

## **INTERNATIONAL SPORTS CONFERENCE 2023**

### **BACKGROUNDER**

*"Breakthrough" 25 June - 1 July 2023*

#### **1. The Conference**

The International Sports Conference aims to provide an enriching sporting programme and competition experience with a view to cultivating a sporting athlete for tomorrow's world. We hope that this conference will provide a viable platform for athletes to interact and work together strategically in competitions, and to equip themselves with the skills and knowledge to realize their potential as future sports leaders and to cultivate a balanced and healthy lifestyle.

The International Sports Conference is a collaborative effort between St. Paul's Co-educational College (SPCC) and the Education University of Hong Kong (EdUHK). It is also the eleventh international conference organised by SPCC, following the success of the St. Paul's Co-educational College Model United Nations Conference 2015, the International Student Science Conference 2017, and the International Music Conference 2019.

#### **2. "Breakthrough"**

Because of COVID-19, the sports world has come to a complete standstill. However, Hong Kong continues to make a breakthrough and won 1 gold, 2 silver, and 3 bronze in the 2021 Tokyo Olympics. Hong Kong athletes can rise from adversity to showcase their best performance. This Conference, entitled "Breakthrough", serves to raise the awareness in students to develop their aesthetic appreciation, generic skills, cooperation, critical thinking skills, collaboration skills, and creativity, and apply them in real-life situations.

Our various sports clinics are organised for the students to upgrade their skills and to interact with students from other countries to compete in selected sports. Hence, we hope to attain the ultimate goal of nurturing these athletes in developing their personal and social qualities, desirable sporting etiquette, commitment, a sense of responsibility as well as an understanding of and respect for different cultures in organising events involving physical activities in school or the community.

#### **3. Conference Format**

Participants will be divided into four houses and register themselves in selected sporting activities, namely, badminton, fencing, table tennis, and track-and-field.

Thereafter, competition amongst the four houses would be arranged for the sports. Renowned athletes from Hong Kong will be invited to share their experience and knowledge with our participants.

The mode of communication for this conference will be English.

#### 4. Programme

The conference features a line-up of both indoor and outdoor activities, all designed for an enriching experience in sports. These include keynote lectures, sports clinics, athletes' sharing, and competition sessions.

#### 5. Speakers

Celebrated leaders from the government body, non-governmental organisations, academia, and the business sector have been invited as keynote speakers or to conduct sports clinics.

#### 6. Participants

About 120 secondary school students from overseas and Mainland China as well as local schools in Hong Kong are invited to the conference.

#### 7. Participation Fees

As SPCC and EdUHK will jointly organise the Conference. The participation fee is HK\$4,500 (or US\$574) per student. Accompanying teachers will pay the same fee as student participants.

The fee will cover all the expenses during the Conference, including accommodation, meals and visits. (The costs of air passage, travel and medical insurance, and other personal expenses are not included)

Interested schools should complete and return the Registration Form, together with the bank draft or proof of a non-refundable deposit of HK\$5,000 (or US\$638), to [cro@spcc.edu.hk](mailto:cro@spcc.edu.hk) by 5 May 2023. The balance should be settled on or before 19 May 2023. Payment can be made by bank draft or remittance.

The bank draft should be made payable to "St. Paul's Co-educational College".

Remittance must be effected in full after deduction of charges.

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## 8. Accommodation

Jockey Club Student Quarters

The Education University of Hong Kong

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## 9. Enquiries

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