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Tuguegarao City, Cagayan



Dear Dr. Paragas:

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STAR Fest is a three-day event designed to expose teachers to best practices in STEM education through academic discussion, science show, games, and exhibits. This initiative will also serve as a platform for educators to network with peers, other members of the academe and STEM experts.

In this regard, we would like to invite your Science and Mathematics teachers to participate in the said activities and competitions. We believe that the knowledge and skills that they will gain through the different exhibits and activities will empower STEM teachers to strive for excellence and continue honing their craft. Interested participants may pre-register at <https://bit.ly/2025STARFestReg>.

Please see the attached event brief and program of activities for reference. It can be also accessed at <https://bit.ly/2025STARFestBrief>.

Our SEI personnel, Mr. Love Joy Pascua will communicate with your office regarding this request. Should there be concerns, he may be contacted at the email address projectstar@sei.dost.gov.ph or at mobile number +63912-340-9026.

Thank you very much.

February 20, 2025

To: **ALL SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS**

Very truly yours,

For information, dissemination and appropriate action.

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For the Regional Director:

ATTY. JOSE MARIO M. MACARILAY
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STAR FEST

"STAR FEST" celebrates the wonder of science and the beauty of mathematics. By organizing this activity, the Science Teacher Academy for the Regions (STAR) of the DOST-Science Education Institute aims to provide teachers with valuable insights, teaching and learning resources, and networking opportunities.

Overall, "STAR FEST" aims to inspire, empower, and equip teachers with the knowledge and skills they need to ignite a passion for STEM subjects among their students, ultimately preparing them for success in the 21st century.

The main components of the event include:

SciChat: Experts and thought leaders in STEM education will engage in a dynamic exchange of ideas. This will be an engaging and lively exchange, where these leaders will share their wealth of experience, insights, and advocacy efforts.

Science Show: Engaging and interactive science demonstrations will be conducted to showcase scientific principles and phenomena. Through this activity, teachers can get ideas on how to spark curiosity and excitement about Science subjects in their classrooms.

Games: Educational games and challenges are organized to make learning fun and interactive. These games incorporate STEM concepts and encourage collaborative problem-solving and strategic thinking. STAR Challenge is a battle of STEM skills with a series of fun and engaging hands-on challenges and problem-solving tasks while STAR Olympiad is a STEM teacher quiz competition that challenges teachers' knowledge in STEM through a series of questions. A Mixed-media STEM Art Competition is another segment that highlights teachers' creativity in addressing STEM-related issues or problems within the community.

Exhibits: Exhibits featuring educational resources, teaching aids, and technology tools are set up for teachers to explore. This allows educators to discover innovative teaching materials and techniques that they can integrate into their classrooms. In the Science and Mathematics exhibit area, there will be a variety of activities and manipulatives which the teachers can replicate in their schools. There will also be a booth of other teaching and learning resources such as that of DOST-SEI's storybooks and other innovations.

Networking Opportunities: It provides teachers with the chance to connect and collaborate with peers, as well as experts and professionals from various STEM fields. Networking area aims to foster the exchange of ideas, best practices, and experiences of educators.



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PROGRAM OF ACTIVITIES

DAY 1	
07:45 – 09:00	Registration
09:00 – 09:30	Opening Program Prayer and Pambansang Awit Welcome Message Message Intermission Number
09:30 – 09:45	Keynote Message
09:45 – 10:00	Opening of Exhibits and Pop-up Booths
10:00 – 12:00	Viewing of Exhibits and Pop-up Booths
01:00 – 02:00	Exhibitors' Presentation
02:00 – 04:00	SciChat with STEM Experts
05:30 – 07:30	Fellowship Dinner (<i>by invitation</i>)
DAY 2	
07:30 – 08:30	Registration
08:30 – 09:00	Mixed Media STEM Art Competition Launching
09:00 – 10:00	Plenary Talk (Science)
10:30 – 12:00	STAR Challenge: <i>A Battle of STEM Skills (Elementary Category)</i>
01:00 – 03:00	STAR Olympiad: <i>A STEM Teacher Quiz Competition (High School Category)</i>
03:00 – 04:00	Science Show
*09:00 – 12:00	Mixed Media STEM Art Competition (Exhibit Area)
DAY 3	
07:30 – 08:30	Registration
08:30 – 09:30	Mixed Media Presentation
10:00 – 12:00	STAR Olympiad: <i>A STEM Teacher Quiz Competition (Elementary Category)</i>
01:00 – 02:30	STAR Challenge: <i>A Battle of STEM Skills (High School Category)</i>
02:30 – 03:30	Plenary Talk (Mathematics)
03:30 – 04:00	Closing Program Prayer Message Recap Awarding of Winners (<i>STAR Challenge, STAR Olympiad and Mixed Media STEM Art</i>) Closing Message