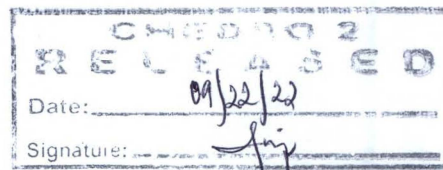




Republic of the Philippines
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION
Region 02



REGIONAL MEMORANDUM
No. 273, series of 2022

FOR : ALL PRESIDENTS/HEADS/OFFICERS-IN-CHARGE OF PUBLIC AND PRIVATE HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS IN REGION 02

SUBJECT : COMPLIANCE WITH EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 3, S. 2022 "ALLOWING VOLUNTARY WEARING OF FACEMASKS IN OUTDOOR SETTINGS AND REITERATING THE CONTINUED IMPLEMENTATION OF MINIMUM PUBLIC HEALTH STANDARDS DURING THE STATE OF PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY RELATIVE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC"

DATE : SEPTEMBER 21, 2022

Attached for the information of all concerned is a copy of the Memorandum from the Office of CHED Chairperson **DR. J. PROSPERO E. DE VERA III** on the compliance with Executive Order No. 3, s. 2022 "Allowing Voluntary Wearing of Facemasks in Outdoor Settings and Reiterating the Continued Implementation of Minimum Public Health Standards During the State of Public Health Emergency Relative to the COVID-19 Pandemic".

Pursuant to Executive Order No. 03, the Chairperson reiterates that the voluntary wearing of face masks in open spaces and non-crowded outdoor areas with good ventilation is allowed, provided that not fully-vaccinated individuals, senior citizens, and immunocompromised individuals are highly encouraged to wear their masks, and physical distancing will be observed at all times.

Further, face masks shall continue to be worn in indoor private or public establishments, including in public transportation by land, air, or sea, and in outdoor settings where physical distancing cannot be maintained.

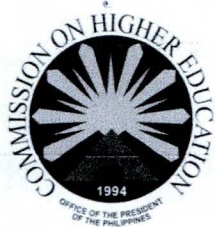
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OIC-Director IV

Encl.: as stated

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MEMORANDUM FROM THE OFFICE OF THE CHAIRPERSON

TO : PRESIDENTS, HEADS, AND OFFICERS-IN-CHARGE OF
PHILIPPINE HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS (HEIs)

THROUGH : CHED REGIONAL OFFICE OFFICIALS AND STAFF

SUBJECT : COMPLIANCE WITH EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 03 OTHERWISE
KNOWN AS "ALLOWING VOLUNTARY WEARING OF FACE
MASKS IN OUTDOOR SETTINGS AND REITERATING THE
CONTINUED IMPLEMENTATION OF MINIMUM PUBLIC HEALTH
STANDARDS DURING THE STATE OF PUBLIC HEALTH
EMERGENCY RELATIVE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC"

DATE : 12 SEPTEMBER 2022

Section IV.B.2.b. of CHED Memorandum Order (CMO) No. 09, series of 2022 otherwise known as "Updated Guidelines on the Implementation of Face-to-face Classes to Prevent and Mitigate COVID-19 Infections in Higher Education" states the following:

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b. Wearing of Face Masks

At all times, well-fitted masks shall be worn properly, except for the following instances:

- i. Eating and drinking in designated areas;*
- ii. Participating in team and individual sports in venues where ventilation standards can be maintained; and,*
- iii. Practicing outdoor activities where physical distancing can be maintained.*

In case of any updates and changes in the guidelines for wearing of face masks by the national government, such shall be observed by the HEI.

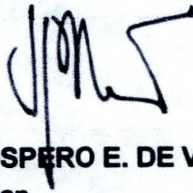
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Pursuant to Executive Order No. 03, this is to reiterate to the higher education community that the voluntary wearing of face masks in open spaces and non-crowded outdoor areas with good ventilation is allowed, provided that not fully-vaccinated individuals, senior citizens, and immunocompromised individuals are highly encouraged to wear their masks, and physical distancing will be observed at all times.

Further, face masks shall continue to be worn in indoor private or public establishments, including in public transportation by land, air, or sea, and in outdoor settings where physical distancing cannot be maintained.

Wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

For strict compliance.



J. PROSPERO E. DE VERA III, DPA
Chairman
Commission on Higher Education

