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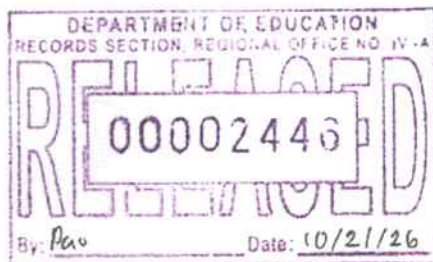
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CYBERSAFE CHILDREN - A FREE REGIONAL ONLINE CYBERSECURITY ADVOCACY FORUM

1. Attached herewith is the Regional Advisory ESSD-RA-2026-161 on **"Cybersafe Children - A Free Regional Online Cybersecurity Advocacy Forum,"** to be participated by parents and guardians, guidance personnel, Child Protection personnel, teachers, school leaders, and learners from Elementary to Senior High School.
2. Please see enclosure for further details.
3. For information and guidance.

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CYBERSECURITY ADVOCACY FORUM**

The CUMULi Training Center proposed the conduct of the CyberSafe Children: Protecting Young Learners and Families in the Digital and AI Age to be participated by parents and guardians, guidance personnel, Child Protection personnel, teachers, school leaders, and learners from Elementary to Senior High School. Concerned parties are encouraged to participate, subject to existing DepEd policies and regulations. The final date of the aforementioned activity will be announced in a separate issuance.

For further information and inquiries, please contact the Education Support Services Division through essd.calabarzon@deped.gov.ph.

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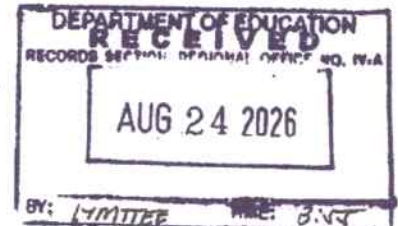
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Subject: Proposal for CyberSafe Children – A Free Regional Online Cybersecurity Advocacy Forum

Dear Dr. Rocafort:

Warm greetings from **CUMULi Training Center**.

In response to the increasing exposure of children and young people to cybersecurity threats, unsafe online environments, digital scams, privacy risks, and emerging AI-enabled threats, CUMULi Training Center respectfully proposes the conduct of **CyberSafe Children: Protecting Young Learners and Families in the Digital and AI Age, a free, one-time, 90-minute Regional Online Cybersecurity Advocacy Forum** for school communities across CALABARZON.

Conducted under CUMULi's **AI Implementation Readiness (AIR) in Schools** initiative, the advocacy is primarily intended for **parents and guardians, Guidance personnel, Child Protection personnel, teachers, school leaders, and learners from Elementary to Senior High School**, with particular attention to families of younger children who are increasingly exposed to connected devices and online content.

The program will address child-relevant cybersecurity concerns including phishing and online scams, cyberbullying, unsafe gaming and online interactions, online grooming, privacy and identity risks, compromised accounts, deepfakes, voice cloning, AI-assisted impersonation, and other emerging digital threats. It will likewise provide practical cybersecurity measures that families and school communities may immediately apply.

The proposed forum will feature the **APAC Cybersecurity Team** for cybersecurity awareness and emerging threats, and **KinetX** for practical cybersecurity measures for homes and school communities.

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In this regard, we respectfully seek the support of the **DepEd Regional Office IV-A – CALABARZON** through the endorsement and dissemination of the advocacy to interested **Schools Division Offices and school communities across the Region**, and guidance in identifying an appropriate schedule during the **first week of November 2026**, or another date deemed suitable based on the Regional and school calendars.

Participation and digital Certificates of Participation shall be **completely free**, with no registration fee, participation fee, mandatory contribution, or financial obligation on the part of DepEd, participating Schools Division Offices, schools, or individual participants.

CUMULi Training Center will undertake the program coordination, resource-team engagement, registration, online facilitation, participant evaluation, digital certificates, and post-activity documentation.

Attached are the proposed program details for your consideration.

Through **CyberSafe Children**, we hope to support DepEd CALABARZON in strengthening a culture of **shared digital guardianship**, where protecting children in increasingly complex digital environments becomes a collaborative responsibility of families, schools, learners, and communities.

We respectfully submit this proposal for your favorable consideration and would be honored to collaborate with DepEd CALABARZON in advancing cybersecurity awareness and digital protection among children and families throughout the Region.

Thank you very much.

Respectfully yours,

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CYBERSAFE CHILDREN

Protecting Young Learners and Families in the Digital and AI Age Free Regional Online Cybersecurity Advocacy Forum

Proponent: CUMULi Training Center

Coverage: DepEd Region IV-A – CALABARZON

Proposed Schedule: First Week of November 2026, subject to Regional approval and school calendar

Mode: Online

Duration: 90 Minutes

Participation: FREE

Digital Certificate of Participation: FREE

Target Participants

The program is intended for school communities across CALABARZON, particularly:

- Parents and guardians, especially families with young children
- Guidance Counselors and Guidance Advocates/Designates
- Child Protection personnel
- School heads and administrators
- ✓ • Teachers and other school personnel
- ✓ • Elementary, Junior High School, and Senior High School learners
- Other stakeholders involved in learner protection and digital safety

Advocacy Objectives

CyberSafe Children aims to:

1. Increase awareness of cybersecurity and online safety risks affecting children and families;
2. Help participants recognize phishing, scams, cyberbullying, grooming, identity and privacy threats, unsafe online interactions, and compromised accounts;
3. Raise awareness of emerging AI-enabled threats such as deepfakes, voice cloning, impersonation, manipulated content, and AI-assisted scams;
4. Promote practical cybersecurity and cyber-hygiene practices for homes and school communities;
5. Strengthen awareness of appropriate response, reporting, and referral when online incidents involve children; and
6. Promote a culture of **shared digital guardianship** among families, schools, learners, and communities.



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Proposed 90-Minute Program

Opening and Advocacy Context — 5 minutes

CyberSafe Children: Why Digital Protection Must Begin Early

Introduction to the advocacy, children's increasing digital exposure, and the shared role of families, schools, and communities in protecting young people online.

SESSION 1: KNOW THE THREATS — 40 minutes

Resource Team: APAC Cybersecurity Team

Understanding the Digital Threats Facing Children and Families

Key areas:

- Phishing and malicious links
- Online scams and fraudulent messages
- Password and account compromise
- Identity theft and impersonation
- Cyberbullying and online harassment
- Unsafe gaming, chat, and social environments
- Online grooming and suspicious interactions
- Oversharing and privacy risks
- Social engineering
- Digital footprints
- Deepfakes and manipulated media
- Voice cloning
- AI-assisted impersonation
- AI-enabled scams and misinformation
- Warning signs parents, educators, and learners should recognize

SESSION 2: KNOW WHAT TO DO — 30 minutes

Resource Team: KinetX

From Awareness to Action: Practical Cybersecurity for Homes and Schools

Key areas:

- Strong passwords and multi-factor authentication
- Device and account security



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- Privacy and security settings
- Parental controls
- Age-appropriate digital supervision
- Safe downloading and link-checking
- Protection of personal and school information
- Basic cyber hygiene
- Family digital-safety practices
- Immediate actions following suspected cyber incidents
- Appropriate evidence preservation
- Reporting and referral practices

Moderated Open Forum — 10 minutes

Practical questions from parents, educators, Guidance personnel, school leaders, and learners, jointly addressed by the resource teams.

Key Takeaways and Closing — 5 minutes

- CyberSafe Children reminders
- Shared digital guardianship
- Participant evaluation
- Closing message

TOTAL DURATION: 90 MINUTES

Requested Support from DepEd CALABARZON

CUMULi Training Center respectfully seeks:

- Regional endorsement of the advocacy;
- Guidance in determining the appropriate date and schedule;
- Dissemination of the invitation to interested Schools Division Offices across CALABARZON;
- Encouragement of participation among relevant school-community stakeholders; and
- Coordination with the appropriate Regional Office personnel for implementation.



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CUMULi Training Center Commitments

CUMULi Training Center will coordinate:

- Program design and management
- Resource teams and speakers
- Participant registration
- Online event facilitation
- Attendance monitoring
- Digital advocacy/learning materials
- Participant evaluation
- Free digital Certificates of Participation
- Activity documentation and post-event report

The program shall remain **free, educational, platform-neutral, advocacy-oriented, and non-commercial**, with no financial obligation on the part of DepEd, Schools Division Offices, participating schools, or participants.