



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
CARAGA REGION



REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

No. **0304**, s. 2024

To: Schools Division Superintendents
This Region

2024 NATIONAL SCIENCE CLUB MONTH (NSCM 2024)

1. The **Pambansang Kapisanan ng mga Kabataan Samahan ng Agham (Philippine Society of Youth Science Clubs or PSYSC), Inc.** announces the celebration of 2024 National Science Club Month (NSCM 2024) with the theme **"Climaquest: Forecasting Wind Shifts, Charting Climate Features"** pursuant to Presidential Proclamation No. 264, s. of 2002 which declares September as the National Science Club Month (NSCM).

2. The NSCM 2024 celebration aims to:

- provide a venue for learning science, technology and environment outside the four walls of the classroom;
- foster camaraderie and develop leadership skills among the Science Clubbers; and
- encourage active participation of students and teachers in the NSCM and hence, the Science Clubbing Movement.

3. To accomplish its objectives, the following activities will be conducted: National Science Club Summit (SUMMIT), I Teach Science Seminar (ITSS), PSYSC Science Olympiad (PSO) Regional Eliminations, and Mathematics, Science, At Kapaligiran (MSKA) Interactive and Engineering Challenge. Attached to this Memorandum is a description of the aforementioned events. The target participants are elementary to senior high school students (Grades 1-12), and science teachers from both public and private schools.

4. NSCM 2024 is a month-long celebration with the following dates and venues:

Event	Regional Site*	Date
SUMMIT	Regions 1, 2, 4A, 6, 9, 10, 12 and 13	Sept. 14-15, 2024
SUMMIT - ITSS		
MSKA Interactive and Engineering Science Challenge		Sept. 15, 2024
PSO National Eliminations		Sept. 14, 2024
PSO National Eliminations (Independent Sites)**	NCR, CAR and Region 4B (in Palawan)	Sept. 14, 2024
MSKA Proper	NCR	Sept. 28, 2024
MSKA Proper - ITSS		
PSO National Finals	NCR	Oct. 5, 2024
PSO National Finals - ITSS		

*The specific venues in each regional site are to be announced.

**PSO National Eliminations Independent Sites are standalone sites where ONLY PSO National Eliminations are going to be held.



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5. Participation of both public and private schools shall be subject to the no-disruption-of-classes policy stipulated in DepEd Order No. 9, s. 2005 entitled Instituting Measures to Increase Engaged Time-on-Task and Ensuring Compliance Therewith.
6. Participation of public-school teachers and learners in the region is voluntary, and expenses are personal.
7. For the details on the venues and how to join the different competitions, including application and registration, complete guidelines for competitions, deadlines and important announcements, please refer to our Facebook Page (www.facebook.com/psysc.nscm) or reach us at nscm@psysc.org
8. Immediate and wide dissemination of this memorandum is earnestly desired.

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Officer-in-Charge
Office of the Regional Director

Encls.: None

Reference: None

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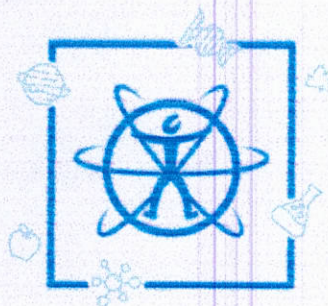
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Dear Dr. Asuncion:

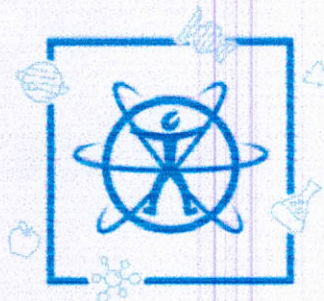
Greetings from the Science Clubbing Movement!

The **Pambansang Kapisanan ng mga Kabataan Samahan na Agham (PSYSC), Inc.**, the first and largest umbrella organization for science clubs in the Philippines, has been continuously working in delivering quality programs and activities to elementary and high school science enthusiasts across the nation to promote the core thrust of the organization, the **public understanding of science, technology and environment (PUSTE)**.

The organization annually celebrates the National Science Club Month (NSCM) every September, as mandated by the Presidential Proclamation No. 264, s. Of 2002. It is a month-long event kickstarted by its flagship event the **National Science Clubs Summit (SUMMIT)**, a one-and-a-half-day event of lectures, workshops and other exciting activities that promote not only ST&E, but also camaraderie among elementary, junior high school and senior high school science club members; **PSYSC Science Olympiad (PSO)**, an established annual nationwide inter-school science quiz competition for high school and elementary students; **Mathematics, Science, At Kapaligiran (MSKA)**, an event composed of different science workshops with a regional leg held during SUMMIT and a nationals competition during the MSKA Proper in NCR; and **I Teach Science Seminar (ITSS)**, an activity focused on sharing pedagogical approaches in teaching fun lectures and workshops for science teachers. For this year's iteration, the topic of NSCM is **Climatology** with the theme **ClimaQuest: Forecasting Wind Shifts, Charting Climate Futures**.

To make the conduct of NSCM accessible to science clubbers across the country, we have established multiple regional centers for our activities. **SUMMIT, ITSS, MSKA, and the PSO National Eliminations** will be held simultaneously in several regional sites on **September 14-15, 2024** in **Regions 1, 2, 4A, 6, 9, 10, 12 and 13**.

There will also be independent sites for PSO National Eliminations on **September 14, 2024** in **NCR, CAR and Region 4B (in Palawan)**. Furthermore, the PSO National Finals on **October 5, 2024** and MSKA Proper on **September 28, 2024** will be held in **NCR**. All details will be promptly released through our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/psysc_nscm or will be relayed via email at nscm@psysc.org. The important dates and regions for each sub-event are summarized below:



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With this, we are humbly asking for your help in disseminating information about the event to the schools under your jurisdiction through a **memorandum and/or an advisory** in your region. Your endorsement is crucial in broadening the reach of NSCM, as we nurture the next generation of innovators and problem-solvers through science clubbing activities.

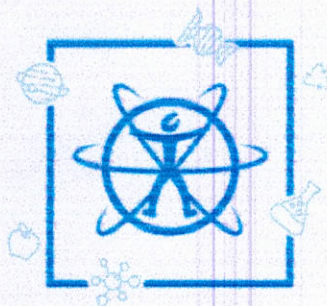
In particular, we would like to give emphasis on including this paragraph in the advisory:

For information on the venues for each regional site and details on how to join the various competitions, including application and registration procedures, competition guidelines, deadlines, and important announcements, please refer to our Facebook page (www.facebook.com/psysc.nscm) or contact us at nscm@psysc.org.

Attached to this letter are the proposed draft of the DepEd Regional Advisory and a description of the events.

We are looking forward to any help your office could extend for the success of this event. Should you have any questions or require additional documents or information, you may reach us at 0975 712 6488 or send an email to nscm@psysc.org.

With your help, the success of NSCM 2024 will be possible. Thank you very much!



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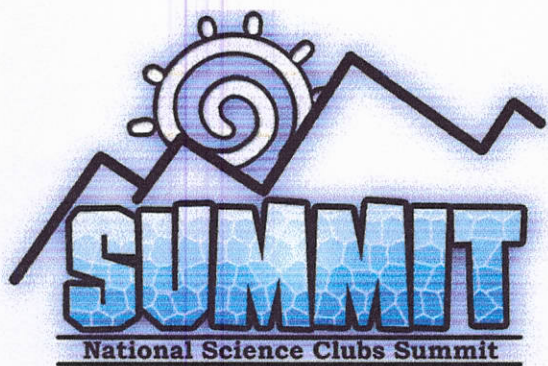
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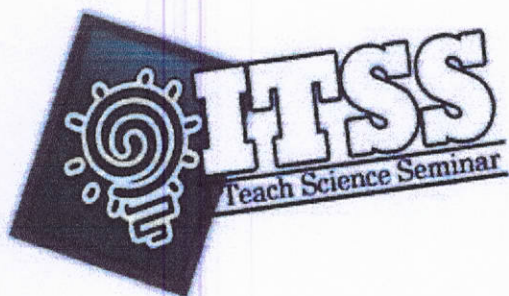
National Science Club Month 2024

September is considered the **National Science Club Month (NSCM)** under Presidential Proclamation No. 264. During the NSCM, the **Philippine Society of Youth Science Clubs (PSYSC)** conducts activities that encourage the youth to actively participate in the science clubbing movement. Through these activities, PSYSC aims to provide a venue for the interaction of science clubs and to recognize excellence through workshops and friendly competitions. The four (4) main events that will kick-off this year's NSCM are the National Science Clubs Summit (Summit), PSYSC Science Olympiad (PSO), I Teach Science Seminar (ITSS) and Mathematics, Science at Kapaligiran interactive Workshop (MathSciAKa) .



The **National Science Clubs Summit (SUMMIT)** is a one and a half-day gathering of high school science club affiliates, conducted simultaneously in different regions. The event is an opportunity for the different science clubs to learn from lectures, workshops, and plenary sessions. The SUMMIT brings the camp experience closer to our affiliates who are not able to attend the National Youth Science Technology and Environment Summer Camp (NYSTESC). Exciting trademark activities of SUMMIT include Sub-camp Quiz Competition and fun-filled Science workshops. SUMMIT also offers the chance to experience MathSciAKA, an event which provides a set of interactive workshops.

The **Philippine Society of Youth Science Club Science Olympiad (PSO)** is an inter-school quiz competition for elementary and high school students all over the country. This Olympiad consists of two rounds: (1) the National Eliminations, conducted simultaneously in different regions, which will be a written exam that will challenge the students' knowledge on various science categories, and (2) the National Finals, which will be composed of theoretical and practical rounds. Prizes would include cash, plaques, medals and certificates.



The **I Teach Science Seminar (ITSS)** is a two-day activity catering to science teachers of affiliated schools. It is an enrichment seminar packed with lectures, workshops, and discussions for teachers featuring ways on how they can make science teaching fun and interactive. This is PSYSC's way of thanking the teachers for the service they bring to the youth and as well as to the organization.

MathSciAKA (MSKA) is an event composed of many different science workshops known as the Mathematics, Science, At Kapaligiran (MathSciAKa). MathSciAKa has been designed to challenge both the physical and mental capabilities of participating science clubbers. It is usually celebrated on two separate dates – every 1st week of September during the NSCM-SUMMIT which features two sub events: the Engineering Science Challenge and the Interactive Workshop; and every 3rd week of September within the National Capital Region during the MathSciAKa Proper consisting five sub events: Interactive Workshop, On-the-spot Workshop, Take Home, Mystery Workshop and the Workshop Fair.

