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Region VII, Central Visayas  
**SCHOOLS DIVISION OF NEGROS ORIENTAL**  
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**DIVISION MEMORANDUM**


**TO:** Division Education Program Supervisors/Division Coordinators/District Supervisors/  
District In-charge Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads

**SUBJECT:** Values Orientation in Classroom Education (VOICE) Program in Public Elementary  
and High Schools

**DATE:** July 1, 2016

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1. Attached is the Regional Memorandum No. 133, s.2016 dated June 28, 2016, entitled "Values Orientation in Classroom Education(VDICE) Program in Public Elementary and Secondary Schools" from Salustiano T. Jimenez, CESO V, Officer In-Charge, Assistant Regional Director in Negros Island Region.
2. For the guidance and compliance of all concerned.

  
**LELANIE T. CABRERA, CESE**  
Assistant Schools Division Superintendent  
Officer In-Charge  
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REGIONAL MEMORANDUM  
No. 133, s. 2016

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**VALUES ORIENTATION IN CLASSROOM EDUCATION (VOICE) PROGRAM IN  
PUBLIC ELEMENTARY AND HIGH SCHOOLS**

TO: All Schools Division Superintendents/OICs

1. Attached is the letter from **MR. JESUS S. ESPINA, Jr.** National Director, Values Orientation in Classroom Education (VOICE)-Philippines, a non-sectarian, Non-Governmental Organization, through Joel N. Fortugaleza, VDICE In-Charge for Negros Oriental, re: Request-permission for volunteers from community groups/churches to be allowed to teach the VOICE values curriculum in the public elementary and secondary schools in NIR.
2. This office appreciates the endeavors of the VOICE program- in complementing the DepEd as it strengthen students' God-based values to become productive members of the society.
3. Hence, this office interposes no objection of the activities of the VOICE in the public elementary and high schools provided that all concerned school officials will adhere to the no-disruption-of-classes as stipulated in DepEd Order No. 9, s. 2005, entitled *Instituting Measures to Increase Engaged Time-on-Task, and ensure compliance therewith.*
4. For information and compliance.

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**DR. GILBERT T. SADSAD**  
DepEd Regional Director  
Negros Island Region

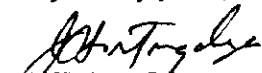
Dear Sir,

Warm greetings to you!

Enclosed is a letter from Mr. Jesus S Espina, Jr., National Director, VOICE Philippines, dated June 14, 2016 inviting attention to the request-permission for volunteers from community groups/churches to be allowed to teach the VOICE values curriculum in NIR specifically in Negros Oriental public elementary and high schools to strengthen the moral and ethical fiber of the youth.

Thanks for considering our request and we look forward to your favourable response.

Respectfully yours,



**JOEL N. FORTUGALEZA**  
VOICE Champion for Negros Oriental  
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June 14, 2016

**DR. GILBERT T. SADSAD**  
DepEd Regional Director  
Negros Island Region

Dear Dr. Sadsad,

Greetings from VOICE Philippines. Allow us to extend our warmest congratulations on your designation as the first DepEd Regional Director for the new Negros Island Region.

VOICE is a non-sectarian, PCNC-accredited (for Philippine Council for NGO Certification) national NGO whose advocacy is to inculcate God-based values to the younger generation. In line with the Constitution (the Preamble's "Imploing the aid of Almighty God", Art. II Sect. 13, Art. IV Sect. 3.2) and the Moral Recovery Program of the government, VOICE for more than a decade now has collaborated with DepEd in teaching supplemental Godly values instruction classes (VICs) at no cost to the government, in 17 regions and 74 of 81 provinces nationwide.

We are writing this letter to officially request your kind permission that the trained volunteer teachers from our community partners – specifically those from Bayawan City among many others in the island - be allowed to continue teaching VICs in the new Region. The VOICE values program and curriculum have been officially adopted by the Bayawan City LGU for their Bayawanihan values formation program.

Values education is a very urgent and unquestionable need for young Filipinos. VOICE's God-based values program supplements DepEd's Edukasyon sa Pagpapapakatao. It strictly teaches values only and not religion for VOICE recognizes that our Constitution differentiates faith in God - which the State promotes for its citizens - from religion which the State maintains benevolent neutrality. Children will best choose good from bad and do what is right instead of what is wrong if spurred by faith in God. God believing Filipinos – regardless of religion – will make for good citizens.

Lastly, the VOICE curriculum and program had been evaluated by several DepEd regional and division officials with favorable findings and recommendations.

Thank you for considering our request and we look forward to your favorable response.

Giving Values a Voice,

  
Jesse S. Espina, Jr.

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*"To see students rooted in Godly values for personal and national transformation"*