DIVISION MEMORANDUM
No. 80, s. 2020

TO: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
   Chiefs, CID and SGOD
   Education Program Supervisors/Division Coordinators
   Public Schools District Supervisors
   Elementary School Heads
   Public School Teachers/Kindergarten Teachers

FROM: JOSE L. DONCILLO
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SUBJECT: DM-CI-2020-00080
   REITERATING THE AGE QUALIFICATION OF KINDERGARTEN LEARNERS AS PROVIDED FOR IN D. O. 20,
   S. 2018 AND GUIDELINES ON THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE PHILIPPINE EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT (ECD)
   ASSESSMENT CHECKLIST FOR SCHOOL YEAR (SY) 2020-2021 IN LIGHT OF COVID-19 PANDEMIC

DATE: JUNE 3, 2020

1. As stipulated in DepEd Order No. 20, s. 2020 Re: Kindergarten Learners Age Qualification, the age qualification for kindergarten pupils shall be five (5) years old by June 1 of every calendar year. However, the school may consider learners entering Kindergarten who will turn five (5) years old by the end of August on the condition that the Philippine Early Childhood Development (ECD) Checklist must be administered to the learner prior to the start of the opening of the school year, to ensure that the learner is capable of meeting the expectations of the grade level.

2. Consistent with DM-CI-2020-00080 it is therefore reiterated that; for schools commencing their school year beyond June, the requirement that Kindergarten learners should be five (5) years old by June 1 and the extension period ending on August 31 shall be adjusted; for schools commencing their school year in July, Kindergarten learners...
should be five (5) years old by July 1 and the extension period shall be until September 30; for schools commencing their school year in August, Kindergarten learners should be five (5) years old by August 1 and the extension period shall be until October 31.

3. On the Administration of ECD Assessment Checklist and all other related concerns, the field may refer to DM-CI-2020-00080 dated May 25, 2020.

4. For information, wide dissemination, proper guidance and strict compliance.