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Department of Education
Region V (Bicol)
DIVISION OF CATANDUANES
Virac, Catanduanes



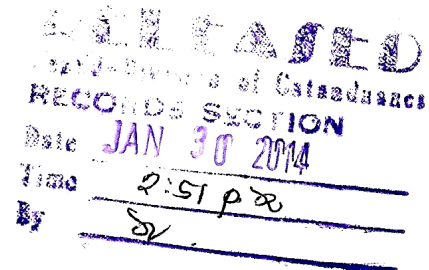
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DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. 9, s. 2014

2014 GRADUATION RITES

To: Education Program Supervisors
District Supervisors
Elementary and Secondary School Heads



1. In keeping with the mandates of DepEd Order No. 9, s. 2013, this office reiterates its graduation rites policy as contained in this order to wit:
 - a. Public school heads, teachers and other DepEd personnel should **NOT be allowed to collect any graduation fees or any kind of contribution** for the graduation rites.
 - b. PTAs may give donations in cash or in kind for the graduation ceremonies and celebrations;
 - c. No non-academic projects should be imposed as requirements for graduation;
 - d. No extravagant special attire or extra ordinary venue for the ceremonies should be required;
 - e. Graduation rites should not be exercised in splurging and display of pomp and pageantry but should be Spartan affairs which exhort civic duties, sense of community and personal responsibilities and should be memorable, exciting and animated without baggage or extra cost and excessive spending; and
 - f. Contribution for the annual yearbook, if any, should be on **voluntary basis**.
2. Furthermore graduation expenses such as sound system, diploma, program etc shall be charged against school MOOE.
3. Immediate and wide dissemination of and **strict compliance is directed**.


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