



PROGRAM PROPOSAL

PEACEtival 2023: Actions for Peace, Our Ambition for the Global Goals

Background:

Mabalacat City College is a Higher Educational Institution committed to providing tertiary education that is not only knowledge and industry-based but also socially and globally responsive. The educator Jacques Dellor (2001) emphasized that education has four major pillars: Learning to know, learning to do, learning to be, and learning to live together. The first two pillars are extensively visible on campuses primarily due to the demands of institutionalized curriculum. The other two are oftentimes integrated into existing courses and sometimes privileged through a separate program. However, the scheme of education has changed. 21st Education demands a focus on critical thinking, creativity, and collaboration, all of which resonate with the two other pillars, the purpose of a self and its relevance to others. These two pillars go hand-in-hand; education does not adhere to egoism nor thus it triumphs consummation to social pressure. At the core of these two pillars lies the very social dimension of MCC education. The institution is resolute in forming students who take roles in sharing their expertise for the sustainable development of the local and global community.

The institution employs various strategies in order to promote social activism among students. Obviously, students are informed and immersed in social problems, issues, and concerns through lectures, focal group discussions, and other curricular activities. Along with the curricular activities are co-curricular programs that strongly appeal to the students' sensibilities and activism. The institution is well-guided by local, national, and global goals in terms of creating programs that will ensure social development. The City Development Plan of Mabalacat and the Ambisyon 2040 of the Philippine National Government while unique in themselves due to localized needs, share a common feature that concerns humanity regardless of nationality, referred to as Sustainable Development Goals (SDG). And for several years now, MCC has been strongly developing programs that address the targets of the SDGs. One of the strategies of MCC is to celebrate the different International Dates that serve as paths for attaining the targets of SDGs. MCC has been annually celebrating International Women's Month, Earth Hour, Pride Moth, ASEAN Month, Arts Month, and Peace Month. The activities support some SDG themes like Equality, Climate Change, Global Citizenship, Heritage, and Peace.

And for the month of September 2023, MCC is launching another program concerning SDG 16 (on Peace) and SDG 4 (On Global Citizenship Education), as it celebrates the International Day of Peace on Sept.21. Last year, MCC started the World Peace Flag Ceremony, Peace Walk, Peace Concert, Peace Sign Human Formation, and Paper Crane Origami making. This year, the theme of the Peace Day Celebration is PEACEtival, and with an adoption of the UN's theme: Actions for Peace, Our Ambition for the Global Goals. The event aims to make the celebration like a festival that is celebrated annually just like any fiesta in the Philippines. As a festival, it also aims to create a colorful event that creates a positive vibe. It will be one of those 365 days that will dispel hatred, violence, mockery, atrocities, and other negative vibes.

COMPONENTS:

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So, what's new for Peace Day 2023? The event will continue to conduct the usual components of the MCC Peace Day Celebration such as:

1. Peace Walk

The students, faculty, and staff carrying placards with slogans will walk around the city to promote the call for action in terms of peace. The education for peace must not be confined to the premises of the campus. Thus, the walk will be an opportunity to call the attention of the community to certain social issues that need to be addressed collectively including them.

2. Peace Concert

What is the best way to gather students, young and old, if not through the power of music? Various songs that promote peace will be utilized to attune the students' and teachers' consciousness' of the



significance of peace. It is hoped that through the peace concert, the vivid message of peace will penetrate the minds and hearts of students and take and share some actions to spread a culture of peace.

3. World Peace Flag Ceremony

The World Peace Flag Ceremony was started by Masami Saionji in Japan in 1983. It is a tradition that has spread in different countries and continents. During the ceremony, flags and names of different nations are being called, and the audience shouts: May Peace be on Earth. This is MCC's act of solidarity with other countries who also do the same act with a shared and common aspiration for championing peace.

4. Peace Sign Human Formation

MCC's strong message to the world is defined in the Peace Sign Human Formation. Students, Faculty, and Staff are gathered in the quadrangle to form a peace sign. From a top view, the MCC community aims to express that the entire globe is for peace and not for any form of violence. Through collaboration and unity, everyone can work together to build peace.

In the quest for high and extensive impact, the following components are added to the activities of the Peace Day celebration for 2023:

1. Planting of Peace Poles

The planting of Peace Poles is also a traditional activity in the Peace Day Celebration around the world. However, the Peace Poles of the celebration will be planted in the city site of Kamikaze Shrine. One of the many areas of World History where you will find Mabalacat is during World War II, as the birthplace of the Japanese Kamikaze Suicide attack against Americans. In the northern part of the city, one finds a shrine at the exact airstrip where the kamikaze pilot flew their last flight.

MCC aims to turn the war memorial into a "Peace Park." This of course will require legislation as a Peace Park usually demands some provisions. To amplify MCC's desire to declare the Kamikaze Shrine as a Peace Park, peace poles will be planted starting this September 2023 and shall be done annually. Every year, the poles will represent the countries of the world. This act will resonate with the title of Mabalacat, as a City of Peace, as declared by the great Shinto Monk in 1997.

2. Participation in other Schools

This year, MCC will also start to involve students from some High Schools under the Department of Education. The move is a strategy to push the inclusion of peace education and peace activities in the school curriculum and programs. Moreover, the extent of people immersed in peacebuilding will expand from MCC students alone, now to high school students. It is hoped that high school students will also be able to create activities that promote peace on their respective campuses.

3. Peace Pals

There will be a slight innovation in the crafting of Paper Crane Origami. This year, a message will be attached to a paper crane. The message shall contain the hopes and aspirations of a student for peace and a better global community including his/her email. The origami and message will be enclosed in an envelope and shipped to Tan Trao University, Vietnam, and the University of the Ryukyus in Japan for an exchange. The said universities will also send some origami and messages to MCC students to build friendships. This activity aims to build a global community starting with small groups who share the same goal for peace.

Program Implementation and Mechanics:

For the World Peace Flag Ceremony:

1. The event will take place on September 27, 2023, at 2:00 PM at the Dolores Covered Court.
2. Participants for the said Ceremony are ALL the Officers of the official student organizations of the College



3. All the participants will be tasked to make an artistic placard with a slogan that promotes peace. Moreover, they are to prepare the flag of a country that will be assigned to them.

Campus Youth Ministry - AFRICA	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Algeria 2. Angola 3. Benin 4. Botswana 5. Burkina Faso Ouagadougou 6. Burundi 7. Cameroon 8. Cape Verde
Commission on Student Elections	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Central African Republic 2. Chad 3. Comoros 4. Republic of the Congo 5. Democratic Republic of the Congo 6. Côte d'Ivoire 7. Djibouti 8. Equatorial Guinea
Council of Hospitality and Management Students	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Egypt 2. Eritrea 3. Ethiopia 4. Gabon 5. The Gambia 6. Ghana 7. Guinea
Crimson Tribe Readers	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Kenya 2. Lesotho 3. Liberia 4. Libya 5. Madagascar 6. Malawi 7. Mali 8. Mauritania
Folto Danzatore	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mauritius 2. Morocco 3. Mozambique 4. Namibia 5. Niger 6. Nigeria 7. Réunion 8. Rwanda
Junior Philippine Institute of Accountancy	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. São Tomé and Príncipe 2. Senegal 3. Seychelles 4. Sierra Leone 5. Somalia 6. South Africa 7. South Sudan 8. Sudan
La gaMATH	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Swaziland 2. Tanzania 3. Togo 4. Tunisia 5. Uganda 6. Western Sahara 7. Zambia 8. Zimbabwe
League of Generalists - ASIA	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Afghanistan 2. Armenia



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	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Azerbaijan 4. Bahrain 5. Bangladesh 6. Bhutan 7. Brunei 8. Cambodia
League of the Linguistic Literati	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. China 2. East Timor 3. Georgia 4. India 5. Indonesia 6. Iran 7. Iraq 8. Israel
League of Social Studies Catalysts	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Japan 2. Jordan 3. Kazakhstan 4. Kuwait 5. Kyrgyzstan 6. Laos 7. Lebanon 8. Malaysia
League of Tourism Students of the Philippines	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Maldives 2. Mongolia 3. Myanmar 4. Nepal 5. North Korea 6. Oman 7. Pakistan 8. Palestine
MCC Band	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Philippines 2. Qatar 3. Russia 4. Saudi Arabia 5. Singapore 6. South Korea 7. Sri Lanka 8. Syria
Koro De Balakat	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Taiwan 2. Tajikistan 3. Thailand 4. Turkey 5. Turkmenistan 6. United Arab Emirates 7. Uzbekistan 8. Vietnam 9. Yemen
Military Cadet Officers - EUROPE	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Albania 2. Andorra 3. Austria 4. Belarus 5. Belgium 6. Bosnia and Herzegovina 7. Bulgaria 8. Croatia
Pandayan	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Cyprus 2. Czech Republic 3. Denmark 4. Estonia 5. Finland 6. France 7. Georgia 8. Germany



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Pantarakayan	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Greece 2. Hungary 3. Iceland 4. Republic of Ireland 5. Italy (Italia) 6. Kosovo 7. Latvia 8. Liechtenstein
Peer Support Society	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lithuania 2. Luxembourg 3. North Macedonia 4. Malta 5. Moldova 6. Monaco 7. Montenegro 8. Netherlands
Philippine Society of Customs Administration Students	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Norway 2. Poland 3. Portugal 4. Romania 5. Russia 6. San Marino 7. Serbia
Science Educators Guild	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Slovenia 2. Spain 3. Sweden 4. Switzerland 5. Turkey 6. Ukraine 7. United Kingdom - London 8. Vatican City
Science Society – NORTH AMERICA	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Canada 2. Mexico 3. United States of America 4. Navassa Island 5. Puerto Rico 6. US Virgin Islands 7. Dominican Republic 8. Cuba
Silab Ning Aldo	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Greenland 2. Haiti 3. Belize 4. Costa Rica 5. El Salvador 6. Guatemala 7. Honduras 8. Guadeloupe
Silawan	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Martinique 2. Nicaragua 3. Panama 4. Jamaica 5. Bahamas 6. Barbados 7. Dominica - Roseau
Student Society in Information Technology Education – SOUTH AMERICA	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Brazil 2. Argentina 3. Bolivia 4. Chile 5. Colombia 6. Ecuador 7. Falkland Islands 8. French Guiana
Technical Teachers Society	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Guyana



	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Paraguay 3. Peru 4. South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands 5. Suriname 6. Trinidad and Tobago 7. Uruguay 8. Venezuela
The Equalizer – Oceana and Australia	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Australia 2. Fiji 3. Kiribati 4. Marshall Islands 5. Micronesia 6. Nauru 7. New Zealand 8. Palau
Young Builders Society	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Papua New Guinea 2. Samoa 3. Solomon Islands 4. Tonga 5. Tuvalu 6. Vanuatu

4. Participants are to wear their organization shirts or any MCC shirts.
5. A dry-run is to be conducted before the event to ensure the smooth flow of the program
6. Sizes of Flags will be 30cm handle 21cm in width and 14cm in length while the placards will be 17x12 inches

Coordination to be conducted:

1. Barangay Dolores – For Permission, Communication, and Peace and Order
2. Clinic – For Health Concern
3. Student Life.
4. – For coordination and support from Student Organizations
5. Academic Affairs – For Excuse Letters (Dry-run and Day of Event)
6. Events and Communication – For Documentation
7. Admin and Finance – For Logistics
8. External Communication – For Publicity

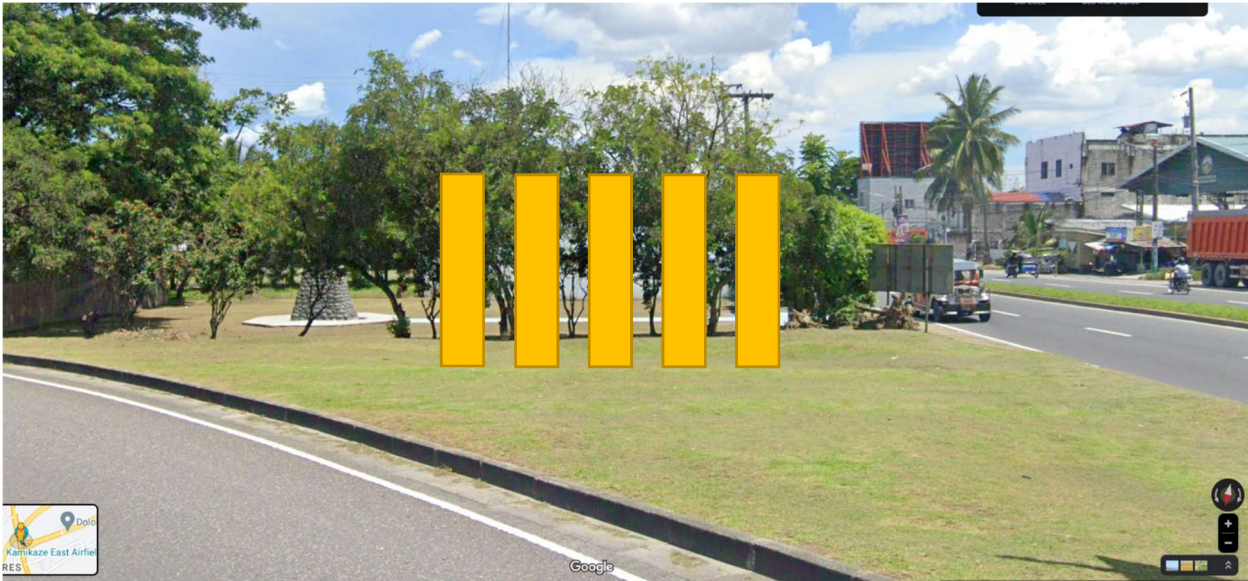
For the Planting of Peace Poles:

1. A total of five poles will be planted for this year. The poles will have 4” x 4”x 6 dimensions. Each pole will have the text: “May Peace be on Earth” inscribed in different languages and scripts: Kapampangan, English, Japanese, Chinese, and Vietnamese (All representing the present collaborations and partnerships of MCC).





2. The Poles will be stationed in these zones:



3. Only the Presidents and Vice Presidents of each organization will witness the Planning due to limited space. Other students who attended the World Peace Flag Ceremony will stay in Dolores Covered Court and wait until the Peace Walk

Coordination to be conducted:

1. LGU Mabalacat – For Permission and Communication
2. Barangay Dolores – For Peace and Order
3. Student Life – For coordination and support from Student Organizations
4. Clinic – for Health Concerns
5. Academic Affairs – For Excuse Letters (Dry-run and Day of Event)
6. Events and Communication – For Documentation
7. Admin and Finance – For Logistics and Park Preparation
8. External Communication – For Publicity

For Peace Walk:

1. The Peace Walk will have two phases: the first phase will include those students and people who witnessed the World Peace Flag Ceremony and Planting of Peace Poles, while the second phase will include students and other faculty and staff stationed at the Gas Station (McArthur Highway, Dolores) near the street going to MCC.
2. The Peace Walk will commence right after the Planting of Peace Poles Program
3. Everyone is enjoined to be at the stations at 2:30 PM
4. Everyone is encouraged to bring umbrellas for the possible heat and rain. Bringing tumblers for drinking water is also encouraged
5. The Order of Walk shall be as follows:
 - Patrol
 - Airforce Band
 - Campus Youth Ministry
 - Commission on Student Elections
 - Council of Hospitality and Management Students
 - Crimson Tribe Readers
 - Folto Danzatore
 - Junior Philippine Institute of Accountancy
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- League of Social Studies Catalysts
- League of Tourism Students of the Philippines
- MCC Band
- Koro De Balakat
- Military Cadet Officers
- Pandayan
- Pantalakayan
- Peer Support Society
- Philippine Society of Customs Administration Students
- Science Educators Guild
- Science Society
- Silab Ning Aldo
- Silawan
- Student Society in Information Technology Education
- Technical Teachers Society
- The Equalizer
- Young Builders Society
- Supreme Student Council
- IBCE Council
- IHTM Council
- ITE Council
- IAS Council
- GCPED Students
- Admin and Finance
- Clinic
- ITE Faculty
- IAS Faculty
- EXECOM

6. As everyone reaches the quadrangle, each group will be welcomed and acknowledged.

Coordination to be conducted:

- LGU Mabalacat – For Permission and Traffic
- Barangay Dolores – For Peace and Order
- Student Life – For coordination and support from Student Organizations
- Clinic – for Health Concerns
- Academic Affairs – For Excuse Letters (Day of Event)
- Events and Communication – For Documentation
- Admin and Finance – For Logistics and Information Dissemination (Memo for the offices)
- External Communication – For Publicity
- Santos Ventura Senior High School – For invitation

For Peace Concert:

1. The culminating activity of the Peace Day Celebration is the Peace Concert
2. The MCC Band together with other enthusiasts will be gathered to plan for the flow of the concert
3. The songs will include the following:
 - *Imagine by John Lennon*
 - *Kapayapaan*
4. Participants will be Student Council and Organization Officers, Global Citizenship and Peace Education Students, Admin, Faculty, and Staff, Santos Ventura High School Students
5. The venue will be at the quadrangle near the student center



Coordination to be conducted:

- Admin and Finance (Logistics, Permit to Enter, Use of Facilities)
- Student Life – For coordination and support from Student Organizations
- Clinic – for Health Concerns
- Academic Affairs – For Excuse Letters (Day of Event and Practices)
- Events and Communication – For Documentation
- External Communication – For Publicity
- Santos Ventura Senior High School – Invitation

