Ref: 69/2023/August/ECHA

22 August 2023

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Re: **EDUSAVE CHARACTER AWARD**

1. MOE has introduced the Edusave Character Award (ECHA) in 2012 to enable schools to recognise students who demonstrate exemplary character and outstanding personal qualities through their behaviour and actions.

2. The objectives are:

    - To send a clear and strong signal of the importance that MOE places on character and values, on par with achievements in the academic domain; and

    - To recognise outstanding students in each school who are exemplary in character, and who can be role models to inspire others.

3. This letter seeks to communicate to you the details of the ECHA, in particular the eligibility criteria and selection process in our school.

4. **ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

    I.   The nominee must be a **Singapore citizen**. All Singaporean students are eligible **regardless of the level that they are in.**

    II.   The nominee is a role model in her **conduct** and **attitude**.

    III. The nomination process is open to all students, staff, parents and partners (coaches, long-term vendors, etc.).

    IV.   Students may be nominated regardless of their academic results, provided that their weak academic results are not due to negative character traits but are attributed to difficulties that extend beyond the control of the student.

    V.   The nominee must, on a consistent basis, have demonstrated good character traits and exhibited the **school values** as listed below, especially a high level of **civic responsibility** and qualities associated with **resilience**. This includes demonstrating a strong positive attitude, passion and enthusiasm in their work and interaction with others be it in academic or non-academic areas.

    - Compassion: To show care and concern, be sincere in words and deeds and be understanding and kind.
    - Humility: To show respect to people, be ready to learn from mistakes made and willing to learn from others.
    - Integrity: To have the courage to do the right things with the right intentions, to be honest in thoughts, words and actions and treat others right.
    - Perseverance: To have the drive, the strong will and commitment to be the best that you can be, to seek growth and development, to be forward looking and working to succeed.

- Civic Responsibility: To be concerned about issues in the community or issues faced by others, initiating action to address these issues to improve the lives of others, and be committed to make a positive difference; and/or participated in Service Learning and taken proactive steps to go the extra mile for the community project.

5. **SELECTION PROCESS**

There will be three key stages in the selection process – nomination, shortlisting and endorsement. It will involve representatives of key stakeholders at each stage of the selection process to provide a diversity of perspectives and to enhance the robustness of the selection process.

6. **RECOGNITION**

ECHA awardees will each receive a certificate and an award voucher. The award will be presented at a platform determined by the Ministry of Education. The ECHA award quanta are as follows, depending on the level of study.

Levels	Award Quantum
Primary 1 to 3	$200
Primary 4 to 6	$350

7. **NOMINATION**

- Nomination period: **22 August to 4 September 2023**
- Please submit your nomination via the following FormSG link: https://go.gov.sg/chijolgcecha2023.
- Alternatively, you may also scan the QR code to submit your nomination.

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- The closing date for nominations is **4 September 2023 (5pm).**

8. For any enquiries / clarifications, please contact the school at 62886930 during office hours.

9. Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

Ms Grace Tan
Principal