

Unity Secondary School

Lifelong learners, Inspiring Leaders



2024 e-Prospectus



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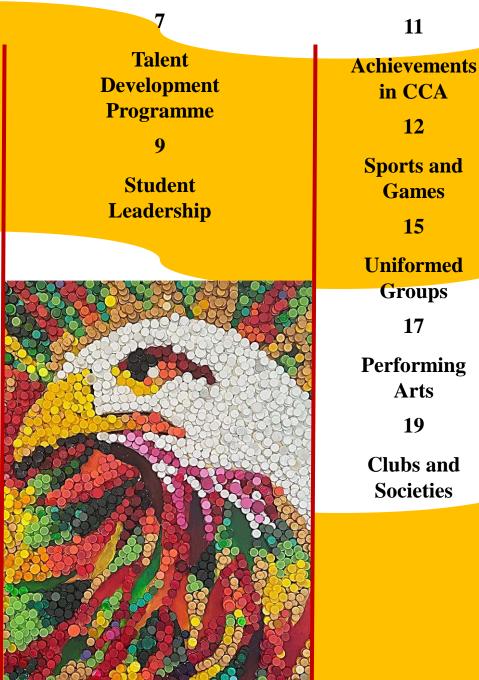
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Principal's message

A School of OpportUNITY, we welcome students and parents to step into the school that provides Rich Opportunities for students through our EnRiching, Rigorous and Relevant Programmes and Classroom Practices that are anchored in strong Relationships built between our Character Coaches, teachers and students.

EnRiching - In Unity, we believe that every Unitian has potential to be an inspiration to others and this belief drives our motivation to provide rich opportunities for all Unitians. Run on a 4+1, 4-Day Academic and 1-Day Character Development Curriculum, Unitians dive into rich learning experiences from Monday to Thursday and the school is turned abuzz with Unitians embracing opportunities to be Leaders of Self and Others where CCA Leaders step up to lead in CCE lessons and CCAs on every Friday.

Multiple practical platforms are created for Unitians experience and to practise leadership where they model the way and inspire others to lead. Diverse stretching programmes such as our Leaders of English Programme, Advanced **Mathematics** and Scientist Programme Young Programme nurture students' talents and interests beyond the textbooks. In Unity, teachers are called Character Coaches as their focus is on development of Unitians to be young gentlemen and ladies to be leaders of character.

Rigorous and **R**elevant – 'Every Classroom A Good Classroom'. Teachers in Unity Secondary immerse themselves in inquiry practices and lesson planning to design Active Learning lessons where every Unitian is an Active Learner – Doing to Learn; Learning with Others and constantly Assessing their Self Learning. Technology is harnessed to make learning and teaching visible in our classrooms.

Unity Secondary, a School of OpportUNITY is blessed with opportunities because of the strong support from our Teachers, School Admin Team, Parents, School Advisory Committee, Alumni and Community Partners who work in tandem with us to develop Unitians to be Lifelong Learners and Inspiring Leaders.



Mdm Adel Ong Principal

Together, We Seize Opportunities To Build Our Tomorrows!



Lohei in Unity and togetherness during Chinese New Year Celebrations!

Mission

To develop Unitians to be resilient and futureready with the passion to serve and lead

Motto

Leading Self, Serving Others Actualising Self, Inspiring Others

Vision

Lifelong learners, Inspiring Leaders

Values

- •Respect
- Compassion
- Commitment
- •Integrity
- Perseverance

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School History

Unity Secondary School was established in January 2000 with 17 staff and 364 pupils. Mr N Satianathan, who was appointed Principal-designate in July 1999, became the school's first Principal.



The building of the school before 2000.

As a testament to the efforts and contributions of staff, students and our partners in the journey towards school excellence, Unity Secondary School made significant achievements in many areas.

For a holistic student-centric, valueseducation. driven the school has developed and implemented two distinctive programmes in 2015 aligned to the School Motto. These distinctive programmes aim to develop our students into Confident Persons, Self-Directed Learners, Concerned Citizens and Active Contributors as spelt out in the student outcomes of the MOE 21st Century Competencies Framework.

The official opening ceremony of the school was held on 15 November 2001. The opening ceremony was officiated by Mr Yeo Cheow Tong, then Minister for Communications & Information Technology and MP for Hong Kah GRC.

Since the inception of the school, the set of five School Values – Respect, Commitment, Integrity, Compassion and Perseverance" has been established to guide every cohort of Unitians in their character building.



At the official opening of the school by Mr Yeo Cheow Tong.

CCA Form Class



and 4+1 week

Unity Secondary is a School of Opportunity where we run on a 4 Day Academic and One Day Character Education cum CCA Day timetable. Our Form Classes are organized into clusters with 2 CCAs in each class, fostering natural friendships through shared CCA learning, play, and service. At Unity Secondary, our Form Teachers, are known as Character Coaches (CCs), and most of the CCs serve as both your form and CCA teachers, enabling your teachers to understand you better in various settings.

To kick off the academic year, an orientation programme has been planned to help you familiarize with our school's facilities, policies, and school expectations. This orientation will also provide a wonderful opportunity for you to connect with your fellow students, teachers, and your seniors. You will also get to experience the different CCAs through our CCA Fair at the end of Week 1 before you select your CCAs.

During the orientation programme, the school rules and expectations will also be clearly explained to all students. We hope that you will respect and abide by these rules so that there may be order and discipline in the school, which are fundamental to safety, learning and achievement.

> Mdm Adel Ong Principal

Unity in Active Learning

In Unity, we adopt an Active Learning Approach supported by technology to develop our students to be *Conscientious Learners* as well as *Critical and Inventive Thinkers*.

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Opportunities are given to students to acquire self-directed learning characteristics.



Applied Learning Programme

Eco-Innovators in Action – Thinking & Tinkering Champions of a Sustainable Singapore

Ever imagined how Singapore's food production can be made sustainable in a world confronted by climate change and other challenges? Ever thought of energy-efficient solutions that can ensure Singapore's sustainable development in the future?

Here at Unity Secondary School, we aim to nurture our students to understand real-world challenges, to equip them with skills to work well in a team and solve problems innovatively as well as to develop them into the digitally savvy citizens of the future.







Scan here for more info on Applied Learning Programme or <u>click here</u>.



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Talent Development Programme

At Unity, we believe that every child is unique, and our talent development programmes help every Unitian to find their passion in the subjects they love. Talent Programmes in Science, English and Mathematics provide our students with experiences and platforms for them to take their dreams to the next level, through specialised modules, learning journeys and more!

Young Scientist Programme

The Young Scientist Programme has allowed me to broaden my horizons and learn outside the Science syllabus such as building a sustainable Singapore. This has led me to become more passionate about Science.

By being involved in many presentations and competitions through this talent programme, I am able to move out of my comfort zone and be more confident in communicating my opinions and ideas to others.



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As someone who has always been interested in Science, I was extremely excited to join the Young Scientist Programme (YSP). The school's YSP project has helped me to further my knowledge in Science and allowed me to experience how Science could be utilised to help improve our lives and thus, making me more passionate about the subject.

One particular project that taught me what it meant to be a scientist was generating a report on sustainable living. It allowed me and my peers to go through research work like what real scientists do.



Talent Development Programme

Advanced Mathematics Programme

The exposure from Mathematics Talent Programme has enabled me to improve my critical thinking skills. I appreciate the subject more and get to make friends through Advanced Mathematics Programme as well.

A quote from Usain Bolt that I personally believe in is – "The difference between the impossible and possible lies in determination."

The Mathematics Talent Programme has taught me about perseverance and not giving up when faced with a difficulty. My time spent in the Talent Programme has deepened my knowledge in Mathematics as I could plan for the school's Pi-Day Challenge.

I would like to share a favourite quote by Albert Einstein, "You never fail until you stop trying." Therefore, I always do my best and will not give up even if i have made a mistake!

Leaders of English Programme

Goodbye Nature

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Sun-rays, once gentle and caressive, Now harsh and ruthless. Blares of the sun, blinding. Withering everything in its path. Once a river of life, Now all dried up. The dense forest, now scarce, Was a place for fauna, To breed and feed. But taken away, Due to man's insatiable needs. The moon and stars disappeared. The sky now pitched black. Mother Nature cries for help. A word of advice, answer...

CHLOE SNG YU TING (Sec 3 / CCA: Table Tennis) English Pastry Competition for Secondary Schools Majulah Book of World Records 08

Student Leadership

- Unity Exco

Every student, an Inspiring Leader, the school has been intentional in imparting values and cultivating leadership competencies and dispositions in all our students, in preparation for them to thrive and make a positive impact and difference in their sphere of influence.

Unity Secondary School adopted the Student Leadership Challenge by Jim Kouzes and Barry Posner. We use the 5 leadership practices to train our students.



Our Student Leadership Framework

We believe that every student can be developed to be a leader.

All the Presidents of each CCA, will be developed to be **Leaders of Leaders**. They will form the Unity Council, to represent the different segments of students' voices in the school, engage in meaningful conversations with the school management team and influence decision making across wide-ranging aspects of their learning and learning environment in the school.

They also engage the CCA leaders to collectively influence the development of school rules, policies and make improvement to the student-related activities. Besides working with fellow student leaders within the Student Council, they are also given opportunities to reach out and collaborate with the community.



Achievements in CCA

Year 2024 and 2023

Basketball B Div Boys	4 th Placing	National 2024
Basketball B Div Boys	3 rd Placing	West Zone 2024
Table Tennis B Div Girls	4 th Placing	West Zone 2024
Football B Boys	3 rd Placing	West Zone 2024
NCC (Air)	Unit Award - Distinction	National 2023
NPCC	Unit Award - Distinction	National 2023
Scouts	Frank Cooper Sands Award - Gold	National 2023
Boys' Brigade	Unit Award – Gold	National 2023
Girls' Brigade	Drills Competition – Gold	National 2023
Band	SYF - Distinction	National 2023
Choir	SYF – Distinction	National 2023
Dance	SYF – Distinction	National 2023
Indian Orchestra	SYF - Distinction	National 2023

Sports and Games CCA Track and Field







Soccer







Sports and Games CCA Table-Tennis







Volleyball Girls







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Sports and Games CCA Basketball Boys and Girls













Uniformed Group CCA







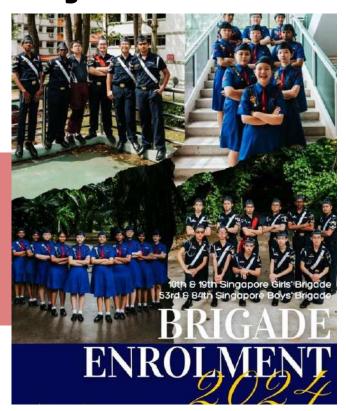
NPCC







Uniformed Group CCA Boys and Girls Brigade







Scouts







Performing Arts CCA Choir







Dance







Performing Arts CCA Speech and Drama



Symphonic Band











Clubs and Societies CCA

Eco Explorers Club







Unique Media Productions







Clubs and Societies CCA

Uniq Artists









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