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Department of Education
REGION VIII - EASTERN VISAYAS

October 3, 2025

REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

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**UPDATES ON THE CONDUCT OF THE SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY,
ENGINEERING, AND MATHEMATICS (STEM) LEARNING
PROGRAM OF THE JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT OF THE
PHILIPPINES, INC. (JA PHILIPPINES)**

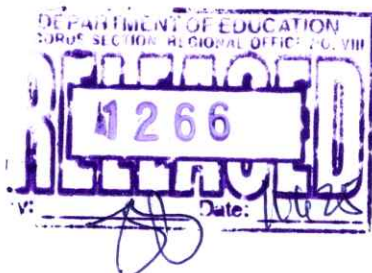
To: Schools Division Superintendents
School Heads
All Others Concerned

1. This Office, through the Curriculum and Learning Management Division (CLMD) and in partnership with the JA Philippines, announces the following updates on the conduct of the STEM Learning Program for the School Year 2025-2026.

- a) The Women in STEM Forum will be conducted on October 17, 2025, 2:00 – 4:00 pm, via Zoom.
- b) The EY STEM Innovation Challenge Mentoring Session is scheduled on October 18, 2025 or November 7, 2025, as selected by the qualifying teams, at 1:00 – 3:00 pm via Zoom; while the Competition Finals is on December 13, 2025.
- c) The following are the critical deadlines for registration and submission:
 - a. EY STEM App Access – October 20, 2025
 - b. Mentoring Session Registration – must be completed before the selected session date
 - c. EY STEM Innovation Challenge Submission – December 1, 2025

2. For any queries, further clarification, or discussion on how the community can best participate in the EY STEM Learning Program, see the attached invitation or contact JA Philippines at coordinator2@japionline.org.

3. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum are desired.



RONELDO AL K. FIRMO, CESO IV
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Enclosures: Letter of Invitation from JA Philippines

References: Letter of Invitation from JA Philippines

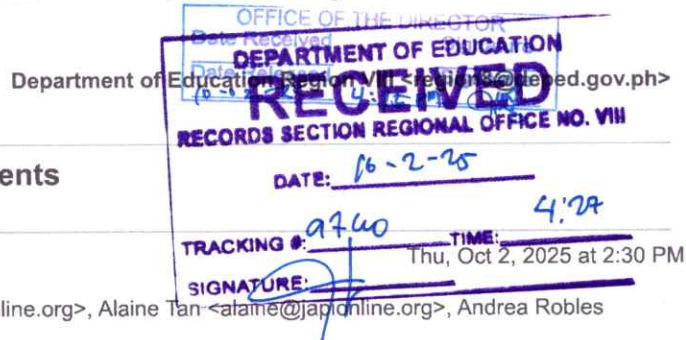
To be indicated in the Perpetual Index under the following subjects:

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Invitation to EY STEM Events - for Registered Students

2 messages

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Dear Mr. Ronelo Al K. Firmo, CESO IV,

Greetings from Junior Achievement of the Philippines!

We hope this message finds you well. Please find attached the formal invitation for **students in your region who are registered in the EY STEM Learning Program**.

We are excited to invite your students to participate in **two valuable upcoming events** designed to inspire STEM exploration and enhance their innovation projects:

EVENT 1: Women In STEM Forum - InnovateHER: Science, Tech & Sustainability

- **Date:** October 17, 2025
- **Time:** 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM
- **Platform:** Zoom
- This forum will provide networking opportunities, mentorship connections, and career guidance sessions. Participants will hear success stories from women industry leaders and gain practical resources for career advancement in STEM fields.

EVENT 2: EY STEM Innovation Challenge Mentoring Sessions

- **Dates:** October 18, 25, or November 7, 2025 (teams will select ONE date only)
- **Time:** 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM
- **Platform:** Zoom
- Participating teams will receive personalized mentoring from EY GDS professionals to **refine their project proposals** and gain insights from industry experts through interactive discussions.

Critical Deadlines:

- **EY STEM App Access:** October 20, 2025
- **Mentoring Session Registration:** Must be completed before selected session date
- **EY STEM Innovation Challenge Submission Deadline:** December 1, 2025
- **Competition Finals:** December 13, 2025

All registration links, Zoom details, and comprehensive event information are included in the attached invitation letter. We kindly request your assistance in disseminating this information and encouraging student participation.

For questions or clarifications, kindly please contact Ms. Paula Patrice Dela Cruz at coordinator2@japionline.org.

Thank you for your partnership in empowering our students through STEM education!

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Regards,

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October 2, 2025

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Greetings from Junior Achievement of the Philippines!

We are writing to respectfully invite the students from your region who are registered in the **EY STEM Learning Program** to participate in two exciting upcoming online events that will **inspire and help them explore STEM careers, connect with industry professionals**, as well as **improve their innovations or ideas** with the guidance of our EY GDS Mentors

The students are encouraged and are cordially invited to attend the following events:

EVENT 1 Women In STEM Forum - <i>InnovateHER: Science, Tech & Sustainability</i>	Date: October 17, 2025 (Friday) Time: 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM Platform: Zoom https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89870752362?pwd=wasFSwXgLCavql2Q66FUW1stTIMixe.1	This forum aims to inspire and empower female participants through networking opportunities, mentorship connections, and career guidance sessions. The forum focuses on addressing immediate barriers women face in STEM fields, sharing success stories from industry leaders, and providing practical resources for career advancement.
EVENT 2 EY STEM Innovation Challenge Mentoring Session <i>Note: Each team need to attend only ONE date</i>	Dates: October 18, 2025 October 25, 2025 November 7, 2025 Time: 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM Platform: Zoom Link will be provided upon registration	Participating student teams for the EY STEM Innovation Challenge will get the chance to be mentored by professionals from EY GDS. This session will equip teams with in-depth knowledge coming from the first-hand experience of industry experts. Through interactive discussions and personalized guidance, participants will gain valuable insights into how to improve their project proposal and ideas .

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Moreover, we would like to remind you of the following deadlines in line with our EY STEM Learning Program timeline. We humbly ask that you **encourage participation for the said competition** and ensure that all students have **access to the EY STEM Application**.

EY STEM App Access	Deadline: October 20, 2025
EY STEM Innovation Challenge	Competition Registration Form: https://forms.gle/ZBeXSiA9kZM8hx9EA Mentoring Session Dates: October 18, 2025 October 25, 2025 November 7, 2025 Submission Deadline: December 1, 2025 Competition Finals: December 13, 2025

For the **EY STEM Innovation Challenge Mentoring Sessions**, Student Teams are required to **select and attend only ONE of the three available dates** (October 18, 25, or November 7, 2025). Please ensure that **all participating teams** will **complete the Registration Form** provided below. This form must be filled out and submitted prior to the event date to secure participation and facilitate proper preparation.

EY STEM Innovation Challenge Mentoring Session Registration Link:
<https://forms.gle/F1Nzfk7VQ7yoPY6e7>

Should you have any questions, require further clarification, please do not hesitate to reach out to **Ms. Paula Patrice Dela Cruz** at **coordinator2@japionline.org**.

Thank you so much and we look forward to hearing from you soon!

Sincerely,

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