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Regional Memorandum

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**PARTICIPATION IN THE GOKONGWEI BROTHERS
FOUNDATION (GBF) STEM COLLAB**

To **Schools Division Superintendents**

1. In reference to the communication from the GBF dated July 10, 2023 signed Memorandum of Agreement made, this Office through the Education Support Services Division request for the participation of STEM teachers in the GBF STEM Collab and to be part of the advocacy to reach more educators who can benefit and participate in the learning activities while observing the time on task policy.
2. This activity aims to engage community, a peer – learning platform, and a capacity –building program for STEM educators.
3. Please see attachments for the full description of the GBF STEM Collab program including the 2023 calendar of webinar topics and registration guidelines.
4. For questions or concerns, please contact **Ms. Candice D. Jungao**, GBF Educator Programs Manager at stemcollab@gbf.org.ph.
5. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.


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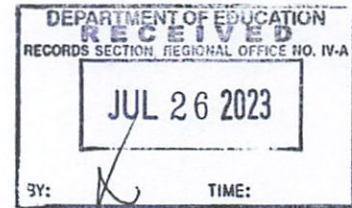


24 July 2023

ATTY. ALBERTO T. ESCOBARTE, CESO II
Regional Director
DepEd Region IV-A

Dear Atty. Escobarte:

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,

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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.

| GBF STEM Collab 2023 Calendar of Webinar Topics and Activities | | |
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| 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.

| GBF STEM Collab Official Links and Contact Info | |
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| Facebook group | www.facebook.com/groups/stemcollabcommunity |
| GBF Facebook page | www.facebook.com/gokongweibrothersfoundation |
| Website | www.gokongweibrothersfoundation.org/programs/stem-collab |
| Email address | stemcollab@gbf.com.ph |
| Messenger | m.me/stemcollabbestie |

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)
2. Accomplishing the sign-up forms for our different webinar series, accessible via our official Messenger link (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)

1. **Webinars**
GBF STEM Collab webinars are streamed live on the Gokongwei Brothers Foundation Facebook page (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). 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).

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.