

## THE DOST-PSHS SYSTEM MILESTONES

Republic Act 3661 established the Philippine Science High School and mandates it to offer on a free scholarship basis a secondary course with emphasis on subjects pertaining to science with the end goal of preparing its students for careers in science and technology. From the first campus in Diliman, Quezon City in 1963, it has at present expanded into eleven campuses nationwide.

The Davao and Iloilo campuses were created in 1988 and 1993 respectively, followed by that in Tacloban in 1994. The increase in the number of campuses necessitated the harmonization of policies and curriculum to ensure that uniform standards are maintained in all campuses. Thus, the PSHS System was created by RA 8496 in 1998 when three other campuses were established in Cagayan Valley, Bicol and Central Mindanao Regions.

A campus in Ilocos Region was opened in 2003 in response to one of the provisions in RA 9036, *An Act Strengthening the Governance and Defining the Scope of the PSHS System, Amending for the Purpose RA 8496*. Another campus opened in 2006 in Central Visayas. Two more campuses opened in June of 2009, the Central Luzon Campus and the Cordillera Administrative Region Campus. The SOCCSKSARGEN Region Campus opened in June 2013, the Caraga Region Campus opened in June 2014, the CALABARZON Campus opened in July 2015. As provided for by law, the MIMAROPA Campus and Zamboanga Peninsula Campus opened in August 2016.

The PSHS System is an attached agency of the Department of Science and Technology (DOST). The highest policy making body of the PSHS System is the Board of Trustees with the DOST Secretary as Chairman.

### VISION

The Philippine Science High School is the country's leading science high school in the Asia Pacific region that prepares its scholars to become globally-competitive Filipino scientists equipped with 21st century skills and imbued with the core values of truth, excellence, and service to the nation.

### MISSION

The Philippine Science High School, operating under one System of Governance and Management, provides scholarships to students with high aptitudes in science and mathematics.

The PSHS offers an education that is humanistic in spirit, global in perspective and patriotic in orientation. It is based on a curriculum that emphasizes science and mathematics, and the development of well-rounded individuals.

The PSHS prepares its students for careers in Science and Technology and contributes to nation building by helping the country attain a critical mass of professionals and leaders in Science and Technology.

### SCHOLARSHIP PRIVILEGES

- Free tuition fee
- Free loan of textbooks
- Monthly stipend
- Uniform, transportation and living allowances for low income groups.

## CRITERIA FOR ELIGIBILITY

A grade 6 elementary pupil from a duly recognized school by the Department of Education, who meets the following criteria is eligible to apply for the PSHS National Competitive Examination (NCE). He/She must:

1. have final grade of 85% or better in Science and Mathematics, evidenced by the student's report card, if the student's grades in Science or Math are below 85%, then, he/she must provide evidence that he/she belongs to the upper 10% of the batch;
2. be a Filipino citizen with no pending or approved application as immigrant to any foreign country;
3. be born on or after August 1, 2003 ;
4. have at least a satisfactory rating (or its equivalent) in his/her Character Rating in his/her report card (SY 2016-2017);
5. not have taken the PSHS NCE previously; and
6. preferably, be in good health and fit to undergo a rigorous academic program.

## REQUIREMENTS

1. Fully accomplished Application Form in two (2) copies
2. Two (2) identical recent 1 x 1 ID pictures
3. Non-refundable test fee — for private school students — P 100  
— for public school students — free
4. Certified true copy of report card (SY 2016-2017) by the class adviser/ principal
5. If the final grades in Science or Math are below 85%, certification or proof that the child belongs to the upper 10% of the batch.

## SCREENING PROCESS

Only one test will be administered, a scholastic aptitude test (known as National Competitive Examination) which is designed to measure Scientific Ability, Quantitative Ability, Abstract Reasoning and Verbal Aptitude. **The NCE will be administered on October 21, 2017.**

## APPLICATION PROCESS

The PSHS NCE application form and the accompanying material are NOT FOR SALE, may be PHOTOCOPIED, and may be DOWNLOADED FROM THE PSHS WEBSITE, [www.pshs.edu.ph](http://www.pshs.edu.ph). NO RESERVATION FEE is REQUIRED.

Application forms are available and may be filed at any of the following: PSHS Campuses, DOST Regional offices, or Provincial Science and Technology Offices. Application forms with incomplete information will not be processed. Erasures, alterations and insertions must be initiated by the applicant.

The Examination Permit/s will be issued to the applicants upon completion of all documents by the campus where the application was processed. For applications filed with DOST agencies, the exam permits will be mailed to the applicant or to the school principal for distribution to its applicant/s. **In case the exam permits are not received two weeks before the examination day, the applicants should check with the nearest PSHS campus, DOST Regional Office, DOST Provincial Science and Technology Office, or the PSHS Admissions Office.**

The deadline for filing of application is: **September 1, 2017**  
The date of the Examinations is: **October 21, 2017**