

PTA Collection Policies

Understanding the DepEd Guidelines (2022)

Parent-Teacher Association Meeting

Slide 1 – No Collection Policy

- No mandatory collection at the start of classes.
- Only Voluntary School Contributions (VSCs) are allowed.
- Non-payment cannot be a basis for penalties or denial of services.

Slide 2 – Voluntary Donations

- VSCs may be collected for recognized purposes (e.g., Red Cross, Scouts, School Publications, Anti-TB Drive, PTA dues).
- Grades K–4: only PTA dues (reasonable amount).
- Grades 5–12: PTA dues plus authorized contributions.

Slide 3 – DepEd Specified Amounts (■245)

Breakdown of authorized contributions:

Organization / Purpose	Amount
Red Cross	■50
Boy Scouts	■50
Girl Scouts	■50
School Publication	■60 (Elem), ■90 (HS)
Anti-TB Drive	■5

Note: These funds must be used only for their designated purposes.

Slide 4 – Contradictory Provisions

Provision	DepEd Reference	Interpretation
'Anytime' Collection Allowed	Sec. 5.12 – Definition of VSCs	Parents may remit donations any time of the school year.
Start from 3rd Month	Sec. 26.2 – Financial Matters	PTA collections can officially start only from 3rd month onward.

This contradiction creates confusion on when PTAs can collect contributions.

Slide 5 – Clarification on Deadlines

- August 29 is only an internal remittance date (class treasurer → SPTA treasurer).
- DepEd emphasizes collections are voluntary and flexible.
- The word 'deadline' should not be enforced, as contributions may be given anytime.

Slide 6 – Key Takeaways for Parents

1. No forced collections at the start of classes.
2. All contributions are voluntary.
3. DepEd-specified amounts (■245) must be used only for intended purposes.
4. PTA dues (e.g., ■150) are decided by SPTA-BOD, still voluntary.
5. Deadline dates are internal reminders, not strict cut-offs.