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**Department of Education**

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DepEd MEMORANDUM  
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**REITERATION OF FAIR AND TRANSPARENT BIDDING PROCESS  
AND WARNING AGAINST CORRUPT PRACTICES**

To: Undersecretaries  
Assistant Secretaries  
Bureau and Service Directors  
Regional Directors  
Assistant Regional Directors  
Schools Division Superintendents  
Assistant Schools Division Superintendents

1. Pursuant to the directives of the Secretary of Education, Sonny Angara, and in line with the Department's commitment to uphold transparency, accountability, and fairness in all its procurement activities, the Department of Education (DepEd) issues this Memorandum to ensure the public of its strong adherence to the highest level of transparency and professionalism in the conduct of all bidding processes in the Department.

**Fair and Transparent Bidding Process**

2. All bidding activities under DepEd shall be conducted in strict adherence to the principles of transparency, competitiveness, and accountability in accordance with Republic Act (RA) No. 9184, otherwise known as the Government Procurement Reform Act. Thus, all qualified bidders will have equal opportunity to participate and be considered in every procurement process, without any undue preference or advantage granted to any party.

3. The Secretary stands committed to establishing an open, transparent, and efficient procurement process in DepEd that will foster public confidence in the procurement process and enhance procurement integrity. To this end, the Department shall endeavor that no bidder shall be favored, given undue advantage, or accorded preferential treatment for any reason whatsoever. This is in keeping with the DepEd mandate to protect and promote the right of every Filipino to quality, equitable, culture-based basic education.

**Warning Against Corrupt Practices**

4. DepEd sternly reminds the public, bidders, contractors, suppliers, consultants, and Department officials and employees involved in procurement activities, that any activity, behavior, or practice that will undermine the integrity of the procurement, defeat competition, manipulate the bidding process, unduly favor or give preference to any bidder, intentionally delay or prolong the bidding procedure has no place in DepEd and shall never be tolerated.

5. DepEd remains steadfast in its duty to uphold procurement integrity and fight any and all forms of graft and corruption. Any individual or entity found in violation of RA

9184, RA 3019 (Anti-Graft and Corrupt Practices Act), and RA 6713 (Code of Conduct and Ethical Standards for Public Officials and Employees) shall be made accountable to the fullest extent of the law with the imposition of criminal, civil, and administrative sanctions.

6. Bidders, suppliers, contractors, and consultants are further warned that the Department will not hesitate to institute blacklisting proceedings when warranted, which will result to disqualify their participation in any bidding in the government.

7. And any Department official or employee found guilty of participating in such illegal activities shall be met with severe disciplinary actions, including dismissal from service, without prejudice to filing criminal charges.

### Reporting of Violations

8. DepEd appeals to the public for support and encourages the reporting of any information pertaining to any possible illegal or corrupt activities in its procurement processes.


9. Any member of the public may email this Office at [walangkorapsyon@deped.gov.ph](mailto:walangkorapsyon@deped.gov.ph). DepEd assures the public that the information provided shall be treated with utmost confidentiality. It also encourages the public to directly report any nefarious activity to the pertinent law enforcement agencies such as the Philippine National Police and the National Bureau of Investigation for entrapment, investigation, and the filing of formal criminal charges.

10. This Memorandum is issued to reinforce the Department's commitment to good governance and the proper stewardship of public resources, ensuring that all procurement activities serve the best interest of the Filipino people.

11. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.



By Authority of the Secretary:

  
**PETER IRVING C. CORVERA**  
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Head of Procuring Entity

Reference:  
None

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