



The Association of English Medium Secondary Schools
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Dear Principal / English Panel Chairperson

AEMSS - The Summer Exchange Programme (13-24 July or 10-21 August 2009)

Last year, our Association and *The Summer Exchange* (TSE) co-organized a summer programme for EMI school students. 56 students took part in the English enhancement modules taught by scholars from Harvard University. I am now writing to seek your assistance in recommending students from your school to enrol in this year's programme. Our committee member Mr. Chan Hon Ling, Principal of Kiangsu-Chekiang College (Shatin), will be hosting this programme at his school. He will be working with Ms. Michelle Chen Meiling, founder of *Institute of Beautiful Life* and *The Summer Exchange Programme with Harvard University Students and Alumni*. The information sheet sent with this letter gives details of the programme.

With the implementation of the NSS curriculum in 2009, Hong Kong is moving towards a new era of education reform and becoming more and more global. Educators need to provide more opportunities to inspire students and help them to build a sustainable global community. In this programme, scholars from Harvard University will help train our students to be more effective communicators. Besides training in public-speaking, drama and debating, there will be opportunities for students to engage in 'cultural interflow' so that the American students can learn about our Chinese culture, just as the Hong Kong participants will learn about theirs.

Not many families can afford to send their child abroad on a study tour. This is why we try to bring a foreign culture to our schools in Hong Kong. Please take some time to study the programme and encourage your English Panel Chair, NET(s), OLE coordinator or ECA Coordinator to publicise the programme in your school. Mr. Chan will personally attend to the needs of local schools and ensure that the programme will run smoothly and effectively.

Please ask your students to download or photocopy the enclosed application form either from the TSE website www.csef.org.cn or kcc-st.school.net.hk and submit the form to Kiangsu-Chekiang College (Shatin) via mail or fax (2602-5293) on or before May 31, 2009 (Sunday). All applications need to be endorsed by the school principal. Fees should be paid by cheque only, payable to "Association of English Medium Secondary Schools" and sent to Mr. Chan Hon Ling, principal of Kiangsu-Chekiang College (Shatin) at 7 Fung Shun Street, Wo Che Estate, Shatin, N.T. after your students have taken the interview on June 6, 2009 (Saturday). If the programme is cancelled due to a further spread of Human Swine Influenza (or Influenza A H1N1), students will receive a full refund of their payment. For enquiries, please contact Mr. Chan Hon Ling at 2697-2179.

Lastly, I take this opportunity to thank you for supporting the English Drama Fest. The Prize Presentation and Outstanding Performances will be held on May 16, 2009 (Saturday) from 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the AC Hall of the Hong Kong Baptist University. Please send your seat reservation request to liliana@netvigator.com and receive online confirmation.

Yours faithfully,

Rosalind Chan
Chairperson