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Career Counseling Program for Middle School & Secondary Students

Dear parents,

In line with our Career Guidance & Counselling Policy, we are happy to inform you that our school will be commencing a Career Counselling Program aimed at guiding and supporting students of Middle School and Secondary School in making informed career choices.

The program will focus on helping students explore their strengths, interests, aptitudes, and potential career paths while providing them with valuable insights into various professions and higher education options. It is an excellent opportunity for your child to begin planning their academic and professional future.

Key Highlights of the Program which will be rolled out as appropriate throughout the academic year.

- Personalized career guidance sessions.
- Exploration of academic and vocational pathways.
- Workshops and seminars on various professions and industries.
- Interaction with professionals from diverse industries and fields.
- Internships and Industry Partnerships.
- Guidance on selection of stream and subjects for future career goals.

We encourage parent experts from diverse professions to actively engage with the school team and support us in this venture. We believe that early career counselling is crucial in shaping a successful future for our students, and we encourage your active participation in supporting your child throughout this journey.

The Knowledge and Human Development Authority (KHDA) is conducting a study to better understand current practices and perspectives surrounding academic and career guidance in schools. Your support is essential to this study, and we kindly request your consent to allow your child to participate. The purpose of this study is to gather feedback from students in Grades 6 to 12, parents, academic and career guidance counsellors, and school principals. on how academic and career guidance is delivered. The input will contribute to shaping future policies that enhance student outcomes.

Your child's participation will involve completing a questionnaire that takes approximately 20 minutes. The questionnaire will ask about your child's experiences and opinions on the guidance they receive at school and the careers they want to pursue in the future. Confidentiality of the data gathered is maintained at all times. KHDA will use the data in an aggregated manner and personal information of participants will not be reported or disclosed to any external parties.

In addition, parents are invited to participate in the study by completing a separate questionnaire. Your feedback is equally important in helping KHDA assess the level of parental engagement and satisfaction with the guidance provided to your child.

All parents and students are invited to collaborate in this study. However, if you object to your child's completion of the survey, please contact the school.

Survey for Parents of students in Grades 6 to 9.

Thank you for your continued support.

Warm regards,

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