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DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY-PHILIPPINE SCIENCE HIGH SCHOOL
SYSTEM (DOST-PSHS) NATIONAL COMPETITIVE EXAMINATION (NCE) APPLICATIONS
FOR INCOMING GRADE 7 STUDENTS FOR SCHOOL YEAR (SY) 2016-2017

The Department of Science and Technology-Philippine Science High School System (DOST-PSHS) *is now accepting applications for the National Competitive Examination (NCE) for Incoming Grade 7 Students for School Year (SY) 2016-2017*. The deadline for filing of application is on *August 24, 2015*, and the date of examination will be on *October 3, 2015*.

A Grade 6 pupil from a duly recognized school by the Department of Education (DepEd) who meets the following criteria is eligible to apply for the DOST-PSHS NCE. He/She must: (1) have a final grade of 85% or better in Science and Mathematics, evidenced by the pupil's report card, if a pupil's grade in Science or Mathematics is below 85%, then he/she must provide evidence that he/she belongs to the upper 10% of the class; (2) be a Filipino citizen with no pending application as immigrant to any foreign country; (3) be born on or after July 1, 2001; (4) be in good health and be fit to undergo a rigorous academic program; (5) have at least a satisfactory rating (or its equivalent) in his/her Character Rating in his/her SY 2014-2015 report card; and (6) not have taken any NCE in previous years.

Application requirements include the following: (1) fully accomplished Application Form in two copies; (2) two identical recent 1" x 1" ID pictures; (3) non-refundable test fee (P 100 for private schools, *free* for public schools); (4) copy of SY 2014-2015 report card; and (5) if the final grades in Science and Mathematics are below 85%, certification or proof that the child belongs to the upper 10% of the class.

Application form can be downloaded at the DOST-PSHS website: <http://pshs.edu.ph/>.

The *examination permits* will be issued to the applicants upon completion of all documents by the campus where the application was processed. For applications filed with DOST agencies, the *examination permits* will be mailed to the applicants, or to the school principal/head for distribution to his/her applicant(s).

In case the *examination permits* are not received two weeks before the examination day, the applicants should check with the nearest PSHS campus, DOST Regional Office, DOST Provincial Science and Technology Office, or the PSHS System Admissions Office.

The DOST-PSHS, also known as *Pisay*, operating under one system of governance and management, aims to provide scholarships to students with high aptitude in science and mathematics. It is based on a curriculum that emphasizes Science and Mathematics and the development of well-rounded individuals and prepares its students for careers in Science and Technology (S&T).

To date, *Pisay* has 14 campuses nationwide, with the additional of CALABARZON Campus, which is opening this coming SY 2015-2016.

For more information or inquiries, all concerned may contact the Philippine Science High School System (PSHS) Office of the Executive Director-Admission Unit at telephone no.: (02) 926-5701 or send an email to: oad@pshs.edu.ph.