Students attend science knowledge-based workshop

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KOTA KINABALU: Virus Hunter, a science knowledgebased workshop for school students was held recently in a collaboration between Universiti Malaysia Sabah and Penang Science Cluster.

The event that was facilitated by UMS Library and U-Science UMS together with Penang Science Cluster was participated by 20 students from SM St Michael, Penampang and SMK Benoni, Papar.

The program, among others, provides an opportunity for students to delve into the process of vaccine manufacturing and the theories of science and technology involved in the vaccine manufacturing process.

The workshop was conducted by the representative of Penang Science Cluster, Ily Iskandar.

It was divided into two forms of virtual challenges. The main challenge was "Build Your Own Vaccine" which highlights the main methods that need to be identified for the vaccine manufacturing process.

While the mini challenge was "Think Like CRISPR!" which involves students' cognitive skills and mathematical solutions.

At the end of the program, students will obtain a physical "vaccine", Sports Physical Activity Assessment and Cocurriculum (PAJSK) assessment points and a certificate of appreciation certified by the Ministry of Education Malaysia.

The workshop is open to all secondary school students throughout Sabah and guidance teachers can book online for interested classes via the link https://bit.ly/3tvqNYm.

The virtual workshop has slots every Monday, Wednesday and Friday afternoon, and an explanatory video can be browsed via the link https://bit.ly/3k44gyW.

Any further inquiries regarding this program can be contacted directly via email, uscience@ums.edu.my or with the officer on duty, Lorita Gadol (019-539 7002) or Deidre Faye (016-7733889).