

Quality Education Fund Thematic Network (QTN)

Issues-based Exploration to Foster Students' Critical Thinking Skills and Positive Values – “Cognition; Thinking; Experience and Application”

1. Support Service Co-ordinator

Sha Tin Methodist College

2. Areas of Collaboration

Curriculum development and learning and teaching of Liberal Studies in secondary schools

3. Foci of Development

QTN co-ordinator will support teachers of participating schools to promote and develop Liberal Studies at schools. The foci of development are as follows:

- To enhance critical thinking ability and arouse learning motivation of students through issue-inquiry learning
- To foster teacher's professional capacity in lesson design and assessment
- To nurture students' values

4. Modes of Exchange and Collaboration

On-site support and network activities: QTN co-ordinator will support and collaborate with teachers of participating schools regularly for one school year through the followings:

- thematic lectures
- seminars
- on-site support
- lesson observations and evaluations

5. Expectations on Participating Schools

To make good use of the support services, participating school are expected to:

- create 3 consolidated lesson plans (per school)

6. Points to Note

- The support services normally last for one year
- Active engagement of participating schools throughout the support services is expected
- All participating schools should appoint panel heads / deputy panel heads to be responsible for the

liaison of QTN activities

- At least one representative should attend each QTN activity
- Participating schools are required to attend two Executive Committee (EC) meetings and an annual dissemination seminar to share the good practices derived and challenges faced

7. Enquiries

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