



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
Region II - Cagayan Valley
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF NUEVA VIZCAYA

August 19, 2024

DIVISION MEMORANDUM
No. 328 s. 2024

**WATER BELL ORDINANCE DISSEMINATION FOR
ELEMENTARY AND HIGH SCHOOL IN NUEVA VIZCAYA**

TO : Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chief, School Governance and Operations Division
Chief, Curriculum Implementation Division
Public Schools District Supervisors/District In-Charge
All Others Concerned

1. The Schools Division Office of Nueva Vizcaya through the School Governance and Operations Division- Health and Nutrition is institutionalizing the **Ordinance No. 2024-244** known as **"Water Bell Ordinance of Nueva Vizcaya"** wherein the Private and Public Schools Offering Day Care, Elementary and High School Education in the province of Nueva Vizcaya, ensuring both adequacy and potability of water resources and appropriating funds thereof.
2. This is to protect and promote the health and well-being of its constituents by teaching the habit of drinking enough water while they are young. This extends to all public and private schools offering day care, elementary and secondary schools in the province of Nueva Vizcaya
3. Schedule of Water Bell: 8:00AM, 10:00AM, 1:00PM and 3:00PM. This ordinance shall not deter nor prohibit the learners from drinking water at any given time, provided that they will not in any way disrupt the classes.
4. For information, dissemination, guidance and strict compliance.



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SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN

July 12, 2024

ORLANDO E. MANUEL, PhD., CESO V

Schools Division Superintendent
Department of Education
Division of Nueva Vizcaya
Bayombong, Nueva Vizcaya



Sir:

Herewith respectfully transmitted is a copy of **Ordinance No. 2024-244, "An Ordinance Institutionalizing The Water Bell In The Private And Public Schools Offering Day Care, Elementary And High School Education In The Province Of Nueva Vizcaya, Ensuring Both Adequacy And Potability Of Water Resources And Appropriating Funds Thereof"**, of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Nueva Vizcaya, for

- (x) the purpose therein stated
- () information and reference
- () appropriate action

Very truly yours,


TENY L. QUERIDO
Supervising Administrative Officer
Acting Secretary to the Sanggunian



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SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN

Excerpt from the Journal of the 78th Regular Session of the 11th Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Nueva Vizcaya held at the Session Hall, People’s Hall, Capitol Compound, Bayombong, Nueva Vizcaya, on Monday, April 22, 2024, from 09:00 a.m. to 01:24 p.m.

PRESENT:

HON. EDGARDO C. BALGOS	Acting Vice Governor/Presiding Officer
HON. ELMA PINAO-AN LEJAO	Presiding Officer Pro Tempore
HON. PATRICIO F. DURLAO, JR.	Floor Leader
HON. EUNICE GALIMA-GAMBOL	Assistant Floor Leader
HON. PRIMO PERCIVAL J. MARCOS	Member
HON. ROLAND M. CARUB, J.D.	Member
HON. FLORANTE S. GERDAN	Member
HON. DELBERT D. TIDANG	Member
HON. PABLO P. KINDOT	Member
HON. JOSE D. TOMAS, SR.	Member
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HON. JOHN M. BABLI-ING	Pres., LnB, Nueva Vizcaya Chapter
HON. NICKSON C. MILLO	Pres., SK Provincial Federation
HON. CASTILLO B. TIDANG, JR.	Indigenous Peoples Maudatory Representative (IPMR) Nueva Vizcaya

NOTE:

HON. EUFEMIA ANG DACAYO	Vice Governor and Presiding Officer (Acting Provincial Governor)
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ORDINANCE NO. 2024-244

AN ORDINANCE INSTITUTIONALIZING THE WATER BELL IN THE PRIVATE AND PUBLIC SCHOOLS OFFERING DAY CARE, ELEMENTARY AND HIGH SCHOOL EDUCATION IN THE PROVINCE OF NUEVA VIZCAYA, ENSURING BOTH ADEQUACY AND POTABILITY OF WATER RESOURCES AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREOF

NOW, THEREFORE on motion of Hon. Eunice Galima-Gambol, jointly seconded by Hon. Patricio F. Dumlaol, Jr. and Hon. Pablo P. Kindot,-

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN IN SESSION DULY ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. TITLE. - This Ordinance shall be known as “Water Bell Ordinance of Nueva Vizcaya”

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SECTION 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY. - It is hereby declared the policy of the Provincial Government of Nueva Vizcaya to protect and promote the health and well-being of its constituents by teaching the habit of drinking enough water while they are young.

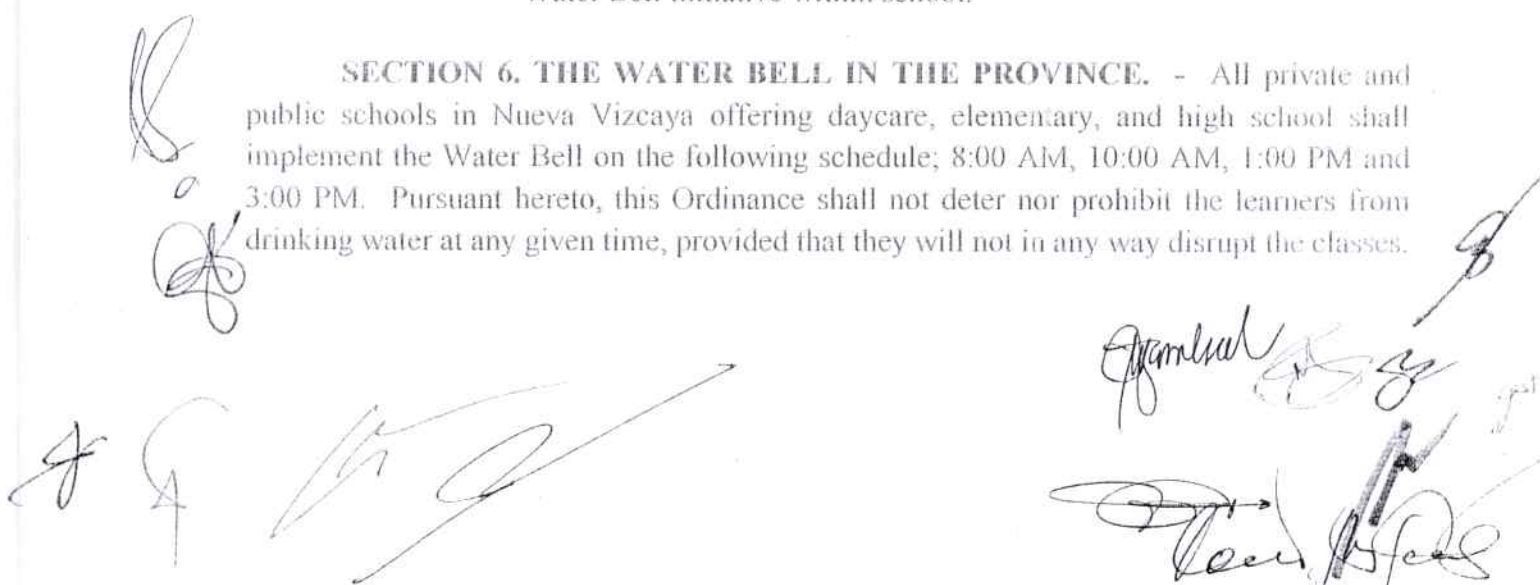
SECTION 3. SCOPE- this ordinance extends to all public and private schools offering day care, elementary and secondary schools in the province of Nueva Vizcaya.

SECTION 4. PURPOSE. - The purpose of this ordinance is to promote the importance of staying hydrated and fostering responsible, clean and safe water consumption among learners in schools across the Province of Nueva Vizcaya. The Water Bell aims to encourage regular and timely water breaks during school hours to ensure the well-being and hydration of learners, teachers and school personnel.

SECTION 5. DEFINITIONS.

- a) Water Bell - ringing of bell during school hours to remind learners, teachers and school personnel to drink water.
- b) Water potability – refers to the suitability of water for consumption by human without causing harm.
- c) Schools - Refers to all educational institutions, including primary and secondary schools duly recognized by the Department of Education within the jurisdiction of Nueva Vizcaya.
- d) School Governing Council – the overall coordinating body of all committees, association, and organization in their respective schools contributing and strengthening the implementation of school-based management.
- e) School Head - The designated authority in charge of the overall administration and management of the school.
- f) Water Bell Coordinator – the person responsible for overseeing the implementation, schedule adherence and overall effectiveness of the Water Bell initiative within school.

SECTION 6. THE WATER BELL IN THE PROVINCE. - All private and public schools in Nueva Vizcaya offering daycare, elementary, and high school shall implement the Water Bell on the following schedule; 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 1:00 PM and 3:00 PM. Pursuant hereto, this Ordinance shall not deter nor prohibit the learners from drinking water at any given time, provided that they will not in any way disrupt the classes.



SECTION 7. IMPLEMENTING AGENCIES.

- a) The Provincial Nutrition Council shall serve as the primary agency responsible for overseeing and coordinating the implementation of the water bell ordinance in schools within the province of Nueva Vizcaya.
- b) The Implementing agencies shall have the following responsibilities:
 - b.1 Develop policies, guidelines and recommendations as well as the conduct of orientations to all concerned for the effectively implementation of the water bell ordinance, with a focus on health and educational objectives.
 - b.2 Provide technical assistance and support to schools to ensure the successful execution of the ordinance
 - b.3 Collaborate with schools and relevant stakeholders to address challenges and enhance the implementation of the Water Bell Ordinance.
 - b.4 Monitor and evaluate the progress of schools in adhering to this ordinance and the effectiveness of the ordinance.
 - b.5 They are also mandated to post informational materials with the inscription detailing matters relating to “Water Bell” posted in conspicuous places within the school’s vicinity.

SECTION 8. ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PARENTS. - Parents are enjoined to support this Ordinance by ensuring that their children have sufficient supply of clean drinking water contained in reusable or eco-friendly container as an environmentally responsible alternative.

SECTION 9. ROLE OF THE SCHOOL.

- a. The school shall designate Water Bell Coordinator responsible for overseeing the implementation, schedule adherence, and overall effectiveness of the Water Bell initiative within the institution.
- b. It is the duty of each school to maintain a water station equipped with clean and potable water, strategically positioned inside the classroom or within the campus for easy access by learners.
- c. The School Governing Council, Family Council Executive Board, or equivalent bodies may develop supplementary policies and guidelines and submit recommendations to the Provincial Nutrition Council.
- d. The School Head shall provide necessary support and ensure compliance with the Water Bell initiative, including allocating resources and facilitating coordination among staff members.

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SECTION 10. IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS. The Provincial Nutrition Council and Municipal Nutrition Council shall develop and promulgate the necessary implementing rules and regulations to ensure the effective enforcement and compliance with this ordinance.

SECTION 11. APPROPRIATIONS. The initial amount of P1,500,000.00 shall be sourced from the General Fund of the Provincial Local Government Unit (PLGU) for testing and treating potable water in schools.

SECTION 12. REPEALING CLAUSE. – any previous ordinance or parts thereof that are inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 13. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. – if any provision of this ordinance is declared invalid or inconsistency with existing laws, the remaining provisions not affected shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 14. EFFECTIVITY. – This Ordinance shall take effect after fifteen (15) days following its complete publication and period of posting.

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Sponsors: Hon. Eunice Galima-Gambol, Hon. Patricio F. Dumlaog, Jr., Hon. Elma Pinao-an Lejao

CARRIED.

WE CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing Ordinance.




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Acting Vice Governor/Presiding Officer



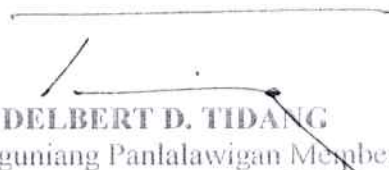
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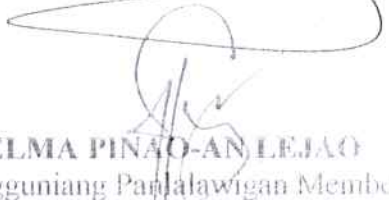
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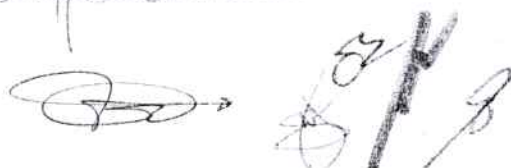
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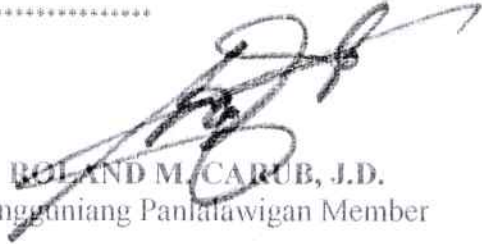



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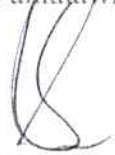
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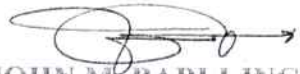

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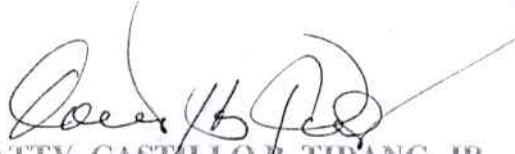

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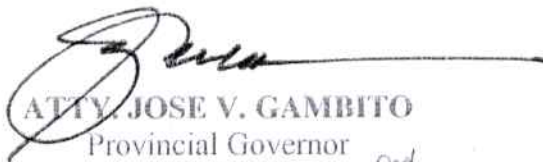

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ATTESTED:


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Local Legislative Staff Officer I/
Secretary for the Session

APPROVED:


ATTY. JOSE V. GAMBITO
Provincial Governor
Date: MAY 09 2024 *gvd*