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## **PROGRAMME FOR SCHOOL-BASED EXCELLENCE FOR PRIMARY SCHOOLS AND NICHE PROGRAMME FOR SECONDARY SCHOOLS 2008**

1. Seventeen primary schools have been awarded the Programme for School-Based Excellence in 2008. The 37 schools which received the award between 2005 and 2007 had their awards renewed this year (refer to Annex).

2. In addition, nine secondary schools have been awarded Niche Programme status in 2008. The 20 schools which received the award between 2005 and 2007 also had their awards renewed this year (refer to Annex).

3. Ms Grace Fu, Senior Minister of State for Education and National Development, announced the recipients for both awards on 23 April 2008, at a visit to Chua Chu Kang Primary School, a 2008 Programme for School-Based Excellence School recipient.

### **PROGRAMME FOR SCHOOL-BASED EXCELLENCE FOR PRIMARY SCHOOLS 2008**

4. The following are the 17 primary schools that are awarded the Programme for School-Based Excellence in 2008. Their niches are indicated as follows:

	<b>SCHOOL</b>	<b>NICHE</b>
1.	Anglo-Chinese School (Primary)	Bowling
2.	Chua Chu Kang Primary School	Robotics
3.	Henry Park Primary School	Gymnastics
4.	Hong Kah Primary School	Volleyball
5.	Hong Wen School	Rope Skipping
6.	MacPherson Primary School	Choral & Instrumental Ensemble; Softball
7.	Mayflower Primary School	Dance
8.	North View Primary School	Guzheng

	<b>SCHOOL</b>	<b>NICHE</b>
9.	Northland Primary School	Chess
10.	Pasir Ris Primary School	Floorball
11.	Paya Lebar Methodist Girls' School (Primary)	Handbell
12.	Peixin Primary School	Band
13.	Raffles Girls' Primary School	Choir
14.	St Stephen's School	Band
15.	Tanjong Katong Primary School	Netball
16.	Tao Nan School	Badminton
17.	West View Primary School	Brass Band

### **NICHE PROGRAMME SCHOOLS FOR 2008**

5. The following 9 secondary schools are awarded Niche Programme status in 2008. Their niches are as follows:

<b>S/N</b>	<b>SCHOOL</b>	<b>NICHE</b>
1.	Ang Mo Kio Secondary School	Symphonic Band
2.	Anglo-Chinese School (Barker Road)	Drama; Water Polo
3.	Bowen Secondary School	Band
4.	Manjusri Secondary School	Wushu
5.	Pasir Ris Secondary School	Chinese Orchestra
6.	Riverside Secondary School	Dance
7.	Springfield Secondary School	Rock Climbing
8.	Woodlands Ring Secondary School	Robotics
9.	Zhenghua Secondary School	Uniformed Groups

### **SCHOOL VISIT TO CHUA CHU KANG PRIMARY SCHOOL**

6. Chua Chu Kang Primary School is well-established in the area of Robotics. The school has consistently achieved top 3 positions in various awards in the National Junior Robotics Competition since 2003, and has represented Singapore in the World Robotics Olympiad in 2004, 2006 and 2007. The school is developing a curriculum which infuses Robotics into its Science and Art lessons, to encourage discovery through experimentation, as well as to teach resilience, perseverance, creativity and the value of teamwork, aligned with the school's core values.

### **BACKGROUND**

7. To develop more peaks of excellence in our school landscape, MOE launched the Programme for School-Based Excellence and Niche Programme

Schools in 2005 to encourage greater diversity in our primary and secondary schools respectively.

#### Programme for School-Based Excellence

8. The Programme for School-Based Excellence helps to develop strong primary schools with distinctive character to give more opportunities for our students to develop different areas of excellence. Successful applicant schools would receive MOE funding so as to further raise the quality and outreach of their school-based programmes and initiatives.

9. Applications for the award were evaluated based on the strength of niche, sustainability, strength of the educational value of the programme, how pervasive is the reach of the programme in the school and involvement of stakeholders in the programme.

#### Niche Programme Schools

10. The Niche Programme better supports mainstream secondary schools with good talent development programmes and proven track records of achievements in their declared niches. These schools receive MOE funding, and can admit up to 5% of their Secondary One intake on a discretionary basis through the Direct School Admission exercise, so that a more diverse range of student achievement and talents can be recognised.

10. Applications for the award were evaluated based on the strength of niche, sustainability, and the educational value and pervasiveness of the programme.

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**PRIMARY SCHOOLS WHICH HAD THEIR PROGRAMME FOR SCHOOL-BASED EXCELLENCE STATUS RENEWED THIS YEAR:**

S/N	SCHOOL
1.	Admiralty Primary School
2.	Ai Tong School
3.	Anglo-Chinese School (Primary)
4.	Bukit View Primary School
5.	CHIJ (Kellock)
6.	CHIJ Primary (Toa Payoh)
7.	CHIJ St Nicholas School (Primary)
8.	Chongfu Primary School
9.	Evergreen Primary School
10.	Fuhua Primary School
11.	Gongshang Primary School
12.	Greenridge Primary School
13.	Haig Girls' School
14.	Hougang Primary School
15.	Kong Hwa School
16.	Kranji Primary School
17.	Maha Bodhi School
18.	Maris Stella High School (Primary)
19.	Montfort Junior School
20.	Nan Chiau Primary School
21.	Nanyang Primary School
22.	Ngee Ann Primary School
23.	Park View Primary School
24.	Paya Lebar Methodist Girls' School (Primary)
25.	Pei Chun Public School
26.	Punggol Primary School
27.	Rosyth School
28.	Rulang Primary School
29.	Singapore Chinese Girls' Primary School
30.	St Hilda's Primary School
31.	St Andrew's Junior School
32.	St Margaret's Primary School
33.	St Stephen's School
34.	Tao Nan School
35.	Telok Kurau Primary School
36.	Yio Chu Kang Primary School
37.	Zhenghua Primary School

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**SECONDARY SCHOOLS WHICH HAD THEIR NICHE PROGRAMME STATUS RENEWED THIS YEAR:**

<b>S/N</b>	<b>SCHOOL</b>
1.	Admiralty Secondary School
2.	Ahmad Ibrahim Secondary School
3.	CHIJ St Theresa's Convent
4.	Clementi Town Secondary School
5.	Deyi Secondary School
6.	Fuhua Secondary School
7.	Gan Eng Seng School
8.	Jurong Secondary School
9.	Jurong West Secondary School
10.	Montfort Secondary School
11.	Northland Secondary School
12.	Outram Secondary School
13.	Presbyterian High School
14.	St Andrew's Secondary School
15.	St Hilda's Secondary School
16.	St Margaret's Secondary School
17.	St Patrick's School
18.	Yio Chu Kang Secondary School
19.	Yishun Town Secondary School
20.	Yuhua Secondary School

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**INFORMATION SHEET ON RECIPIENT SCHOOLS OF  
THE 2008 PROGRAMME FOR SCHOOL-BASED EXCELLENCE AWARD AND NICHE PROGRAMME SCHOOLS**

**PROGRAMME FOR SCHOOL-BASED EXCELLENCE**

S/N	School	Niche	Strengths and Achievements	Brief description of programmes
1.	Anglo-Chinese School (Primary)  <i>Principal:</i> <i>Lim Chew Hiong Richard</i> <i>Address:</i> <i>50 Barker Road S309918</i> <i>Tel :</i> <i>62501633</i>	Bowling  (Existing niche in Swimming)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The school received SAA* (Sports) in 2006 and 2007.</li> <li>From 2005 to 2007, it won National competitions for Bowling.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All students to experience bowling as a sport               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- P1 – 3: Modified Mini Bowling</li> <li>- P4 – 6: Bowling for Fun Programme</li> </ul> </li> <li>Talent development programme for students who show high potential in the sport to develop them to take part in competitions.</li> <li>Opportunities for bowlers to train with elite National bowlers to motivate and inspire them further.</li> </ul>
2.	Chua Chu Kang Primary School  <i>Principal:</i> <i>Mr Francis Foo</i> <i>Address:</i> <i>20, Choa Chu Kang Avenue 2 S 689905</i> <i>Tel:</i> <i>67661574</i>	Robotics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The school has consistently achieved top 3 positions in various awards in the National Junior Robotics Competition since 2003.</li> <li>Represented Singapore in the World Robotics Olympiad in 2004, 2006 and 2007.</li> </ul>	<p>The school has a framework which infuses Robotics into the curriculum at all levels:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>P1 and P2 pupils will have opportunities to exercise their creativity through engagement in basic design problems.</li> <li>P3 and P4 pupils will stretch their creative thinking through extended design problems introduced in Art.</li> <li>In P5 and P6, pupils will apply the Robotics skills and knowledge acquired in the earlier years in more advanced problem-based scenarios or investigative projects.</li> </ul>

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3.	Henry Park Primary School  <b>Principal:</b> Ng Teng Joo <b>Address:</b> 1 Holland Grove Road S278790 <b>Tel :</b> 64663600	Gymnastics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The school received SAA* (Sports) in 2007.</li> <li>From 2000 to 2007, the school won competitions at National level for Gymnastics</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School adopts a whole-school approach through the school's PE programme that runs from P1 to P3, providing the pupils with an understanding and aesthetics appreciation of artistic and expressive movement.</li> <li>School has established partnerships with overseas schools to increase the skill level of student athletes.</li> <li>Additional support in the gymnastics programme is provided by in-house instructors.</li> </ul>
4.	Hong Kah Primary School  <b>Principal:</b> Lee Lay Keok (Mdm) <b>Address:</b> 1 Bukit Batok West Ave 2 S659203 <b>Tel:</b> 68963660	Volleyball	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The school received SAA* (Sports) in 2007.</li> <li>From 2003 to 2007, the school won competitions for Volleyball at Zonal and National levels.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Volleyball is included in the school's customised PE curriculum known as Broad Based Sports Programme (BBSP) where all pupils (P1-P6) learn games concepts and skills.</li> <li>Talented pupils who have been identified during BBSP will placed in a talent development programme that will run concurrently with the training for the masses.</li> <li>Partnership plans include exchange programmes with schools with volleyball as niche sports and overseas training stint.</li> </ul>
5.	Hong Wen School  <b>Principal:</b> Ngoh Choon Ho <b>Address:</b> 508 Victoria Street S198372 <b>Tel :</b> 62943340	Rope Skipping	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The school received SAA* (Sports) in 2007.</li> <li>From 2005 to 2007, the school won National Inter-School competitions for rope skipping.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Aligned to School Vision of "A Happy, Healthy and Vibrant Learning Organisation" – Rope Skipping strengthens the body and mind of pupils and also establishes healthy lifestyle.</li> <li>Regularly invited to perform at school, community and national events.</li> <li>Incorporated into PE Curriculum for P1 to P3 to build foundation and interest.</li> </ul>

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6.	MacPherson Primary School  <b>Principal:</b> <i>Rostina Bte Mohamad Said (Mdm)</i> <b>Address:</b> 2 Mattar Road S387724 <b>Tel :</b> 67461516	Niche 1: Choral & Instrumental Ensemble	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The school received SAA* (Aesthetics) in 2007.</li> <li>From 2002 to 2006, the school won awards for the Singapore Youth Festival (SYF) for Choir, Gamelan and Angklung / Kulintang</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The school has established partnerships with instructors and vendors as well as volunteers from community organisations.</li> <li>The aesthetics programme introduces ethnic music to the masses by capitalising on the school's strength in those areas, immersing pupils in the diversity of cultures through the cultural knowledge of the instruments and the physical diversity of the instruments.</li> </ul>
		Niche 2: Softball	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The school received the SAA* (Sports) from 2001 to 2007.</li> <li>The school had won competitions for softball at National level from 1996 to 2007.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A systematic and comprehensive programme providing an opportunity for all pupils to experience and learn softball.</li> <li>The school co-organised the South Asia Nankyu Boy's Baseball Championship with the Baseball Club Singapore annually since 2004</li> <li>Pupils participated in the World Children's Baseball Federation Championship in Japan and the Under-12 Nankyu World Championship annually.</li> </ul>
7.	Mayflower Primary School  <b>Principal:</b> <i>Zainal B Sapari</i> <b>Address:</b> 200 Ang Mo Kio Ave 5 S569878 <b>Tel:</b> 64520849	Dance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The school received SAA* (Aesthetics) from 2004 to 2007.</li> <li>From 2000 to 2006, the school won awards in the SYF for its Chinese, Malay and Indian Dance.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Dance group has been invited to various public community performances.</li> <li>Strong network with partner organisations.</li> <li>Programme is deployed through a structured dance programme that allows pupils to encounter dance at different levels based on:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Broad-based exposure programme</li> <li>Broad-based experiential programme/talent</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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				<p>identification processes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Talent development programme</li> <li>- Platforms for expression</li> </ul>
8.	<p>North View Primary School</p> <p><b>Principal:</b> Ng Yeow Ling</p> <p><b>Address:</b> 210 Yishun Ave 6 S768960</p> <p><b>Tel :</b> 67593235</p>	Guzheng	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The school received the SAA* (Aesthetics) in 2007.</li> <li>• School won awards in the SYF for Guzheng from 2000 to 2006.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Active Participation at public performances during community events.</li> <li>• Strong network with partner organisations.</li> <li>• Support and commitment from teachers to promote &amp; ignite passion for Guzheng through various platforms</li> <li>• Strong Involvement of parents in the programme.</li> <li>• Pervasive, balanced and well-rounded education through promoting appreciation in Guzheng: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- P1 &amp; P2 pupils – exposure and ‘wonder’ in Guzheng</li> <li>- P3 &amp; P4 pupils – customised development leading to grade examinations</li> <li>- P5 &amp; P6 pupils – advanced development and public performances</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
9.	<p>Northland Primary School</p> <p><b>Principal:</b> Goh Beng Su (Mdm)</p> <p><b>Address:</b> 15 Yishun Ave 4 S769026</p> <p><b>Tel:</b> 67598884</p>	Chess	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The school has clinched top places in local and international chess tournaments.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• iC@N (International Chess at Northland) Programme strives to provide pupils with opportunity to experience chess through 2 avenues: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 6-module chess programme spanning 6 years</li> <li>- Establishing chess environment in phases</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Educational values are derived from a framework that is aligned with Habits of Mind (HOM) Framework and Bloom’s Taxonomy. iC@N develops strategic and critical thinking as well as personal mastery among pupils. It anchors on the HOM framework, thus providing a platform for character development.</li> </ul>

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10.	Pasir Ris Primary School  <b>Principal:</b> <i>Justin Arul Pierre</i> <b>Address:</b> 5 Pasir Ris Street 21 S518968 <b>Tel :</b> 65822606	Floorball	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>From 1999 to 2007, the school won competitions at the National for floorball</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All students in the school are exposed to the sport of Floorball during the course of the 6 years in the school</li> <li>Strong partnership with stakeholders to collaborate with the school to expand the game to more schools, youth organizations and community clubs</li> <li>In the process of teaching the sport, specific reference are made to Habits of Mind (e.g. Managing Impulsivity) as well as good character traits and behaviours.</li> </ul>
11.	Paya Lebar Methodist Girls School (Primary)  <b>Principal:</b> <i>Christine Ho (Mrs)</i> <b>Address:</b> 298 Lorong Ah Soo S536741 <b>Tel :</b> 62862795	Handbell  (Existing niche in Sports)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>From 2000 to 2006, the school received awards in SYF for Handbell.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Centre of Excellence for Creative Arts (COE Creative Arts) in East Zone.</li> <li>The customized music curriculum implemented since 2003 provides pupils with the rudiments of music theory and achievements at minimum of ABRSM Theory Music Grade 1 level.</li> <li>Through the programme pupils learn teamwork and develop positive values such as perseverance, self-discipline and cooperation, and gain a deep appreciation of music.</li> </ul>
12.	Peixin Primary School  <b>Principal:</b> <i>Eileen Goh Chin Neo (Mrs)</i> <b>Address:</b> 500 Yishun Ring Road	Band	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The school received the SAA* (Aesthetics) in 2007.</li> <li>From 1998 to 2006, the school won awards in the Singapore Youth Festival (SYF) for Band.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Band had been invited to various public community performances.</li> <li>School provides musical foundation for appreciation, reading and playing of musical instruments in addition to the academic syllabus via               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Basic theory skills (P1 – 6)</li> <li>- General musicianship, keyboarding and basic</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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	S768679 <i>Tel : 68522660</i>			<p>composition skills (P3 – 6)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Introduction to types of music: SEA ethnic and western</li> <li>- Music Appreciation: Basic History of Musicians (P5 &amp; 6) and Instruments – Percussion (P1 &amp; 2); String (P3 &amp; 4), Brass (P5) ; Woodwind (P6)</li> <li>- Enhances pupils' creativity and critical thinking skills through listening, learning and music making</li> </ul>
13.	Raffles Girls' Primary School  <b>Principal:</b> <i>Tan Siok Cheng (Ms)</i> <b>Address:</b> 21 Hillcrest Road S289072 <b>Tel:</b> 64684377	Choir	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The school was awarded SAA* (Aesthetics) in 2007.</li> <li>• From 1997 to 2006, the school won Gold in the SYF for Choral Singing.</li> <li>• Distinction at ABRSM Initial Choral Singing in 2007.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Choir serves community through local public performances - choir had been invited to perform at Raffles Hotel, Esplanade and Jurong Bird Park.</li> <li>• Varied programmes for students include camps, school exchanges, clinics, public performances, ABRSM choral singing exams and overseas/local competitions.</li> </ul>
14.	St Stephen's School  <b>Principal:</b> <i>Fang Swee Im (Miss)</i> <b>Address:</b> 20 Siglap View S455789 <b>Tel:</b> 62419513	Band (Existing niche in Track and Field)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The school was awarded the SYF Gold Awards from 2002 to 2006.</li> <li>• It was also awarded the top Brass Band in 2004.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The School Aesthetics (Music) Programme offers three levels of development in the area of music for all pupils in the school: Awareness, Skills &amp; Talent (AST) model               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Awareness: Achieved through Assembly Programme and weekly Music Appreciation Programme</li> <li>- Skills: Achieved through the music curriculum for P1-P6</li> <li>- Talent Management: Allow pupils with interest and talent in music the opportunity of honing their skills, sharing their love for music and achieving</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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				<p>successes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School organises enrichment programmes, collaboration and exchange programme with other schools' bands through camps and joint concerts.</li> </ul>
15.	<p>Tanjong Katong Primary School</p> <p><b>Principal:</b> Chua Ye Ling (Mdm)</p> <p><b>Address:</b> 10 Seraya Road S437259</p> <p><b>Tel :</b> 63444728</p>	Netball	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The school received SAA* (Sports) in 2007.</li> <li>From 2005 to 2007, the school won Zonal and National Inter-School competitions for netball</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The school has established many training partnerships with local and overseas schools <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><u>Local:</u> Tanjong Katong Secondary, Cedar Girls School, Raffles Girls' School, Singapore Sports School</li> <li><u>Overseas:</u> Ranford Primary, Warwick Senior High, Selangor State Netball Team</li> </ul> </li> <li>The school has put in place a structured netball programme for all levels from Primary 2 to Primary 6</li> </ul>
16.	<p>Tao Nan School</p> <p><b>Principal:</b> Tony Tan Choon Kheng</p> <p><b>Address:</b> 49 Marine Crescent S449761</p> <p><b>Tel:</b> 64428307</p>	<p>Badminton</p> <p>(Existing niche in Maths)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The school received the SAA* (Sports) from 2003 to 2007 and SAA* (Physical Fitness) since 2000.</li> <li>The school won the competitions for Badminton at the zonal and national levels from 2000 to 2007.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Badminton is part of PE syllabus and the programme cuts through all six levels: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Introductory Badminton for P1</li> <li>Elementary I Badminton for P2</li> <li>Elementary II Badminton for P3</li> <li>Talent Development Programme for P2 &amp; P3</li> <li>Intermediate Badminton for P4</li> <li>Recreational Programme for P5 &amp; P6</li> </ul> </li> <li>The school has in place a young talent development programme for lower primary students</li> <li>Inter-class games and competitions are organized for the pupils as mass participation to promote Badminton as social interaction and recreational sports</li> </ul>
17.	West View Primary School	Brass Band	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The school received the SAA* (Aesthetics) from 2004</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School band was invited to perform at SYF Opening Ceremony in 2007, and at the Istana on Labour Day in</li> </ul>

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	<p><b>Principal:</b> Rashidah bte Abdul Rasip (Mdm)</p> <p><b>Address:</b> 31 Senja Road S677742 <b>Tel :</b> 67600178</p>		<p>to 2006.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School had attained the SYF Gold awards for Brass Band in 2002, 2004 and 2006</li> </ul>	<p>2005 and 2007.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All pupils will learn the fundamentals of music while the pool of talents will be nurtured</li> <li>Differentiated programmes for P1-6 to develop holistic approach to music</li> <li>The programme provides every pupil with the foundation in music theory and equip them with skills to make music with a variety of instruments such as handbells and keyboard</li> </ul>

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## NICHE PROGRAMME SCHOOLS

S/N	School	Niche	Strengths and Achievements	Brief description of proposal
1.	<p>Ang Mo Kio Secondary School</p> <p><b>Principal:</b> Tan Chee Siong</p> <p><b>Address:</b> 6 Ang Mo Kio St 22 S569362 <b>Tel:</b> 64548605</p>	Symphonic Band	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ School won awards at the SYF from 2001 to 2007 for Band.</li> <li>▪ The band has taken part in a number of public performances.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Whole school approach that involves band education for non-band students .</li> <li>▪ Concerts by internationally-acclaimed bands</li> <li>▪ Overseas trips/competitions, ABRSM Theory of Music Exam, local and overseas performances.</li> <li>▪ Internal band performances to showcase talent.</li> <li>▪ Exposure to ensemble music competitions</li> </ul>
2.	<p>Anglo-Chinese School (Barker Road)</p> <p><b>Principal:</b> Tan Chong Tze Peter</p> <p><b>Address:</b> 60 Barker Road S309919 <b>Tel:</b> 62561633</p>	Drama	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ School won awards at the SYF from 2003 to 2007, for Drama.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Customised Speech and Drama curriculum for all Sec 1 and 2 students.</li> <li>• Drama infused drama into various subjects (History, D &amp; T, Music and Art)</li> <li>• Arts Education Programme to expose all students to various art forms.</li> <li>• Mentorship programme for students</li> <li>• Active involvement of the alumni, and Parent Support Group (PSG).</li> </ul>
		Water Polo	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• School has won top 4 placing in both divisions for water polo since 1997</li> <li>• SAA* (Sports) 2001, 2005, 2006 &amp; 2007</li> <li>• Players who graduated were selected to represent Singapore's Water Polo</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• School has a strong sporting tradition with achievements in many sports besides water-polo.</li> <li>• Swimming is part of PE curriculum for Sec 1 and 2</li> <li>• Regular overseas training tours.</li> <li>• Strong involvement of PSG members and the Alumni in the programme to train students.</li> </ul>

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			National Team in SEA and Commonwealth Games	
3.	Bowen Secondary School  <b>Principal:</b> <i>Yeo Kok Peng Frederick</i> <b>Address:</b> <i>2 Lorong Napiri S547529</i> <b>Tel:</b> 63859466	Band	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School's Display Band has received Gold Awards in 8 consecutive SYF Competitions.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Core Music Programme for all levels.</li> <li>Opportunities for all students to learn a musical instrument.</li> <li>Learning activities involving various forms of music during assembly programme, and post-examination period.</li> </ul>
4.	Manjusri Secondary School  <b>Principal:</b> <i>Tan Yang Fern (Mdm)</i> <b>Address:</b> <i>149 Sims Drive S387380</i> <b>Tel:</b> 67428196	Wushu	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>From 2005 to 2007, the school won awards for Wushu at the National level.</li> <li>3 ex-students are SEA Games medallists</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A structured CCA programme which caters to the different entry levels, even those with no prior training in Wushu..</li> <li>Leadership training for senior members.</li> <li>Public performance opportunities to provide Wushu members with the exposure to level up their skills.</li> <li>Annual overseas exchange programme to various parts of China.</li> <li>Strong involvement of the alumni in coaching support.</li> <li>Ten-week basic Wushu programme for all Sec 1 students as part of the PE and Chinese language programme.</li> </ul>
5.	Pasir Ris Secondary School  <b>Principal:</b> <i>Mdm Cheng Hwee Yeang</i> <b>Address:</b> <i>390 Tampines Street 21</i>	Chinese Orchestra	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>From 1997 to 2007, the school won the SYF Gold awards for Chinese Orchestra.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Regular participation in various public performances and community events.</li> <li>A framework of 3 approaches to build-up and sustain the niche area in the CCA: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recruitment and Retention of Talents</li> <li>Rigorous CCA Programme</li> <li>Qualified and committed staff and stakeholders</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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6.	Riverside Secondary School  <b>Principal:</b> <i>Tan Siew Hong (Mdm)</i> <b>Address:</b> <i>3 Woodlands St 81</i> <i>S738524</i> <b>Tel:</b> <i>62699631</i>	Dance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>One of 4 schools to take part in Chinese Dance, Indian Dance, Malay Dance and Modern Dance in the Singapore Youth Festival (SYF). Achieved three Golds and a Silver at the 2007 SYF.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Programme to infuse National Education through the Arts – Awarded the LKY NE Award for NE programme.</li> <li>Broad-based arts appreciation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dance curriculum for all</li> <li>Infusion of dance in curriculum (Character Development through the Arts)</li> <li>RS Arts Fest</li> <li>Riverside Dance at ACES Day Celebrations</li> <li>School-based Concerts</li> <li>Aesthetics Assembly Programme</li> </ul> </li> <li>Dance Development for Talented</li> </ul>
7.	Springfield Secondary School  <b>Principal:</b> <i>Tang-Chan Yueh Tarn (Mrs)</i> <b>Address:</b> <i>30 Tampines Ave 8</i> <i>529593</i> <b>Tel:</b> <i>63183053</i>	Rock Climbing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>From 2003 to 2007, the school won awards for Rock-Climbing at various National competitions.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Modular sports climbing programme for all lower secondary students. Programme is a component of the PE assessment for lower sec students (Sec 1: rock-climbing; Sec 2: Abseiling and Repelling).</li> <li>Opportunities for leadership and facilitation for upper secondary students.</li> <li>Sports Climbing Team Challenge and individual competitions organised for students who do not have school representation throughout the academic year.</li> </ul>
8.	Woodlands Ring Secondary School  <b>Principal:</b> <i>Kok Chwee Kee (Mrs)</i>	Robotics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School won awards in various national Robotics competitions.</li> <li>Selected by the International Robots Olympiad Committee</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Four-Year Development Plan (2008 – 2012):</li> <li>Academic Curriculum <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Infusion of Robotics into Lower Sec D&amp;T, Science and Maths</li> </ul> </li> <li>Robotics CCA</li> </ul>

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	<p><b>Address:</b> 10 Woodlands Ring Road S738239 <b>Tel:</b> 63643712</p>		<p>to represent Singapore at the 9<sup>th</sup> International Robotics Olympiad in Nov 2007.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Talent Development programme to identify and train members to take part in International Robotics Competitions</li> <li>• Working with Partners: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Collaborate with Singapore Polytechnic on customising AEMs for Upper Sec students.</li> <li>- Memorandum of Co-operation signed with SP on 15 Aug 2007.</li> <li>- Strong support from alumni members.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
9.	<p>Zhenghua Secondary School</p> <p><b>Principal:</b> Lim Kuan Min <b>Address:</b> 91 Senja Road S677741 <b>Tel:</b> 67639455</p>	Uniformed Groups	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• School was awarded SAA* (Uniformed Groups) from 2004 – 2007.</li> <li>• Girl Guides and Scouts achieved Best Unit Gold awards every year since 2002.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Uniformed Groups (UG) cadets are provided opportunities for character and leadership development, as well as the acquisition of social skills in line with National Education Values</li> <li>• Steady increase in pupil population enrolled in UG</li> <li>• Active involvement of alumni and partner organisations in school's UG programmes</li> <li>• School has been conducting Secondary School Experiential Camps for neighbouring primary schools since 2005.</li> </ul>

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