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**Department of Education**  
REGION VI – WESTERN VISAYAS  
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF AKLAN

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To: **Chief Education Supervisors**  
**Education Program Supervisors/Coordinators**  
**Public Schools District Supervisors**  
**Heads of Private Secondary and Integrated Schools**  
**District Private Schools Coordinator**  
**All Others Concerned**

**Dear Sirs/Mesdames:**

For the information, guidance and compliance of private schools which are GASTPE recipients, please find attached DepEd Advisory, re: Updates on GASTPE and Appeal to Private Schools to Extend Leniency on Payments of Tuition and Other School Fees.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

  
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# ADVISORY

## **UPDATES ON GASTPE PAYMENTS AND APPEAL TO PRIVATE SCHOOLS TO EXTEND LENIENCY ON PAYMENT OF TUITION AND OTHER SCHOOL FEES**

The Department of Education assures schools participating in the Government Assistance to Students and Teachers in Private Education (GASTPE) that it continues to process billing statements for beneficiaries of the Education Service Contracting Program, Teachers' Salary Subsidy Program, and Senior High School Voucher Program during this period of enhanced community quarantine.

During this difficult time, private schools are enjoined to extend leniency and provide assistance to students and parents by

- a. not collecting fees during this period,
- b. extending deadlines for payment,
- c. suspending late payment penalties, and
- d. allowing payment on a staggered basis or allowing changes in payment methods

**THESE, AS WELL AS OTHER FORMS OF ASSISTANCE, WILL HELP SIGNIFICANTLY IN ALLEVIATING THE CONCERNS OF STUDENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES AND ALLOW THEM TO FOCUS ON THEIR HEALTH AND SAFETY DURING THESE DIFFICULT TIMES.**