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CONDUCT OF YOUTH SCIENCE PROGRAMS IN SY 2003-2004

To: Bureau Directors
Regional Directors
School Division/City Superintendents
District Supervisors
Heads, Public Elementary and Secondary Schools

1. The Department of Science and Technology (DOST), through the Science Education Institute (SEI) and in cooperation with the Department of Education (DepEd), announces the nationwide conduct of the Youth Science Programs for School Year 2003-2004. These programs are: Intel Philippine Science Fair (IPSF); Intel-DOST-SEI Science Research Seminar-Workshop (SRSW); and the National Science Club Month (NSCM).

2. Intel Philippine Science Fair (IPSF)

a. The IPSF is an annual nationwide science research competition that aims to promote science and technology consciousness among the youth. It also aims to identify the most creative/best science researcher-student who will represent the country in various international science research competitions. Intel Technology Philippines, Inc. (ITPI) is the corporate sponsor of the IPSF.

b. The schedule of the IPSF is as follows:

<u>Level of Competition</u>	<u>Participants</u>	<u>Date</u>
Division Level	Cluster 1 Schools ¹	October 2003
Regional Level	Cluster 1 and 2 Schools ²	December 2003
National Level		February 2004

¹ Cluster 1 Schools = Regular High Schools

² Cluster 2 Schools = PSHS System, Regional Science High Schools, Special Science High Schools, Special science classes in 110 S&T Node Schools

c. Expenses of official participants at the national level competition shall be borne by ITPI while that of one (1) Science Supervisor per region shall be charged to local funds subject to its availability and the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

d. Division and regional science supervisors, science club advisers or members and other students are encouraged to extend their support and cooperation.

- e. Interested parties in winning abstracts of previous science fairs may visit <http://stednet.sei.dost.gov.ph> in the Databases or log on to www.sei.dost.gov.ph/intel-philsiencefair to download abstracts and to get further details of the 2003 IPSF Guidelines.

3. Intel-DOST-SEI Science Research Seminar-Workshop (SRSW)

- a. The SRSW is a three-day activity aimed to provide teacher-participants with the proper knowledge and skills in science research process that will enable them to guide their students to come up with quality science research projects that can be entered in the IPSF. The SRSW is likewise sponsored by ITPI.
- b. This year, the target participants are teachers from the private secondary schools in the National Capital Region and teachers from public secondary schools in Regions I, CAR, V, VIII, IX, XII and ARMM. Official participants will be identified based on a set of criteria to be disseminated later.
- c. The SRSW will be conducted within the months of September to October 2003.
- d. Official SRSW participants will be provided with course materials and certificates of participation. Their food, lodging and transportation expenses shall be charged against local funds subject to its availability and the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.
- e. Resource persons will come from science research institutions or the academe in Metro Manila.

4. National Science Club Month (NSCM)

The NSCM shall be implemented during the entire month of September 2003 with various activities to be organized by science clubs led by the Philippine Society of Youth Science Clubs (PSYSC), Science Club Advisers Association of the Philippines (SCAAP), and the Philippine Association of Science and Mathematics Supervisors (PASMS).

5. For inquiries, contact the National IPSF Secretariat at the Scholarship and Training Division (STD), Science Education Institute-DOST, 3/F PTRI Bldg., Bicutan, Taguig, Metro Manila, tel. nos. (02) 837-1333; 839-0083 and fax no. (02) 837-1924.
6. Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

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