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Department of Education

REGION II – CAGAYAN VALLEY SCHOOLS DIVISION OF TUGUEGARAO CITY

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EXPANSION OF THE SPECIAL SCIENCE PROGRAM THROUGH PROJECT STEP UP (SUSTAINING AND TRANSCENDING SCIENCE EDUCATION THROUGH EVIDENCE-BASED PRACTICES AND UNWAVERING PARTNERSHIP)

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent CID Chief, SGOD Chief All EPS and PSDS Public School Heads All Others Concerned

- 1. Pursuant to the goal of the Special Science Program, that is to fully develop the potentials of learners who are scientifically, technologically, and mathematically gifted through an enhanced science curriculum, this Division through the Curriculum Implementation Division announces the expansion of the program to other schools through **Project STEP UP** (Sustaining and Transcending Science Education through Evidence-based Practices and Unwavering Partnership) starting school year 2022-2023.
- 2. Schools who intend to offer Special Science Program shall seek the approval of the Regional Director for the opening of the special science program by complying with and submitting the following requirements at least 3 months before the opening of the school year 2022-2023:
 - a. Letter of Intent to open a Special Science Program addressed to the Regional Director through the Schools Division Superintendent,
 - b. Endorsement of the Schools Division Superintendent,
 - c. Inspection Report from the Schools Division Office,
 - d. List of enrollees who passed the Screening/Selection test for Grade 1 and Grade 7),
 - e. Special Science Class Program,
 - f. Adequacy of qualified teachers in Science and Mathematics with credentials,
 - g. Adequacy of facilities, equipment, and other learning resources to support the operation of the program (Science laboratories, science equipment/tools, audio visual equipment and materials, computer laboratory).
- 3. Schools shall adhere to the provisions stipulated in DepEd Order No. 57, s. 2011 for elementary schools to offer Special Science Elementary Schools (SSES) Project and DepEd Order No. 55, s. 2010 for secondary schools to offer Science, Technology and Engineering (STE) Program. See attached.

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- 4. Screening, identification and placement shall be school-based, to be conducted by the School Screening and Testing Committee. The School Screening and Testing Committee shall consist of at least three (3) teachers, preferably Master teachers in Science, Mathematics and English, the Guidance Counselor or Teacher Coordinator in Guidance & Counseling, and chaired by the School Head.
- 5. The School Head shall inform the Division Office on the schedule of the conduct of their school-based screening for monitoring and the readiness of their facilities for the inspection.
- 6. Technical assistance and monitoring on the preparation of the schools for the expansion of the program shall be done by the Division Special Science Program Monitoring Team.

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Members: Jessica T. Castaneda, Jayson Joseph Babaran

PSDS of schools applying for the SSES & STE Program.

7. The following timeline shall be followed:

	Activity	Date
1.	Provision of technical assistance by the Division	February-April, 2022
2.	Orientation/info-dissemination of parents of the target learners	February-March 30, 2022
3.	Preparation of school-based screening/testing materials; required facilities and documents for submission	March 15-30, 2022
4.	Screening of target learners (Grade 1; Grade 7)	April 1-20, 2022
5.	Inspection of facilities/monitoring	April 1-20, 2022
6.	Submission of the Letter of Intent and other documents to the Division Office	April 22, 2022
7.	Checking of documents & preparation of endorsement letter	April 25-28, 2022
8.	Submission to the Regional Office	April 29, 2022

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- 8. For inquiries, please contact Estela S. Cabaro, CID Chief at CP No. 0917599352 or Myrna Q. Adduru, EPS-Science at CP No. 09190084905 or send message through estela.cabaro@deped.gov.ph/myrna.adduru@deped.gov.ph.
- 9. For information, immediate dissemination, and compliance.

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Schools Division Superintendent

Enclosure: as stated

Reference: DO No. 57 s. 201; DO. 55, s. 2010

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index Under the following subjects:

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