



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
OFFICE OF THE CITY MAYOR
City of Naga



EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2019-010

URGING THE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS/PRINCIPALS OF ALL PUBLIC AND PRIVATE ELEMENTARY AND HIGH SCHOOLS IN THE CITY OF NAGA TO BAN THE USE OF ELECTRONIC GADGETS AND SMART PHONES DURING CLASS HOURS INSIDE CLASSROOMS, UNLESS ALLOWED BY THE CONCERNED CLASSROOM TEACHER FOR ACADEMIC REASONS:-

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of the City Government of Naga that there are students in public and private elementary and high schools in the City of Naga who are bringing their electronic gadgets like cellular and smart phones, tablets and similar gadgets inside their classrooms and use the same during class hours;

WHEREAS, these actions by students are often times disruptive to other students and their classroom learning processes and activities, because they engage in computer and online games and use Facebook, Youtube, etc., instead of listening to their teachers;

WHEREAS, while we embrace the tremendous benefits of the advancement in information and communications technology especially in facilitating learning processes of today's students, we are also cognizant of the detrimental effects of its unrestrained use or abuse, particularly to their studies and discipline, and jeopardizes the conduciveness of school's overall learning environment;

WHEREAS, many teachers and parents complaining about the low grades of the students attributable to their addiction to these gadgets;

NOW THEREFORE, I, JOHN G. BONGAT, Mayor of the City of Naga, by virtue of the power vested in me by law, do hereby order, the following:

SECTION 1. In the interest of common good of the students and teachers, school administrators/principals of public and private elementary and high schools in the city are hereby urged to ban or prohibit the use of electronic gadgets like cellular and smart phones, tablets and similar gadgets during class hours.

SECTION 2. Schools covered by this EO are to adopt policy on the use of such gadgets and shall disseminate the same to the students and the PTA for their information and guidance.


SECTION 3. Students shall be responsible users of the gadgets and are supposed to keep their gadgets inside their bags and on silent mode while inside the classroom and while lessons are ongoing or in the alternative, in the appropriate lockers to be provided by the private school concerned at its expense or the PTA's and in the case of public schools, at the expense of or with the assistance from the city.

SECTION 4. School principals and teachers in these public and private schools are hereby authorized to get any electronic gadget from students who are caught using them in violation of the policy so adopted by the school and without prior permission from the teacher concerned.


SECTION 5. Confiscated items shall be held by the classroom teacher in a locked box and could only be retrieved and given back after class hours.

SECTION 6. This order shall take effect immediately.

Issued this 15th day of March 2019 at Naga City, Philippines.


JOHN G. BONGAT
City Mayor

Attested by:


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