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April 18, 2024

**DIVISION MEMORANDUM**

No. **226** s. 2024

**Reconstitution of the SDO Pampanga Learners' Welfare Council (LWC)**

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent  
Chief Education Supervisors  
Education Program Supervisors  
Public Schools District Supervisors  
Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads  
All Others Concerned

1. Pursuant to the 1987 Constitution, the State shall protect and promote the right of all children to accessible and quality basic education. Alongside this right is the constitutional policy that the State shall promote and protect their holistic development through the promotion of their physical, moral, spiritual, and social well-being. In line as well to the existing Division Memorandum No. 508s, 2023 re: SDO Learners' Welfare Council (LWC), this Office through the School Governance & Operations Division (SGOD) announces the "Reconstitution of the SDO Pampanga Learners' Welfare Council (LWC).
2. The following are SDO Pampanga Learners' Welfare Council (LWC) Pillars:
  - a. Pillar I: Prevention and Mitigation
  - b. Pillar II: Preparedness
  - c. Pillar III: Response
  - d. Pillar IV: Prevention and Mitigation
3. In pursuance to the holistic development of the child, the council envisions child centered and child-caring basic education schools, learning centers, and offices, which respect, protect, promote, and fulfill the dignity and rights of the child in basic education so they may lead a productive and happy lives as they participate in nation-building. A significant right of the child in basic education is the right to protection from all forms of violence, abuse, neglect, cruelty,



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exploitation and maltreatment. Thus, DepEd issued DO No. 40, s. 2012 or the Child Protection Policy to promote and maintain zero tolerance

to all forms of violence against children. To establish a mechanism to fully operationalize, implement and coordinate programs, projects and activities

pertaining to child protection, the SDO Pampanga Learners' Welfare Council is hereby created.

4. The council, using a child rights and legal lens, shall perform the following functions pertaining to monitoring and reporting of the implementation of the rights of the child in basic education and building awareness and advocacy of these rights:
  - a. Establishes and strengthens the Child Protection Committee (CPC) to all schools of SDO Pampanga;
  - b. Acts as the lead council of the SDO Pampanga to articulate the standards and meaning of child rights in basic education, as embodied in various legal instruments;
  - c. Acts as integrating council for the monitoring and reporting of child rights implementation in programs lodged in the schools of SDO Pampanga;
  - d. Advocates, creates awareness, and builds knowledge and capacity in relation to the rights of the child in basic education, through child rights education among the various stakeholders of SDO Pampanga;
  - e. Initiates and coordinates cooperation or partnership activities within the SDO Pampanga and with other government agencies, local government unites, non-government organizations, civil society organizations, and other key education partners and stakeholders in the implementation of the child protection policies, programs, and activities;
  - f. Serves as the lead council in SDO Pampanga in planning, implementing, coordinating, monitoring and evaluating programs, projects, and activities, including intervention mechanisms, related to child protection;
  - g. Establishes and maintains a monitoring and reporting mechanism for all child protection-related concerns





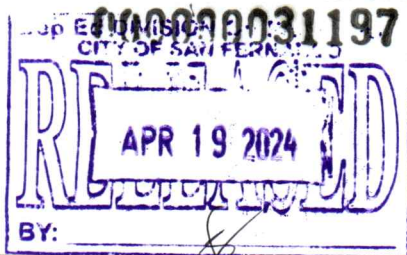
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5. The composition of the council is the following:

| <b>SDO Pampanga Learners' Welfare Council (LWC)<br/>Composition</b> |  |
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| <b>LWC Chairman</b>   | Schools Division Superintendent              |
| <b>LWC Consultants</b>  | Assistant Schools Division Superintendents   |
|   | CID Chief                                    |
|   | SGOD Chief                                   |
| <b>LWC Members</b>  | Public Schools Division Supervisors          |
|   | Administrative Officer-V                     |
|   | Division Sports Coordinator                  |
|   | Division Child Protection Specialist         |
|   | Mental Health Program Focal Person           |
|   | Division Gender and Development Focal Person |
|   | Legal Unit                                   |
|   | Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Unit  |
|   | Division Learners Formation Section          |
|   | Division Parents' Association                |
|   | Social Mobilization and Networking Section   |
|   | Human Resource and Development Section       |
|   | School Health Section                        |
|   | DFSELG                                       |
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6. For more information, all concerned may contact the Division Learner Rights and Protection Focal Person, Chesca Marie M. Soliman, through chescamarie.soliman@deped.gov.ph, DepEd Schools Division of Pampanga, High School Boulevard, Barangay Lourdes, City of San Fernando, Pampanga.

7. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is earnestly desired.



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