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MEMORANDUM

FOR : **ALL REGIONAL DIRECTORS**
ALL SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS
Assistant Secretary
OIC-Office of the Undersecretary for Operations

FROM : **ATTY. FATIMA LIPP D. PANONTONGAN**
Undersecretary and Chief of Staff

MALCOLM S. GARMA
Assistant Secretary
OIC-Office of the Undersecretary for Operations

SUBJECT : **APPLICATION FOR THE NATIONAL COMPETITIVE EXAMINATION (NCE) 2025 OF THE DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY - PHILIPPINE SCIENCE HIGH SCHOOL SYSTEM (DOST-PSHSS)**

DATE : July 10, 2025

The Department of Science and Technology Philippine Science High School System (DOST-PSHSS) is now accepting applications for the **National Competitive Examination (NCE) 2025**. NCE is the official entrance exam for the PSHS System, which is our country's top network of public science high schools. Students who pass will get a full scholarship and a chance to learn advanced Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM).

In this regard, the Department of Education enjoins all Regional and Schools Division Offices to actively disseminate and advocate the NCE 2025 to qualified Grade 6 learners from public and private DepEd-recognized elementary schools within their jurisdiction. Early identification and encouragement of learners with aptitude in science and mathematics are crucial to national development and innovation.


Key Details of the 2025 NCE:

- Program : Full STEM scholarship under the PSHS System
- Eligibility : Filipino students currently enrolled in Grade 6 at a DepEd-accredited institution and meeting prescribed qualifications
- Application Period : June 16 to November 7, 2025
- Examination Date : January 31, 2026 (Saturday)
- Online Application Portal: <https://nce.pshs.edu.ph>
- Additional Information : <https://pshs.edu.ph> or through the official PSHS Facebook post:
<https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1FNZlgWPn/>



We respectfully request your office's support in ensuring widespread awareness of this opportunity by informing all elementary schools and encouraging eligible students to apply.

Thank you very much.

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| August 14, 2025 |
| To: ALL SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS |
| For information, dissemination and appropriate action. |
|  BENJAMIN D. PARAGAS PhD, CESO III Director IV / Regional Director <i>OK</i> |

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