

ORDINANCE NO. 2009-064

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AN ORDINANCE INSTITUTIONALIZING THE SUMMER ENHANCEMENT AND ENRICHMENT PROGRAM FOR SCHOOLCHILDREN IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS, PROVIDING MECHANISM FOR ITS REGULAR FUNDING SUPPORT, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES:-

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Be it ordained by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of Naga, that:

SECTION 1. Title. This Ordinance shall be known as "The Summer Enhancement and Enrichment Program or SEEP Ordinance of Naga City."

SECTION 2. Rationale. Having full access to and being able to complete primary education is a recognized right of our school age children. More than this and given our changing complex and competitive environs, the need to raise the level and quality of education in the city is becoming an urgent and pressing concern. In this light, conducting at least remedial classes every summer in all public elementary and high schools within the city's territorial jurisdiction is imperative. Through this, it is expected that schoolchildren's knowledge will be enhanced and/or enriched in preparation for the academic challenges of the coming school year.

SECTION 3. The Summer Enhancement and Enrichment Program. The summer enhancement program is a summer remedial class mainly for tool subjects English, Mathematics and Science. It is open to all public schoolchildren especially those who, after the regular schoolyear, have to undergo remediation on their said subjects. Enrichment classes may likewise be conducted upon the recommendation of the City Schools Division Superintendent and approval of the School Board.

SECTION 4. Program Coverage. Only schoolchildren from Grade I to Third year who have been identified by their class advisers may join the program free of any charge or fee.

SECTION 5. Program Duration. The program shall be conducted every summer and shall last for one (1) month or at least twenty (20) learning hours per subject on a Monday to Friday schedule.

SECTION 6. Objectives. The Program aims to raise the level and quality of education in Naga City. Specifically, it seeks to:

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- (a) Remediate the difficulty of academically challenged learners;
- (b) Enhance and/or enrich the pupils/students' learning aptitude without cost to parents;
- (c) Encourage focus on academics;
- (d) Utilize summer time for worthwhile activities; and
- (e) Inspire school children to aspire and to dream big.

SECTION 7. The City Schools Division, Department of Education. The program will not materialize and the objectives for which it was conceived will not be achieved without the indispensable cooperation and active participation of the City Schools Division, Department of Education. Having in mind that the program is not part of the agency's regular curriculum, the Department of Education's continuing involvement, as main program partner, shall be fervently sought. If warranted and whenever necessary, the city shall avail of the services of the locally funded teachers.

SECTION 8. Implementing Guidelines. The following general guidelines, which are non-exclusive, shall be observed in the implementation of the program comes summer time, to wit:

- (a) The City Schools Division, through its concerned responsible officials, shall:
 - (i) Identify the participating teachers who will handle the concerned subjects and conduct the prescribed summer classes. Preference must be given to teachers residing in the barangay where the concerned school is located;
 - (ii) Identify the elementary pupils and high school students who have to undergo summer classes and notify them thereof not later than the end of the month of February of every applicable year;
 - (iii) Require the parents of the participating schoolchildren to issue a written permit for their children and to undertake that they will oblige them to regularly attend the summer classes;
 - (iv) Prepare and/or periodically review a syllabus for each of the subjects involved which shall be used by participating teachers;

- (v) Conduct separate yearly orientation training for participating teachers in the summer enhancement program and summer enrichment program before the formal start thereof;
- (vi) Supervise the participating teachers and monitor actual conduct of summer classes;
- (vii) Prepare, formulate and administer pre-test before the start of the program every summer and post-test at the end thereof. Within a reasonable time, it shall prepare a summary report of the results of the tests administered copy furnish the School Board; and
- (viii) Prepare and submit to the School Board and the Committee on Education of the Sangguniang Panlungsod a yearly evaluation of the program.

(b) The School Board, through the School Board Administrator and the Chairman of the Committee on Education of the Sangguniang Panlungsod, and in addition to the directive specified in the other provision hereof, shall:

- (i) Closely coordinate with concerned officials of the Department of Education for the effective implementation of the program;
- (ii) Make available to the participating pupils, students, teachers and DepEd officials such facilities and resources necessary in the conduct of activities related to the program; and
- (iii) Ensure due recognition of the voluntary nature of the hard work of the participating individuals, including the prompt payment of the teachers' honorarium.

(c) To ensure maximum learning effectiveness, a one (1) to twenty five (25) teacher-pupil ratio shall be strictly observed for remediation classes and a one (1) to forty (40) teacher-pupil ratio for other summer classes.

(d) The Division of City Schools of the Department of Education is advised to issue detailed operating guidelines for the more effective implementation of this program copy furnished the School Board and the Sangguniang Panlungsod. However, the absence of such implementing rules shall not delay the implementation hereof, this ordinance being self-executory.

(e) The twenty seven (27) barangays through their Punong Barangays, the Chairperson of the Committee on Education and the Sangguniang Kabataan are hereby directed to take active participation in the program by, among others, conducting an information dissemination campaign and ensuring that the identified academically challenged pupils and students actually attend their summer classes.

SECTION 9. Funding. Full funding support for the Summer Enhancement and Enrichment Program shall be provided for under the annual budget of the Naga City School Board. In the allocation of the required fund, the School Board shall favorably consider, among others, an honorarium of at least One Thousand Pesos (Php1,000.00) per subject per participating teacher.

In furtherance of the purposes herein provided, the concerned barangays and/or the Sangguniang Kabataan may allocate such fund as may be necessary to support or augment the funding requirement of this program in their respective territorial jurisdiction, subject to availability of funds.

SECTION 10. Repealing Clause. Any provision of ordinance, rules and regulations and/or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed and/or modified accordingly.

SECTION 11. Separability Clause. Should any portion or provisions of this ordinance be declared unconstitutional or invalid, the other parts or provisions thereof which are not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

SECTION 12. Effectivity. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

ENACTED: August 18, 2009.

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WE HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing ordinance.

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Sangguniang Panlungsod

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