



On behalf of the Collins Chabane Local Municipality, I want to express my deepest pride and heartfelt congratulations to our very own Xilombe Xivuri," said Mayor Shadrack Maluleke.

To be selected as one of only six learners to represent South Africa on a global stage in Shanghai is an extraordinary achievement. Xilombe is not only a brilliant ambassador for language, literacy, and education, but she is a shining beacon of hope for every young person in our municipality. She proves that with dedication, discipline, and a thirst for knowledge, there is no limit to what the youth of Collins Chabane can accomplish.

As a municipality that views education as the most powerful weapon to defeat poverty and inequality, we will be rooting for her and Team South Africa in China. We know she will do us proud.

Six young South African spellers are representing the country at the inaugural Spelling Bee World Cup in Shanghai, China, after winning the continental team title earlier this year.

The Championships will be held in Shanghai, China, at a premier international school campus, and will bring together outstanding student participants from across the world, including China, Malaysia, Thailand, Pakistan, Bangladesh, the United States, Canada, and other participating nations.

Beyond the competition itself, the programme is designed to foster international friendship, promote cross-cultural understanding, and develop leadership and global awareness among participating youth.

Xilombe is a resident of Peninghotsa and a learner at St. Brendan's Catholic Secondary School. She has previously won Spelling Bee competitions held in Botswana and Zimbabwe.

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