

Highlights of Pre-University Seminar 2023

- *Pre-Seminar Workshop and Dialogues with Experts (March – May)*

All student participants attended a half-day in-person workshop in March at Jurong Pioneer Junior College, where they met their group members, explored the seminar's theme, and decided on their groups' chosen sub-theme and areas of focus. Each group also identified issues of common interest and significance within their chosen area of focus. In the following months, the groups reached a mutual decision on their project focus, and had the opportunity to speak to identified experts, such as academics and representatives from the public, private and people sectors, to deepen their understanding of their chosen project focus.

- *Opening Ceremony (29 May)*

Minister for Education Mr Chan Chun Sing was the Guest-of-Honour for the Opening Ceremony. Following his opening address, students interacted with him through a dialogue.

- *Learning Journeys (30 – 31 May)*

Students will embark on learning journeys to engage in place-based learning to experience the workings of their chosen sub-themes. The learning journeys will afford students the opportunity to contextualise their inquiries during the seminar in real-world settings — through visiting organisations and destinations such as the Smart Nation and Digital Government Office, City Sprouts Singapore, and Hope Technik. These visits will deepen students' understanding of the broader national landscape, and support them in imagining their vision for SG75.

- *Panel Discussions (30 May)*

Panel discussions on the three sub-themes, helmed by panellists with different areas of expertise, will allow students to tap on their knowledge and experience, as well as build and exchange ideas.

- *Sub-theme and Cross Sub-theme Discussions (29 – 30 May)*

All student groups within each sub-theme will gather on Day 1 of the seminar to reflect and exchange views on each other's proposed solutions. This will deepen their learning within the sub-theme through the exchange of perspectives. To broaden students' learning across the three sub-themes, discussions will converge across all groups and sub-themes on Day 2. This will enable students to understand more about what it means to *live*, *innovate* and *thrive* together in their shared journey towards SG75.

- *Exhibition and Closing Ceremony (1 June)*

Deputy Prime Minister (DPM) and Minister for Finance, Mr Lawrence Wong, will be the Guest-of-Honour at the Closing Ceremony on 1 June, where he will deliver closing remarks. He will also tour the Closing Ceremony Exhibition and engage student groups in dialogue as the students showcase what they have collectively learnt about realising their shared vision for SG75.