

DIVISION ADVISORY No. 040, s. 2026

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SUPPORT FOR THE PHILIPPINE SCIENCE HIGH SCHOOL NATIONAL COMPETITIVE EXAMINATION (NCE) INFORMATION CAMPAIGN AND CARAVAN

This is in reference to the endorsement from the Office of the City Mayor on the ***request for support for the Philippine Science High School National Competitive Examination Information Campaign and Caravan***. This is in preparation for the 2027 National Competitive Examination, which serves as the qualifying examination for Philippine Science High School (PSHS) admission.

The ***deadline*** to file ***applications is November 07, 2026***. Further, ***application forms and other details are available at nce.pshs.edu.ph***. The ***NCE is scheduled for January 30, 2027***. Hence, School Heads are enjoined to encourage learners interested to apply.

It is reiterated that participation in the activity strictly adheres to the provisions of DepEd Order No. 09, s. 2005 entitled: ***"Instituting Measures to Increase Engaged Time-on-Task and Ensuring Compliance Therewith"***.

All other details are attached for your reference.

For information and immediate dissemination.



Republic of the Philippines
City Government of Tacurong

OFFICE OF THE CITY MAYOR



1ST ENDORSEMENT

August 25, 2026

Respectfully forwarded to **CARLOS G. SUSARNO, CESO VI**, OIC-Schools Division Superintendent of the City Schools Division of Tacurong Attention: **Ma. Dianne Joy R. dela Fuente**, Local School Board (LSB) Secretary the attached letter request from Rochelle T. Papasin, Ph.D., Campus Director of Philippine Science High School SOCCSKSARGEN Region Campus in Koronadal City subj: Request for Support for the Philippine Science High School National Competitive Examination (NCE) Information Campaign and Caravan.

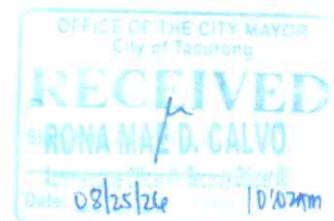
For your information and appropriate action.


LINA D. MONTILLA; PhD
City Mayor

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August 6, 2026

HON. LINA O. MONTILLA
City Mayor
City Government of Tacurong
Office of the City Mayor
City Hall, National Highway
Tacurong City, Sultan Kudarat



Subject: Request for Support for the Philippine Science High School National Competitive Examination (NCE) Information Campaign and Caravan

Dear Mayor Montilla:

Warm greetings from the Department of Science and Technology – Philippine Science High School System (DOST-PSHS System)!

The Philippine Science High School System (PSHS), the country's premier science high school established to develop scientifically gifted Filipino youth, will be conducting its **National Competitive Examination (NCE) Information Campaign and Caravan** in preparation for the **2027 National Competitive Examination (NCE)**, which serves as the qualifying examination for admission to PSHS. Through this initiative, we aim to reach deserving Grade 6 pupils who demonstrate aptitude and strong potential in science, mathematics, and technology and encourage them to pursue quality STEM education through the Philippine Science High School System.

In this regard, we respectfully seek the support of the City Government of **Tacurong** in promoting the NCE within your locality. Specifically, we request your assistance in any of the following:

- Disseminating information on the PSHS National Competitive Examination through the City Government's official communication channels;
- Facilitating coordination with public and private elementary schools within your jurisdiction;
- Encouraging qualified Grade 6 pupils, particularly those with demonstrated aptitude in science and mathematics, to apply for admission to the Philippine Science High School;
- Assisting, where feasible, in the conduct of information sessions or caravans by providing an appropriate venue, vehicle, or logistical support; and
- Endorsing and promoting the NCE campaign as part of the local government's commitment to educational excellence and human capital development.

Please be informed of the following important dates for the **2027 National Competitive Examination**:

- **Deadline for filing of applications: 07 November 2026**

- **Application forms:** Available online through the official Philippine Science High School website (nce.pshs.edu.ph) or in person at any PSHS campus, DOST Regional Office, or Provincial Science and Technology Office (PSTO)
- **National Competitive Examination: 30 January 2027**

The Philippine Science High School System has consistently produced graduates who have excelled in science, engineering, medicine, technology, research, public service, and other fields that contribute significantly to national development. Through your support, we can reach more deserving learners from your locality and provide them the opportunity to become future scientists, engineers, innovators, and technology leaders.

We sincerely hope for your favorable support and partnership in this important endeavor. Should you require further information or wish to coordinate with our campus regarding the campaign activities, please feel free to contact the NCE Secretariat at +63917-700-4562 or email us at nce@src.pshs.edu.ph or registrar@src.pshs.edu.ph.

Thank you very much for your continued commitment to advancing quality education and empowering the youth of your community.

Respectfully yours,



ROCHELLE T. PAPASIN, Ph.D.
Campus Director
PSHS-SRC in Koronadal City