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Department of Education

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SAFER INTERNET DAY FOR CHILDREN PHILIPPINES CELEBRATION 2020

To: Undersecretaries
Assistant Secretaries
Minister, Basic, Higher, and Technical Education, BARMM
Bureau and Service Directors
Regional Directors
Schools Division Superintendents
Public and Private Elementary and Secondary School Heads
All Others Concerned

1. The Department of Education (DepEd) joins the Inter-Agency Council Against Child Pornography (IACACP) in celebrating the **Safer Internet Day for Children Philippines 2020 (SID PH 2020)** with the theme, *Responsableng Paggamit ng Internet, SANA ALL!* The celebration is pursuant to Presidential Proclamation No. 417 titled Declaring the Second Tuesday of February of Every Year as Safer Internet Day for Children Philippines.

2. It aims to raise the awareness of the public in creating a safer and better online environment for children.

3. In view of this year's celebration and theme, all public and private elementary and secondary schools are highly encouraged to include in their classroom discussions various cybersafety issues such as cyberbullying, online sexual abuse & exploitation of children, and digital citizenship.

4. This Department, through the Office of the Undersecretary for Legal Affairs (OULA), developed the following supplementary learning resources on Cybersafety, in collaboration with different partners:

a. **Dalir-eskwela materials** are a range of educational materials developed in partnership with the Internet and Mobile Marketing Association of the Philippines (IMMAP) and Stairway Foundation. It includes videos for learners discussing cybersafety issues such as cyberbullying, online chatting, online gaming, and online pornography and provide tips on how learners can safely navigate the internet. There are also accompanying brochures for parents.

b. **Cybersafe lesson plans.** DepEd, in partnership with Stairway Foundation, developed lesson plans which aid teachers in developing students' capacities to stay safe online by teaching positive behavior. Topics covered include account privacy, image and content sharing, online friending, online pornography, online gaming, and online relationships.

c. **Cybersafe e-Learning courses** for learners and school personnel:

- i. *Be A Buddy, Not a Bully* discusses different types of bullying and what to do about it
- ii. *Add Friends, Not Strangers* is about online interaction in the age of social media
- iii. *Some Things Are Not Worth Sharing* aims to build children's capacity to discern what information is safe and unsafe to share online.

d. **Facebook Philippines Digital Tayo modules** for learners and school personnel. Digital Tayo is Facebook Philippines' program that aims to teach Filipinos how to be responsible digital citizens. The modules cover topics on digital footprint, positive engagement and communication online, and discerning online information.

5. All the abovementioned supplementary learning materials are uploaded and can be accessed through <http://bit.ly/SIDPH2020>.

6. All expenses incurred by DepEd schools and field offices in the conduct of the activities celebrating the SID PH 2020 shall be charged to local funds, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

7. For more information, please contact the **Inter-Agency Council Against Child Pornography**, through e-mail at info@iacacp.gov.ph or telephone number 951-7437/ 931-8101 local 407-409, or the Office of the Undersecretary for Planning, Human Resource and Organizational Development, and Field Operations through e-mail at childprotection@deped.gov.ph or telephone number 8631-8494.

8. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.


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Secretary

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