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Edusave Character Award (ECHA) 2026



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Background

MOE introduced the Edusave Character Award (ECHA) in 2012 to enable schools to recognise students who **demonstrate exemplary character** and **outstanding personal qualities through their behaviour and actions.**

Objective(s):

- 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.

MOE Eligibility Criteria

- Must be a Singapore Citizen.
- Demonstrate good character and values.
- Students may be identified for demonstrating the following types of qualities:
 - a) Values and/or character traits that the school wishes to recognise or encourage,
 - b) Qualities associated with resilience. These would be students who have persevered despite facing difficult circumstances (e.g. financial problems, family issues, health issues etc.),
 - c) A high level of civic responsibility. These would be students who are concerned about issues in the community or issues faced by others, initiating action to address these issues to improve the lives of others, and being committed to make a positive differences.

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School-Based Nomination Criteria

- The nominee must have obtained at least a pass in overall academic performance in the academic year.^[1]
- The nominee must have conduct grade of at least **very good**.
- **All ECHA awardees should have received SEA Awards in previous years or current year.** ^[2]
- **Only upper secondary students can be nominated. Students of other levels may nominate upper secondary students through peer nomination process.**

1 Students with weak academic results may be nominated provided the weak academic results are not due to negative character traits but are attributed to difficulties that go beyond the control of the student. This should be exception than norm.

2 Semestral Exemplary Admiral Award (SEA Award) is given to five students per class, per semester who demonstrate school values.

Nomination Process

- Nomination form is available in the school website. (Annex A)
- Please complete the form using Arial Font 11, not exceeding 1 page.
- You may refer to sample write-up as a guide. (Annex B)
- Submit soft copy of the nomination form to admiralty_ss@moe.edu.sg with the title :
“2026 ECHA Nomination for <Name> <Class>”
Example: 2026 ECHA Nomination for Adam Lee Phoenix 1
- Deadline : **11 August 2026 (Tuesday)**