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**NATIONAL ASTRONOMY WEEK 2026**

The University of the Philippines Astronomical Society (UP AstroSoc) will conduct the National Astronomy Week (NAW) at University of the Philippines Diliman on February 21, 2026, with the theme “Rising Stars: Youth Leading the Future of Philippines Astronomy”.

The activities promote and enhance Science and Astronomy education in high schools nationwide. They also aim to foster good scientific and competitive attitudes, as well as leadership skills, among student participants. Please see attached communication for the list of activities.

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With the theme, Rising Stars: Youth Leading the Future of Philippine Astronomy, the event will be celebrated through a hybrid setup with the following activities:

1. Cosmic Clicks: An Astronomical Photography Contest,
2. Orionids: An Online Astronomy Trivia Quiz Game,
3. Big Bang: Astronomy Quiz Show,
4. Take-Off!: Water Rocket Competition, and
5. Parallax: An Educator's Webinar Workshop

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Participation of learners 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. 012, s. 2025, titled Multi-Year Implementing Guidelines on the School Calendar and Activities 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.

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