



De La Salle Santiago Zobel School

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Parents' Bulletin No. 17

Re: **Guidelines – Possible Expiration of AAVA Stickers as of June 30, 2015**

Dear Parents and Guardians:

Further to parents' bulletin no. 16, this is to update you on the status of our discussions with Ayala Alabang Village Association, Inc. (AAVA) regarding the issuance of new stickers for the current academic year.

Unfortunately, AAVA is unable to meet with us this week, and we are awaiting feedback from AAVA regarding the availability of its officers to meet with us next week.

Therefore, the status of stickers issued last year is uncertain. AAVA extended the effectivity of last year's stickers only until June 30, 2015. We have sent AAVA a letter to express our concerns regarding issues that might arise if last year's stickers will be deemed to expire as of June 30, 2015. Attached is a copy of that letter.

In light of the foregoing situation, we request parents and guardians of students who do not reside in Ayala Alabang Village to prepare for the traffic scenario in the event that last year's stickers will not be honored by AAVA effective July 1, 2015. We suggest the following:

1. Vehicles used to fetch students should carry valid identification documents of the driver (driver's license) and proof of enrolment of the students (e.g., official receipt) for presentation to AAVA personnel at the Ayala Alabang Village gate upon request based on reasonable security screening procedures.
2. Travel time allotted for transporting students to and from school on July 1, 2015 and on succeeding days until new stickers are issued should consider delays that may be caused by security screening procedures at the gate or any policies that will be implemented by AAVA.
3. At all times, please accord security personnel with respect and follow the prescribed procedures and routes for going to DLSZ.
4. If your vehicle will be barred from entering Ayala Alabang Village, please do not confront AAVA personnel nor insist on entering Ayala Alabang Village.
5. In case of any inappropriate conduct of AAVA or security personnel (including situations described under number 4 above), please (i) document any such conduct, or relevant incidents and situations, (ii) take note of important details (e.g., date and time of occurrence, names of AAVA personnel involved, etc.), and (iii) inform us in writing of such conduct or any relevant incidents or situations.

The school's attendance and tardiness policies will be relaxed if last year's stickers will be deemed to expire as of June 30, 2015 and until new stickers are issued.

We regret that we continue to be faced with uncertainty that causes anxiety in the community. Unfortunately, the issues that are under discussion are important, and based on feedback from parents and guardians of our students, and our own evaluation of what will serve the best interest and well-being of our students.

As stated in parents bulletin no. 16, the remaining issues include: (i) whether to require application forms to be notarized and whether parents and guardians will be made to sign statements that reference possible criminal liability in relation to the application for stickers; (ii) the pricing scheme for the stickers; (iii) the number of stickers to be issued to families entitled to stickers; (iv) the signing of a memorandum of agreement that will govern the traffic management and community relations plan of the school; (v) the creation of a multi-sectoral committee that will implement the sticker policy to be adopted by AAVA and DLSZ and will adopt other policies regarding traffic management and community relations around the campus of DLSZ; and (vi) the resolution of the lawsuits relating to the color coding scheme. While we expect these issues to be trivialized by some sectors of the community, we also believe that the controversy between AAVA and DLSZ cannot be resolved unless these issues are fully addressed.

We thank you for your continued patience and cooperation and we request that you join us in praying for the final resolution of the protracted controversy. We will issue parents bulletins as developments occur.

If you have any questions, comments, concerns, or suggestions, please feel free to communicate with DLSZ's Advancement & Communications Office at 771-DLSZ local 748 or adcomm@dlszobel.edu.ph.

Yours in St. La Salle,



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cc Board of Governors, AAVA