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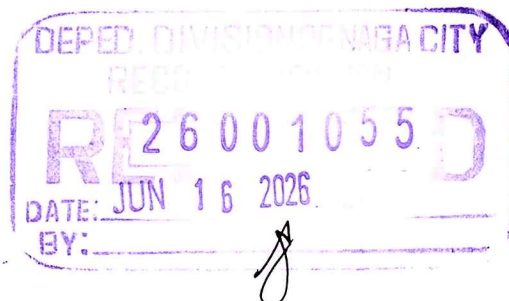
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Re: Jerald Jude Spelling Bee 2026 - Year 1

Dear Ms. Collano,

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to respectfully seek your approval and support for the implantation of the **“Educational Enrichment and Student Development through a Spelling Bee Program in Naga City, Camarines Sur, Philippines”**.

This initiative aims to provide high school students in Grades 7-10 from both public and private schools with an opportunity to participate in an academic competition that promotes literacy, confidence, communication skills, and educational engagement. The proposed program is scheduled to take place on August 1, 2026 at the University of Nueva Caceres. The inspiration for this project began after I placed 23rd in the 2023 Scripps National Spelling Bee. Through that experience, I witnessed firsthand how spelling bees can strengthen students' discipline, vocabulary development, public speaking abilities, confidence, and enthusiasm for learning. Motivated by this experience, I hope to bring similar opportunities to students in Naga City and eventually help expand the program throughout the Philippines.

The spelling bee program has also been approved by the Scripps National Spelling Bee organization, which further supports the educational value and credibility of the initiative. Through this program, participating students will gain exposure to meaningful academic enrichment opportunities while developing poise, confidence, and communication skills in a competitive yet supportive environment.

The project will be implemented in two phases. The preparation phase will involve coordination with participating schools, distribution of study materials and guidelines, and promotion efforts to encourage participation. The competition phase will consist of the official spelling bee event, participant evaluation based on approved spelling bee standards, and recognition of students and schools for their achievements.

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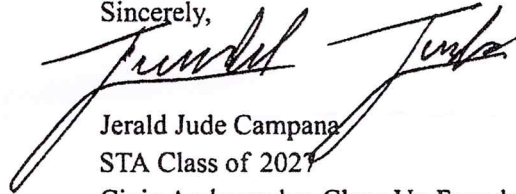
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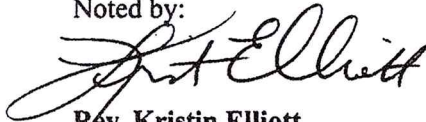
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Proposal Brief

Title	Educational Enrichment and Student Development through a Spelling Bee Program in Naga City, Camarines Sur, Philippines
Date	Saturday, August 1, 2026, 8:00AM - 5:00PM
Venue	University of Nueva Caceres
Beneficiaries	Grades 7-10 high school students from public and private schools in Naga City
Output	To establish and conduct a spelling bee program that promotes, literacy, confidence, communication skills, and academic engagement among students
Budget	\$3,500 USD
Source of Fund	Donations
Focal Person	Jerald Jude C. Campana +1 (703) 625-5978 jcampana@stalbansschool.org

I. Rationale

Strong literacy and communication skills are essential foundations for academic success and personal development. However, many students have limited access to educational enrichment opportunities that foster critical thinking and public speaking abilities.

This spelling bee initiative seeks to introduce an engaging academic competition program to the City of Naga, Camarines Sur, Philippines. The inspiration for this project began after I placed 23rd in the 2023 Scripps National Spelling Bee, which demonstrated the impact spelling bees can have on students' confidence, discipline, and educational growth.

The program has been approved by the Scripps National Spelling Bee organization and aims to establish a strong educational foundation in Naga City before expanding throughout the Philippines. Through participation in spelling bees, students will develop vocabulary,

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communication skills, poise under pressure, and enthusiasm for learning and academic achievement.

This initiative also aims to encourage community involvement and educational collaboration among schools, teachers, parents, and local leaders in support of student development and the advancement of literacy.

II. Objectives

1. To promote literacy, vocabulary development, and academic excellence among students in Camarines Sur province
2. To build confidence, communication skills, and public speaking abilities through academic competition
3. To provide students with meaningful educational enrichment opportunities inspired by internationally recognized spelling bee programs
4. To establish an organized and sustainable spelling bee program in Naga City with the goal of expansion throughout the Philippines
5. To encourage collaboration among schools, teachers, families, and community leaders in supporting student education and development

III. Methodology

The spelling bee program will unfold in two phases:

1. Preparation Phase
 - a. Coordination with participating schools and educational partners
 - b. Distribution of spelling bee study materials, rules, and guidelines
 - c. Promotion and awareness efforts to encourage participation
2. Competition Phase
 - a. Organization and facilitation of the official spelling bee event
 - b. Judging and evaluation of participants in accordance with approved spelling bee standards
 - c. Recognition and awarding of participating students and schools

IV. Proposed Budget

Quantity	Unit	Items/Particular	Unit Cost	Amount
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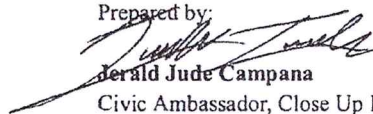
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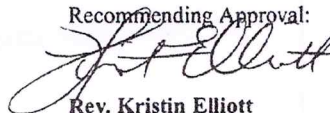
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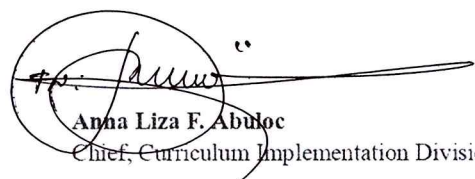

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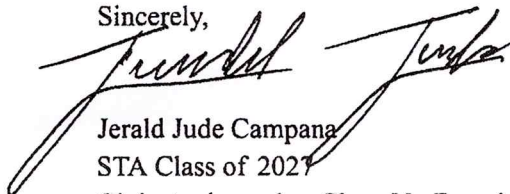
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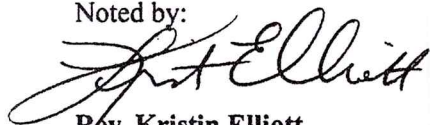


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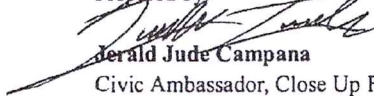
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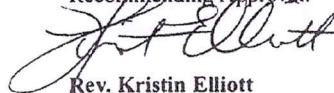
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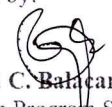
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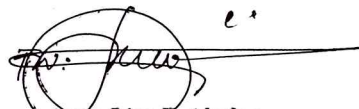

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