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In compliance with DepEd Order (DO) No. 8, s. 2023
This advisory is issued not for endorsement per DO No. 28, s. 2001,
But only for the information of DepEd Officials,
Personnel/staff, as well as the concerned public.

INVITATION TO JUNIOR CHEMISTRY CONGRESS (JCC)

The Philippine Association of Chemistry Students Incorporated, or PACS, Inc. is inviting learners from public and private Junior High Schools to participate in the upcoming Junior Chemistry Congress (JCC) with the theme, "TRIPLE POINT: Uniting Chemistry, Curiosity, and Creativity" which will be held on November 22, 2025 via Zoom (online activities) and November 23, 2025 at the University of the Philippines - Manila (for Face-to-Face activities).

This year's JCC aims to unravel the connections that shape the foundation of the chemical sciences and innovation. JCC will hold its two sub-event online, **PACSymposium Jr.** which involves a series of talks from chemistry professionals. **TumPACS Jr.** which is a chemistry videomaking sub-event and meme-making competition to further scientific knowledge about chemistry using social media. The other two sub-event will be held face-to-face at the University of the Philippines - Manila. **PACSiyensiya Jr.** which is a research presentation event that aims to nurture promising innovations through a thorough screening by a panel of well-versed researchers and professionals in various fields. Lastly, **PACSiklaban Jr.** which is the annual Chemistry Quiz Bee competition of PACS, Inc., designed for high school students in Grades 10-12 all over the country.

Attendance of participants shall be on **VOLUNTARY** basis and in strict compliance with the provisions of DepEd Order No. 12, s. 2025 titled "Multi-Year Implementing Guidelines on the School Calendar and Activities", DepEd Order No. 9, s. 2005 titled "Instituting Measures to Increase Engaged Time-on-Task and Ensuring Compliance Therewith", DepEd Order No. 40, s. 2012 on the "Child Protection Policy" and Republic Act 10173 on the "Data Privacy Act of 2012".

For further details, see attached official invitation letter for reference.

For other queries, please contact:

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27 October 2025

Tolentino G. AquinoRegional Director
DepEd Regional Office I

Dear, Mx. Aquino

Greetings of peace!

The Philippine Association of Chemistry Students Incorporated, or PACS, Inc. is a national, non-stock, non-profit student organization aimed towards the awareness and development of chemistry in the Philippines. In over 60 years, the organization has persevered to pursue academic advancement in the chemical sciences, scientific excellence, and socio-cultural involvement.

As part of our commitment to promote academic excellence especially in the field of chemistry, we organize academic related-activities that serve to stimulate scientific awareness to students such as the Junior Chemistry Congress (JCC) that will be held on November 22, 2025 via Zoom (online activities) and November 23, 2025 at the University of the Philippines - Manila (for Face-to-Face activities). JCC is an annual academic-related event of PACS, Inc., comprising four sub-events that promote the chemical sciences to high school.

This year's JCC is themed "TRIPLE POINT: Uniting Chemistry, Curiosity, and Creativity" which aims to unravel the connections that shape the foundation of the chemical sciences and innovation. JCC will hold its two sub-event online, PACSymposium Jr. which involves a series of talks from chemistry professionals. TumPACS Jr. which is a chemistry video-making sub-event and meme-making competition to further scientific knowledge about chemistry using social media. The other two sub-event will be held face-to-face at the University of the Philippines - Manila. PACSiyensiya Jr. which is a research presentation event that aims to nurture promising innovations through a thorough screening by a panel of well-versed researchers and professionals in various fields. Lastly, PACSiklaban Jr. which is the annual Chemistry Quiz Bee competition of PACS, Inc., designed for high school students in grades 10-12 all over the country.

In hopes to boost the Junior Chemistry Congress 2025, we humbly request for your help in the promotion of the event to different high schools within your jurisdiction. We are planning on sending them formal invitations and providing us a directory that could facilitate a direct communication with



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them would be of great help. Rest assured that any information you will give us shall only be used for the purpose that it may serve in compliance with the RA 10173 or the Data Privacy Act of 2012. Also, the association respectfully requests an advisory to facilitate the promotion of our event and to ensure compliance with the guidelines established by the Department of Education.

You can reach us through email at pacsincorporated@gmail.com or via SMS (+63)9564178008 for any concerns or suggestions you may have. We hope that this request will merit your favorable consideration.

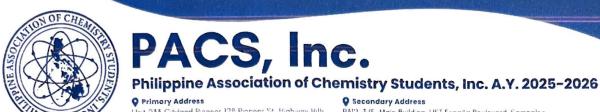
Thank you and may God bless us all!

Sincerely,

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ORGANIZATIONAL PROFILE

The Philippine Association of Chemistry Students Incorporated (PACS, Inc.) is a strong and dynamic national student organization of proactive and conscientious Filipino Chemistry students committed to upholding excellence in the study and application of chemistry, which is responsive to the needs of the nation. Its population is composed of undergraduate chemists, biochemists, chemical engineers and other professions tied together by the chemical sciences.

Since its establishment in 1964, PACS, Inc. continues to promote the advancement and application of science, particularly chemistry, to all Filipino students through spearheading various projects and activities aimed towards increased competence in chemistry, scientific excellence, and socio-cultural awareness. It now houses more than 1000 individual members and alumni from its 17 different affiliate organizations nationwide, and its two (2) chapters - PACSVis and PACSMin.

With similar endeavors, PACS, Inc. also serves as the student arm of the Philippine Federation of Chemistry Societies (PFCS), an umbrella organization founded in 1988 to reach and provide service to professional chemists, chemical technicians, educators, students, and professionals in the allied disciplines.



