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POEM-MTAP SATURDAY PROGRAM IN MATHEMATICS FOR REGULAR AND TALENTED STUDENTS FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2023–2024

The Mathematics Teachers Association of the Philippines (MTAP) Inc. will offer the Program for Excellence in Mathematics (POEM)-MTAP Saturday Program in Mathematics for Regular and Talented Students for the School Year (SY) 2023–2024.

The Program will be conducted face to face for this SY in the schools that will offer the program. The sessions for Regular and Talented Students are both scheduled for six Saturdays, on the following dates:

Regular Students	October 7-November 11, 2023
Talented Students	November 18, 2023-January 13, 2024

The POEM has been a regular program of MTAP for some years except in SY 2020–2021. Different schools and divisions have participated in the program in almost all regions. The program is an avenue for regular students to enhance their mathematical skills, problem-solving, and critical thinking skills and for talented students to be more equipped with advanced knowledge and learn more problem-solving techniques. It was also observed that students who participated in the program were doing well in the Metrobank-MTAP-DepEd Math Challenge (MMC).

The Program is open to all elementary and junior high school learners who are interested in enhancing their skills in Mathematics.

Participation of learners and teachers from public and private schools shall be purely voluntary and will not hamper instructional time in compliance with the provisions of DepEd Order (DO) No. 022, s. 2023 titled Implementing Guidelines on the School Calendar and Activities for the School Year 2023–2024 and DO 9, s. 2005 titled Instituting Measures to Increase Engaged Time-on-Task and Ensuring Compliance Therewith and the policy on off-campus activities stated in DO 66, s. 2017.

This is also subject to the no-collection policy as stated in Section 3 of Republic Act No. 5546 also known as An Act Prohibiting the Sale of Tickets and/or the Collection of Contributions for Whatever Project or Purpose from Students and Teachers of Public and Private Schools, Colleges, and Universities (Ganzon Law).

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