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DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. 733, s. 2019

**INFORMATION AND ADVISORY RE: DEPED'S RESPONSE TO STRENGTHEN
PREVENTIVE DRUG EDUCATION IN SCHOOLS**

**To: Assistant Superintendents
Education Supervisors/Coordinators
District Supervisors/OICs
Elementary and Secondary School Heads
Heads, Private Elementary and Secondary Schools**

1. Attached is DepEd Regional Memorandum No. 0650, s. 2019, entitled, **"Information and Advisory RE: DEPED'S Response to Strengthen Preventive Drug Education in Schools"**
2. For more information, refer to the attached communication.
3. Wide dissemination and compliance with this memorandum is desired.

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To : SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS
All Others Concerned

1. The Department of Education (DepEd) has been exerting efforts geared towards strengthening the advocacy in the anti-drug prevention. In coordination with the Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency (PDEA), DepEd conducted several trainings, workshops to School Heads (secondary), Health Personnel and other focal person at the division and school level in line with the **Republic Act 9165 or the Comprehensive Dangerous Drugs Act of 2002**. It is emphasized that DepEd, as a member-agency of the Philippine Anti-Illegal Drugs Strategy (PADS) and Inter-Agency Committee on Illegal Drugs (ICAD) is committed to strengthening Preventive Drug Education.
2. It has been reported that there is a so called "magic mushrooms" that has been used as a new source of drug or an illegal drug substitute being **used by secondary students**. This type of mushroom is readily and easily accessible to anyone. This contains **PSILOCYBIN** that produce hallucinogenic effects on the user that has the ability to distort one's perception to reality. These type of mushroom can cause, nausea, yawning, feeling relaxed or drowsy, introspective experience, nervousness, paranoia, panic, and psychosis.
3. In this regard, this Office **mandates** the Schools Division Office to strengthen the advocacy in the prevention of the illegal use of drugs through Drug Education Program in schools especially at the secondary level. For more of the details of this memorandum, please see attached communication.
4. For information and immediate dissemination of this Memorandum

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