

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. When will the Competition be held?

The competition dates vary each year depending on declared school holiday periods. The competition date for the Philippines is on **June 22, 2013**. Please visit our website www.philboardstudies.ph for updates of the contest.

2. What Grade Levels are tested?

Subject	Australia	Philippines
Science	Years 3 – 10	Grades 3 to 4 th Year HS

Note: Grade/Year level must be based on SY 2012-2013

REGISTRATION FORM

Name of School: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Contact Person: _____

Contact Number: _____

Fax Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Name of Participants	Gr./Yr. Level (based on the last SY 2012-2013)
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REGISTRATION PROCEDURE:

1. For those who will register on or before **April 16, 2013** the registration fee for each participant is **Php 650.00** only. However, registration made on **April 17, 2013** until **May 8, 2013**, the registration fee for each participant is **Php 750.00**.

2. FOR THE DEPOSITOR/PARTICIPANTS:

Please deposit your payment to:

Bank Name: BPI Bank (Zamboanga City Branch)

Account Name: Philippine Board of Studies Foundation Inc.

Peso Account No.: 2111-0217-27

Depositor should write the participant's complete name, grade/year level base on the school year 2012-2013, school name, and kind of contest to be participated (2013 ICAS-Science) on the deposit slip and **ENDORSE** it to your respective school science coordinator.

3. FOR THE SCIENCE COORDINATOR:

Science Coordinator will collate all the deposit slips and submit together with the Registration Form to the **PBOS Office**:

MR. RONNIE G. APARI

Philippine Board of Studies Foundation Inc.

#700 Alvarez Subdivision

Pilar Street, Zamboanga City 7000

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Note: We will not accept deposit slip and registration form sent thru fax or email.

4. Do not assume that once the deposit has been made, your entry will be automatically registered in our data bank. We will only process and include your name as an official participant to the 2013 ICAS-Science only when we receive the original deposit slip with complete data of the registration form sent to us.
5. We do not accept any registration filed by individual student. It must be made through the recommendation of the school duly endorsed & signed by the Principal/Science Coordinator.

**PBOS REGRETS THAT NO REGISTRATION
REFUNDS ARE ALLOWED.**

Note: Early Registration is until **April 16, 2013** only.

Regular Registration is until **May 8, 2013** only.

THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW SOUTH WALES

and

Philippine Board of Studies Foundation Inc.



2013 International Competitions and Assessments for School – Science

Hey, Kids! Want to be a young scientist? If you are an elementary and high school students, then this is your chance now! Come and join the 2013 International Competitions and Assessment for Schools (ICAS)-Science.

The Educational Assessment Australia (EAA), a non-profit organization owned by the University of New South Wales, through the Philippine Board of Studies Foundation is now accepting registration of participants for the **2013 ICAS-Science which is scheduled on:**

SATURDAY, JUNE 22, 2013

The International Competitions and Assessments for Schools-Science previously known as the Australasian Schools Science Competition is an assessment developed for primary pupils to science diagnostic information about student abilities in core skills areas of curricula. This assessment can help identify students with particular talents. It also identifies the individual student's areas of strength and weakness.

The competitions were introduced in Australia in 1981 and due to their national success were established internationally in 1994. They now attract more than millions of entries annually.

The international competition and assessments for schools has been operated in Singapore, Brunei, Malaysia, Hong Kong, India, Sri Lanka, Nepal, Bangladesh, China and the Middle East.

The SCIENCE Contest assessed the following:

Observing and measuring, interpreting data, inferring, predicting, concluding, investigating reasoning and problem solving.

Critical thinking, comprehension, creativity, reasoning and problem solving are higher order skills essential for success in school and in the wider community. The Australasian Schools Science Competition provides an opportunity for students to perform a range of tasks to demonstrate these sciences.

The Competition caters for a wide range of pupil abilities using contexts that are designed to engage pupils' attention. The competition assesses skills relevant to curriculum outcomes at appropriate levels. The Competition reports provide valuable diagnostic information that can be used to supplement school reports.

EDUCATIONAL ASSESSMENT AUSTRALIA

Educational Assessment Australia of the University of New South Wales (UNSW) is a leading national and international educational assessment organization specializing in large-scale assessment programs in Australia, New Zealand, Asia, India and the Pacific region.

EAA undertakes research and teaching in educational assessment and measurement and provides a diverse range of assessment services in education and the social sciences. It has been involved in educational measurement in Australia since 1967 and is the largest independent provider of school assessments in the region.

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF THE SCIENCE COMPETITION?

STUDENTS

Each student receives:

- a question booklet
- a detailed diagnostic Student Report
- a Certificate indicating the level of success.

The diagnostic Student Report provides valuable feedback to the student, parents and teachers. It indicates which questions the student has answered correctly, the skills demonstrated and the comparative difficulty of each question.

For each question, the Student Report shows:

- the student's answer * the correct answer
- the skill that the question assesses
- the percentage of students who have answered the question correctly in the state/country/region.

The Student Report enables students to:

- identify their strengths and weaknesses
- compare their achievement with the rest of their state
- monitor their progress from year to year.

The Student Report is particularly valuable for providing independent feedback on performance in specific Key Learning Areas.

By participating in the Competition, students are better prepared for standard-based tests. Students can monitor their progress from year to year and gain valuable experience in sitting external tests.

The Student Report and Certificate can be used when applying for scholarships and jobs and when transferring to new schools.

TEACHERS

Teachers can use the Student Reports to:

- monitor individual student progress
- modify their classroom activities to cater for the individual and/or group needs of their students.

PARENTS

Parents can use the diagnostic Student Report to discuss their child's performance with teachers and contribute to the development of an individual learning program for their child.

AWARDS

CERTIFICATES

All students who enter the Australasian School Science Competition shall receive a Certificate. Certificates are awarded on the following basis criteria:

High Distinction: the top 1% of entrants in each Grade Level in the state/country/region

Distinction: the next 10% of entrants in each Grade Level in the state/country/region

Credit: the next 20% of entrants in each Grade Level in the state/country/region

Participation: all other participating students

For more inquiry, please contact
Mr. Ronnie Apari at his mobile number 0905-6301151 or
visit our PBOS website at www.philboardstudies.ph.