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In compliance with DepEd Order (DO) No. 8, s. 2013  
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**GOKONGWEI BROTHERS FOUNDATION STEM COLLAB PROGRAM**

Attached is a communication from Ms. Candice D. Jungao, Education Programs Manager of Gokongwei Brothers Foundation (GBF) dated July 14, 2023.

The GBF will conduct various learning activities through their STEM Collab Community Program.

The program aims to provide an engaging community, peer-learning platform, and capacity-building programs for STEM educators.

The target participants are classroom teachers, principals/school heads, supervisors, coordinators, and department heads from both public and private schools.

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*.

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Considering that this is an Advisory, Schools Division Superintendents are given the discretion to act on this matter.

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**EVELYN R. FETALVERO, CESO IV**  
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Dear Director Fetalvero:

Greetings from the Gokongwei Brothers Foundation (GBF)!

GBF is dedicated to contributing to the country's progress by providing quality education to our future workforce, particularly in the fields of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM). We aim to uplift the quality of STEM Education of learners through building competencies of STEM Educators.

GBF's STEM Collab is an engaged community, a peer-learning platform, and a capacity-building program for STEM Educators. By being part of our community, members will have free access to the following:

- PPST-aligned webinars streamed live via our Facebook page
- Meet-ups and synchronous open space discussions held via Zoom
- Our library of teaching resources, classroom materials, and LAC session guides
- Certificates, awards, and prizes for outstanding members and *paandar* winners.

We are pleased to invite you to become part of our advocacy by helping us reach more educators who can benefit and participate in the learning activities. As such, we would like to request your support in the following:

- Promoting our program to your constituents through your information channels
- Permission to co-stream our webinars on your official Facebook page

We have attached with this letter the full description of the GBF STEM Collab Program, including our 2023 calendar of webinar topics and registration guidelines.

Thank you so much for this opportunity to work together and build the future through education.

*Walang imposible para sa bayan!*

Very truly yours,

*C. Jungao*  
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Gokongwei Brothers Foundation  
**STEM COLLAB COMMUNITY**  
 Program Overview

GBF's STEM Collab is an engaged community, a peer-learning platform, and a capacity-building program for STEM Educators. This 2023, GBF STEM Collab offers free, PPST-aligned webinars.

<b>GBF STEM Collab 2023 Calendar of Webinar Topics and Activities</b>		
Ka-Collab Brigada: Positive School Discipline	July 29, 2023	Using Positive Discipline: Starting with Yourself
	Aug 5, 2023	Understanding Positive Discipline: Warmth & Structure, Individual Differences Among Students, and Problem Solving
	Aug 12, 2023	Teacher Spotlight (with open forum via Zoom)
Ka-Collab e-Meet Up	Sep 2, 2023	Back-to-School Kumustahan (via Zoom)
National Teachers' Month Special	Sep 16, 2023	NTM Special: Week 1
	Sep 23, 2023	NTM Special: Week 2
Learning Recovery Series: Numeracy	Oct 7, 2023	Developmental Stages for Counting
	Oct 14, 2023	Developmental Stages for Comparing and Ordering Numbers
	Oct 21, 2023	Developmental Stages for Recognizing and Subitizing Numbers
Learn to Teach: Research	Nov 11, 2023	Research: Week 1
	Nov 18, 2023	Research: Week 2
Ka-Collab e-Meet Up	Dec 2, 2023	Year-end Celebration (via Zoom)

For regular updates, further information, or concerns, you can learn about our program or reach our team through our official communication channels below.

<b>GBF STEM Collab Official Links and Contact Info</b>	
Facebook group	<a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/stemcollabcommunity">www.facebook.com/groups/stemcollabcommunity</a>
GBF Facebook page	<a href="https://www.facebook.com/gokongweibrothersfoundation">www.facebook.com/gokongweibrothersfoundation</a>
Website	<a href="https://www.gokongweibrothersfoundation.org/programs/stem-collab">www.gokongweibrothersfoundation.org/programs/stem-collab</a>
Email address	<a href="mailto:stemcollab@gbf.com.ph">stemcollab@gbf.com.ph</a>
Messenger	<a href="https://m.me/stemcollabbestie">m.me/stemcollabbestie</a>



## I. REGISTRATION

Registration is completely FREE and open to all. Our program benefits everyone interested in education, including in-service teachers and personnel from public and private schools, school heads, college professors, and pre-service teachers.

Interested participants can become part of the GBF STEM Collab Community by:

1. Joining our Facebook group ([www.facebook.com/groups/stemcollabcommunity](http://www.facebook.com/groups/stemcollabcommunity))
2. Accomplishing the sign-up forms for our different webinar series, accessible via our official Messenger link ([m.me/stemcollabbestie](https://m.me/stemcollabbestie)).

## II. LEARNING ACTIVITIES AND RESOURCES

Members of the GBF STEM Collab Community, or Ka-Collabs, can participate in different learning activities available throughout the year. Regular updates are posted inside the Facebook group ([www.facebook.com/groups/stemcollabcommunity](http://www.facebook.com/groups/stemcollabcommunity))

1. **Webinars**  
GBF STEM Collab webinars are streamed live on the Gokongwei Brothers Foundation Facebook page ([www.facebook.com/gokongweibrothersfoundation](http://www.facebook.com/gokongweibrothersfoundation)). All previous webinars are rewatchable on the said Facebook page.
2. **Downloads**  
Our library of learning resources is accessible on the Gokongwei Brothers Foundation website ([www.gokongweibrothersfoundation.org/programs/stem-collab](http://www.gokongweibrothersfoundation.org/programs/stem-collab)). These include speaker presentations, hand-outs, worksheets, classroom activities, and LAC session guides.
3. **Teacher Spotlight**  
Members who wish to share their own teaching strategies and experiences may be featured in our webinars.
4. **e-Meet Ups**  
Zoom sessions are organized to facilitate deeper collaboration and socialization among the members of the community. Recognition and awards are also given to outstanding Ka-Collabs.
5. **Community Discussions**  
Ka-Collabs can share their knowledge and insights as they join the discussions in the comment sections of our videos and posts. Conversation starters and ice breaker questions are regularly posted in the Facebook group or included in the webinars.

6. *Paandars*

Ka-Collabs can participate in quizzes, contests, and raffles that are posted regularly inside the FB group. Winners will be contacted through our official channels so that they can receive their prizes.

### **III. CERTIFICATES, AWARDS, AND PRIZES**

After watching our webinars, participants will receive their certificate via email provided the following conditions:

1. accomplishing the submission form and
2. submitting a valid requirement for that certificate.

Awarding of exemplary Ka-Collabs is done through announcements in the Facebook Group. Awardees are then given an invitation to attend the online awarding in the scheduled e-Meet Ups via Zoom. Some of the awards given are as follows:

1. Top Contributors
2. Best Submissions
3. Best Feedback
4. Best in Attendance

*Paandar* winners will be announced during our webinars and/or posted in the Facebook Group. They may claim prizes through sending a message to our official Messenger link ([m.me/stemcollabbestie](https://m.me/stemcollabbestie)).

### **IV. COMMUNITY CARE**

GBF STEM Collab aspires to listen to and address the concerns of our community members. This may be done via sending a message to GBF STEM Collab Bestie at our official Messenger link: [m.me/stemcollabbestie](https://m.me/stemcollabbestie).