

Dear iSTEPup foundation,

I am Fredy Joseph, a student at Buhongwa Collage of Health and Allied Science (BUCOHAS). The aim of writing to you is first of all to thank you for the financial support that the **iSTEPup** organization has offered me throughout the education year of 2020-2021.

Secondly, I want to inform you about the final examination of my first year in pharmaceutical sciences. The exams were supposed to be done on **24th of January 2022**, but have been postponed by **the National Council for Technical Education (NACTE)** due to various reasons, including lack of surveillance personnel. After some time of uncertainty, we were finally able to do the exams on the **3rd of March 2022**. The results will be released one month after the examination, so I am expecting them to be published soon. Hopefully after that, I will be able to continue with my second year and start the new semester.

I have really been enjoying my first year at the college. I have learned a lot from different teachers and made many new friends who I met in college. Also, I have been elected to be the minister of defense and security at the college for the upcoming semester, which means that fellow students can come to me if they experience any safety issues. In the end of the second semester, my friends from the Netherlands, **Lieke Buijs** and **Timo Cober**, came to visit me at my college. I showed them around at the college and the environment, where they met my principal, some of the teachers and also my college friends. They also came to visit my family in Musoma. It was really nice to see each other again after two years.

I want to express my deepest appreciation for your contribution in paying the tuition fees. Your assistance was gratifying and once again from the bottom of my heart I say thank you and may God bless you. I really want to say that the help I have received from **iSTEPup** has taught me to also give back to the community whenever I can.

Thanks from heart.

Fredy Joseph