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## Dear Director Ricafort:

The Department of Science and Technology - CALABARZON (DOST-CALABARZON) will be celebrating its Regional Science and Technology Week (RSTW) alongside with the Regional Invention Contest and Exhibits (RICE) on September 25-27, 2019 at Santa Rosa Multi-Purpose Complex, City of Sta. Rosa, Laguna.

Following the theme of "Science for the People: Technologies for Sustainable Development", this back-to-back S&T event will highlight the innovativeness and inventiveness of the students, start-ups, and young professionals through different contests and fora. A Technology Talk about Smart Governance in Smart Cities will also be featured in support to DOST Secretary Fortunato T, de la Peña's banner program on technology promotion, adoption, and commercialization. Moreover, interactive exhibits on DOST's innovative and special projects as well the inventions of the contestants and invited public and private organizations will be displayed during this three-day S&T celebration to further encourage and motivate the participants in the Science, Technology, and Innovation (STI) field.

Along with the celebration of the RSTW and RICE, the DOST-CALABARZON will be holding a forum entitled "Forum on Challenges of the 21st Century Learning and Orientation on Invent School Program" on September 25, 2019, 1 pm at Santa Rosa Multi-Purpose Complex, City of Santa Rosa, Laguna. This aims to inculcate creative thinking and inventiveness among students to entice them to pursue activities leading to creativeness in solving problems in industrial applications and to support the development of 21st century skills and bridge the technological gap between teachers and students, 21st century skills being Collaboration, Critical Thinking, Communication and Creativity as the four common core among others.

In this regard, we would like to request for a Regional Memorandum / Advisory to encourage the elementary to senior high school students and teachers to attend the abovementioned forum and to visit the exhibits in the RSTW on the said dates. Participants may pre-register through this link: http://bit.ly/rstw\_2019.

Our coordinator, Charles Andrew M. Reyes, will keep in touch with you regarding this invitation. Should you have any query, please do not hesitate to contact us through telephone at 049 536 5013 / 049 536 4997 or through email at cmreyes1687@gmail.com. 10 all my form and

Hoping for your favorable response. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

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