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EFPS/2017

Dear Parents,

**RE: Nomination for the Edusave Character Award (ECHA)**

The Edusave Character Award (ECHA) aims to recognise students who **demonstrate exemplary character and outstanding personal qualities through their behaviours and actions**. This is part of the larger goal to foster an inclusive and stronger Singapore as we broaden the qualities and achievements to be encouraged and applauded. The award also supports schools' continuing efforts in nurturing students of good values and character, who are active contributors and concerned citizens.

The objectives of ECHA are as follows:

- 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.

**Eligibility criteria:**

1. The award is given out to **Singaporean students** who have met the selection criteria and who have cleared the selection process.
2. Students should, on a **consistent basis, demonstrate good character and values**. In particular, students may be identified for demonstrating the following types of qualities:

(i) Our school values:

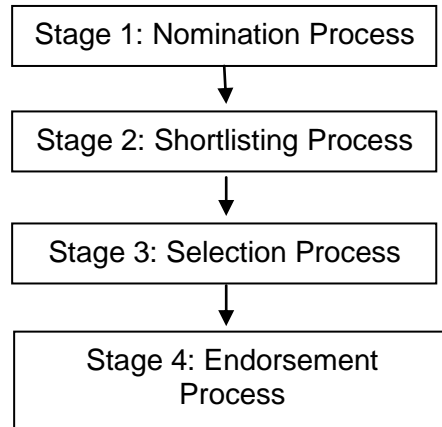
School Values	Statement of Actions
Integrity	Chooses to do the right thing and is responsible for his actions.
Courage	Faces up to failures and mistakes.
Compassion	Listens and provides sympathy and helps friends who are in need.
Discipline	Follows school rules and upholds Edgefield's image at all times.
Respect	Listens, greets and treats everyone in the school with respect
Team Spirit	Works harmoniously, encourages and helps peers
Loyalty	Is proud of Edgefield Primary School and country

- (ii) A high level of civic responsibility. These would be students who are concerned about issues in the community or issues faced by others, initiating actions to address these issues to improve the lives of others and being committed to make a positive influence.
- (iii) Qualities associated with resilience. These would be students who have persevered despite facing difficult circumstances (eg: financial problems, family issues and health issues etc), and managed to overcome such

challenges and still do commendably well in both the academic and non-academic domains.

### Selection Process:

The school has a robust selection process to nominate, shortlist, select and endorse deserving nominees for the ECHA. The following flowchart gives an overview of our selection process.



### Award Quantum:

ECHA Awardees will receive a certificate and an award voucher. The ECHA award quantum are as follows:

Levels	Award Quantum
Primary 1-3	\$200
Primary 4-6	\$350

Nomination of this award is open to all pupils, teaching and non-teaching staff, parents and Alumni and is open from **18 September to 30 September 2017, 5pm. Any application after the stipulated deadline will not be accepted.**

We hereby attach a hardcopy of the nomination form with this letter. Alternatively, nomination forms can be obtained from the school's general office.

All completed nomination forms are to be handed in to the general office.

As our partners-in-education, your input is valuable in helping to surface pupils who are deserving of this award.

Yours sincerely,



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Vice-Principal 2

