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"2020 SEARCH FOR THE BRIGHTEST STAR"

Attached is a letter from Josette T. Biyo, Director of the Department of Science and Technology - Science Education Institute (DOST-SEI), encouraging science and mathematics teachers nationwide who attended the Science Teacher Academy for the Region (STAR) trainings at the regional level from 2014-2019 to join the "2020 Search for the Brightest STAR".

The search aims to recognize and reward teacher-participants who have used their learnings from STAR to make their classrooms, schools, and the teaching community places of innovation and positive change.

Qualified teachers may submit their Curriculum Vitae (CVs) at <https://bit.ly/2Qolfwt> on or before July 15, 2020. Attached is the Brightest STAR Primer for reference.

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*.

More information may be inquired at: seibrighteststar@gmail.com

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

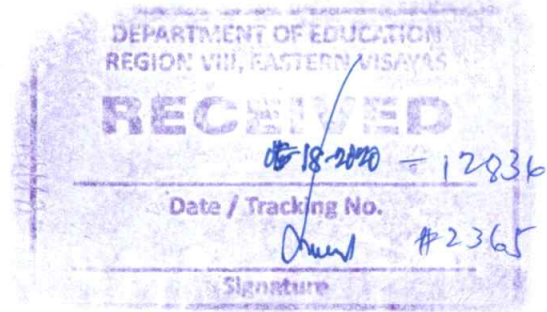


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Dear Dr. Uytico:

We are pleased to inform you that the Science Education Institute of the Department of Science and Technology (SEI-DOST) is launching the "2020 Search for the Brightest STAR" for science and mathematics teachers nationwide who attended STAR (Science Teacher Academy for the Regions) trainings in the regional level from 2014-2019.

This search aims to recognize and reward teacher-participants who have used their learnings from STAR to make their classrooms, schools, and the teaching community places of innovation and positive change.

In this regard, we would like to request your support by disseminating this information and encouraging nominations of "brightest STAR teachers" in your region. Qualified teachers may submit their CVs at <https://bit.ly/2Qolfwt> on or before **July 15, 2020**. Attached is the Brightest STAR Primer for reference.

Should you have questions, please contact The Search Secretariat at seibrighteststar@gmail.com.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,


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PRIMER: 2020 Search for the Brightest STAR

Project STAR or Project Science Teacher Academy for the Regions aims to capacitate science and mathematics teachers across the country by providing trainings on innovative teaching strategies to improve instructional capacity and content knowledge. It now seeks to recognize and reward teacher-participants who have used their Project STAR trainings to make their classrooms, schools, and the teaching community places of innovation and positive change. The search aims to find teachers who best exemplify the STAR teacher.

- The 2020 Brightest STAR is envisioned to be a science and mathematics in-service teacher who:
- has adopted into their teaching practice the skills and knowledge gained from STAR training;
 - has developed innovative teaching materials used in their classrooms and by other teachers;
 - is serving as an example of an effective teacher both to their students and peers;
 - is an accomplished teacher recognized and acknowledged by the community; and
 - is a positive influence to their peers and the rest of the community.

Who are eligible to join?

Nominees must ...

1. have attended a regional level STAR training for the period 2014-present;
2. be in-service during the time of attendance to a STAR training;
3. be currently teaching at the basic education level;
4. have no pending administrative/criminal case;
5. be endorsed by his/her school principal and schools division superintendent; and
6. have not been a national finalist in the previous search.

Categories

The nominees will be categorized into either science or mathematics regardless of grade level taught.

The Search Process

Activities	Details
School Endorsement	Interested applicants or nominees should be endorsed by their school principal/head teacher and their schools division superintendent. The following accomplished forms are to be scanned and submitted together with the portfolio (instructions for portfolio in separate page) at the link provided below: <i>Form I. Endorsement Form</i> <i>Form II. Certificate of Good Moral Character</i> <i>Form III. Applicant/Nominee Information Sheet</i> Applicants/nominees must accomplish all forms correctly and accurately and follow closely the portfolio guidelines to avoid disqualification.
Portfolio Submission	All portfolios and accomplished forms must be scanned and submitted electronically to https://bit.ly/2Qolfwt on or before the deadline (see calendar below). Once submitted, an applicant cannot add or remove contents from the portfolio.
National Screening: Portfolio Evaluation	The Advisory Committee (AC) of the Search shall score all portfolios according to a standard scoring guide. All portfolios, regardless of region of origin, will be ranked according to score and category (separate ranking for mathematics and science). Nominees with the six highest scores per category are considered national finalists . They will participate in the school visit. The Search technical working group (TWG) will inform and coordinate with the finalists in preparation for the school visit.

National Screening: School Visit	<p>The national finalists (six each for Science and Mathematics) shall be visited by a team. The following activities will be conducted during the school visit:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Classroom Observation • Interview of department head/school head, co-teachers, and students <p>The scores in the school visit will be incorporated with their portfolio score. Sixty percent (60%) of their portfolio score will come from their submitted documents and forty percent (40%) will come from the school visit. The sum of these two weighted scores will comprise their total portfolio score.</p>
National Screening: Teaching Competition and Panel Interview	<p>National finalists are expected to bring with them the original documents submitted in the portfolio for the panel interview.</p> <p>The national finalists will participate in a teaching competition and a panel interview managed by the AC and TWG. The finalist with the highest combined weighted scores for the portfolio evaluation, teaching competition, and panel interview for each category shall be declared the 2020 Brightest STARS. The weight of each category is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Portfolio – 40%</i> • <i>Teaching Competition – 30%</i> • <i>Panel Interview – 30%</i>
Awarding Ceremony	<p>The 2020 Brightest STARS for science and mathematics will be proclaimed during an awarding ceremony.</p>

Important dates to remember

Activity	Date/s
Announcement	March 6, 2020
Last day of submission of CVs	July 15, 2020
Last day of submission of forms and portfolios	September 30, 2020
Period of evaluation of nominees' portfolio	October – November 25, 2020
Announcement of the national finalists	December 2020
School Visit, Teaching competition and panel interview	2021
Awarding ceremonies	2021

Important Notes

1. The guidelines for the various activities (portfolio assembly, teaching competition, and panel interview) shall be provided to the appropriate persons as needed.
2. Clarifications on activities and results of the search can be submitted in **written** format to:

Secretariat

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3. The Advisory Committee, with the assistance of the Technical Working Group, shall deliberate and decide on all matters arising from the conduct of this search. Once a decision has been made, this shall be considered final and executory.