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PHILIPPINE FOUNDATION FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY PROGRAMS
AND PROJECTS FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2017-2018

The Philippine Foundation for Science and Technology (PFST) has designed the following programs and projects for School Year 2017-2018 to promote Science and Technology consciousness among the youth and various sectors of society:

1. *Philippine Science Centrum (PSC)*. This flagship program of PFST is the first interactive science museum in the country. The exhibits are hands-on and interactive, and science concepts and processes are taught not by looking at exhibits and reading accompanying explanations, but by interactive and performing activities which facilitate learning in an atmosphere of fun;
 - a. *School Visit*. A science mobile exhibit with 10-12 interactive exhibits display inside the school premises to complement during school events like foundation day and science fairs.
 - b. *Science Beyond Classroom Project (SBCP)*. An educational initiative that provides opportunities for low performing schools to send students to experience hands-on interactive exhibits at the PSC, which aims to improve the student's performance in Science.
2. *PSC-Traveling Exhibitions* such as: (a) Science Adventures, (b) Sci-Fun Caravan, (c) Science on the Move, (d) Science Works!, (e) Science Sparks, (f) Health Science on the Go, and (g) Mobile Science. These traveling science exhibitions featuring the replicas of PSC's popular interactive exhibits primarily aim to reach places, which could not benefit from its permanent exhibits at PSC due to distance and other cost constraints;
3. *Training, Seminars and Workshops for Teachers*. These activities are for science teachers, either in the elementary or secondary level, introducing the following interactive and integrative approaches/strategies in teaching science-related subjects:
 - a. Hands on-Minds on Microscale Chemistry Workshop;
 - b. Teachers Science Camp; and
 - c. Start Kits.
4. *Science Centrum Foundation*. This is an exhibit fabrication unit of PFST for interactive exhibits with technical capability of developing, prototyping, fabricating and/or manufacturing interactive exhibits and other educational paraphernalia for the promotion and development of science and technology.

The target participants are learners, teachers and school administrators from both public and private schools.

In line with DepEd Memorandum No. 47, s. 2017 entitled *Moratorium on DepEd Educational Field Trips and Other Similar Activities*, schools may organize extra-curricular activities provided these are done inside the school premises to ensure the security and safety of the learners.

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*. This is also subject to the no-collection policy as stated in Section 3 of the Republic Act No. 5546, *An Act Prohibiting the Sale of Tickets and/or the Collection of Contributions for Whatever Project or Purpose from Students and Teachers of Public and Private Schools, Colleges and Universities* (Ganzon Law).

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