to 71, or fax number 638-8641. They may also use its Text Messaging Service by sending their name, address and query to 09194560027 or by texting DEPED FDBK and sending it to 2622 (available for Smart/ Talk N’ Text/ Addict Mobile/ Globe/Touch Mobile subscribers).

Oplan Balik Eskwela is a campaign for the preparation of school opening initiated by DepEd. Through OBE, DepEd seeks to address common problems encountered during school opening, provide information, and coordinate with government agencies, communities and other interest groups.

“We are grateful for the support of the president and our convergence partners for Oplan Balik Eskwela. Without their cooperation, we would not have been successful in preparing our public schools this school year,” Lapus noted.

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