Guidelines

I.   Grade Requirements

    a. General Average of at least 85 (85 and up);
    b. No grade below 80 in all subjects and in all grading periods;
    c. Final grade of 85 (and above) in Science, Mathematics, and English subjects.

II.   Document Requirements

    a. Original and completely filled School Report Card (School Form 9) with adviser's and principal's signatures;
    b. Photocopy of the student's Birth Certificate (preferable PSA-authenticated).

III.   Date, Time, Venue

July 24-28, 2023, from 8:00 AM until 12:00 PM (noon) at Tagum City National High School.

IV.   Online Document Evaluation and Interview

    a. The Document Evaluation and Interview will be done via face-to-face on July 24, 2023, from 8:00 AM until 12:00 PM.
    b. Prior to entering the school premises and/or the venue, all applicants including parents and guardians will be subjected to security checks and health safety check protocols, such as temperature check, QR code, etc.
    c. Each prospective student must fill-in an application form which can be obtained from designated officers on site, or from the school website: www.tagumcitynhs.ph
    d. The application form will be submitted to the designated evaluation officers for the verification process. This will be followed by an interview. The entire process will be done via first come first serve basis. Once the applicant has passed the evaluation and interview, he/she will be given a notification slip with the details and schedule of his/her qualifying examination.
    e. Applicants with inconsistent and/or fraudulent documents will be automatically disqualified and barred from joining the program. Applicants who arrived beyond the designated time and date will not be catered or entertained.
    f. Only the applicants who qualified the grade and document requirements shall take the qualifying examination.

Guidelines

I. Basic Requirements

a. Has successfully passed the online document evaluation and interview.
b. Schedule slip.

II. Date, Time, Venue

July 25, 2023, from 8:00 AM until 5:00 PM, at TCNHS Computer Laboratory.

III. Qualifying Examination (QE)

a. Only those students who have passed the document evaluation and interview shall take the exam.
b. Prior to the QE, all examinees will be assigned a specific date and time to take the exam. Late examinees will still be allowed to take the exam, but he/she will have to catch up with the remaining time. Thus, late examinees will have to finish the entire test within the originally designated time frame.
c. Each examinee is given only **one (1) attempt** to take the test. The test will cover the **Basic Science Process Skills (BSPS)** and **STE Interest Inventory (STEII)**. In total, there will be **160 items (100 BSPS + 60 STEII)** in the test which will only be answered by the examinees for **2 hours and 30 minutes**.
d. Students are not allowed to leave the examination area once the test starts. Mobile phones and other electronic devices not required during the test will be placed in designated areas. Calculators will not be allowed as well as scratch papers or solution papers.
e. Cheating and any forms of dishonesty or fraudulent acts will be dealt with immediate disqualification from the examination and the program.
f. Only the top 100 examinees with the **highest scores** will qualify for the final exam.
g. The results of the online qualifying examination are final and irrevocable. There will be **NO REVALIDATION/RETAKING** of the test by examinees who failed during the exam. Results will be announced 1-2 days after the test. Each examinee will receive a copy of their exam result.
h. Any inquiries, clarifications, and complaints over the qualifying exam must be directed immediately to the examiner or chief examiner prior to the start of the test or during the test.
i. Complaints about the examination raised beyond the examination day will not be entertained.

Guidelines

I. Basic Requirements

    a. Has passed the qualifying examination (Top 100 only).

II. Date, Time, Venue

July 27, 2022, from 8:00 AM until 5:00 PM at TCNHS Computer Laboratory.

III. Final Examination (FE)

    a. Only those students who are the top 100 examinees from the qualifying exam shall take the final examination.

    b. Prior to the FE, all examinees will be assigned a specific date and time to take the exam. Late examinees will still be allowed to take the exam, but he/she will have to catch up with the remaining time. Thus, late examinees will have to finish the entire test within the originally designated time frame.

    c. Each examinee is given only **one (1) attempt** to take the test. The test will cover the **basic concepts of core STE learning areas (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics, and Research)**. In total, there will be **100 items** in the test which will only be answered by the examinees for **1 hour and 40 minutes**.

    d. Students are not allowed to leave the examination area once the test starts. Mobile phones and other electronic devices not required during the test will be placed in designated areas. Calculators will not be allowed as well as scratch papers or solution papers.

    e. Cheating and any forms of dishonesty or fraudulent acts will be dealt with immediate disqualification from the examination and the program.

    f. Only the top 70 examinees with the **highest scores** will be selected to enroll in the STE Program.

    g. The results of the final examination are FINAL and IRREVOCABLE. There will be **NO REVALIDATION/RETAKING** of the test by examinees who failed during the exam. Results will be announced via the Official Facebook Page of the School and other channels. Each examinee will receive a copy of their exam result.

    h. Any inquiries, clarifications, and complaints over the final exam must be directed immediately to the examiner or chief examiner prior to the start of the test or during the test.

    i. Complaints about the final examination raised beyond the examination day will not be entertained.