Republic of the Philippines
Province of Bulacan
MUNICIPALITY OF SANTA MARIA
OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL MAYOR

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 002 – 2022

"REITERATING THE GUIDELINES IN THE CONDUCT OF FACE TO FACE CLASSES IN ALL LEVELS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF SANTA MARIA, BULACAN"

WHEREAS, On 22 April 2022, The Municipal Government of Santa Maria issued the Executive Order No. 2022 – 12 "An Order providing for the Guidelines in the Conduct of Face to Face Classes in all Levels in the Municipality of Santa Maria";

WHEREAS, on 06 April 2022, the Department of Education issued DepEd Order No. 017, series of 2022 providing for the "Guidelines on the Progressive Expansion of Face to Face Classes for the primary and secondary levels";

WHEREAS, the interim guidelines on the expansion of limited face-to-face classes, regional directors are authorized to continue the implementation of limited face-to-face classes of the original pilot schools, and the commencement of the progressive expansion phase for both public and private schools provided that expansion schools have been validated as compliant with the standards of school safety assessment tool (SSAT);

WHEREAS, on 22 March 2022, the Department of Education issued Regional Memorandum No. 145 s.2022 "School-Based Management Level 3 Validation for Calendar Year 2022";

WHEREAS, on 15 December 2021, the Commission on Higher Education and Department of Health issued Joint Memorandum Circular No. 2021-044 providing for the "Guidelines on the Implementation of Limited Face-to-Face Classes for All Programs of Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) in Areas Under Alert Levels System for Covid-19 Response";

WHEREAS, there is a need to allow educational institutions of all levels to transition to the new normal in the conduct of providing education to the people while under alert level systems due to the pandemic;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BARTOLOME R. RAMOS, Municipal Mayor of Santa Maria, Province of Bulacan, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the following:

Section 1. ALLOWANCE OF LIMITED FACE TO FACE CLASSES. The Local Government of Santa Maria is allowing the conduct of limited face to face classes, in all private and public schools in the municipality catering to kindergarten to post-graduate studies.

Section 2. OBSERVANCE OF HEALTH PROTOCOLS AND ISSUANCES. Strict implementation of the Minimum Public Health Standards (MPHS) must still be observed in schools - wearing of face masks and physical distancing— as well as the adherence to guidelines that may be issued by the Department of Education, the Commission on Higher Education, Department of Health, and other relevant government agencies.

Section 3. ADHERENCE TO THE GUIDELIENS ISSUED BY THE GOVERNMENT AGENCIES.

For primary to secondary levels, strict compliance and observance of DepEd Order No. 017, series of 2022 providing for the "Guidelines on the Progressive Expansion of Face to Face Classes for the primary and secondary levels shall be followed. A copy of said Order is attached to this Executive Order.

For tertiary levels and beyond, strict compliance and observance of Joint Memorandum Circular No. 2021-044 providing for the "Guidelines on the Implementation of Limited Face-to-Face Classes for All Programs of Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) in Areas Under Alert Levels System for Covid-19 Response shall be followed. A copy of said Order is also attached to this Executive Order.

Compliance with the Vaccination of students participating in face-to-face classes shall be strictly observed.

In the event that the said government agencies and other departments issue changes to the said guidelines, the same shall also be immediately applicable without need of issuance of another executive order.

Section 4. SEPARABILITY. If any part, section, or provision of this Executive Order is held invalid or unconstitutional, other provisions not affected thereby shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 5. EFFECTIVITY. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon signing.

Issued this 8th day of July 2022 in the Municipality of Santa Maria, Province of Bulacan.

BARTOLOME R. RAMOS
Municipal Mayor

7-11-22