

PROVIDING A HOLISTIC EDUCATION



St. Anthony's Canossian Secondary School The St. Anthony's Canossian Schools trace their humble beginnings in a shop house in Middle Road by the Portuguese Mission where we provided education catering to the the poor parishioners. Driven by the Canossian fundamental principle that the purpose of education is the formation of the heart, the girls were taught the importance of family, home, school, play, work and friendship. They were also treated with love, kindness, firmness and mutual respect.

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Our Foundress, St. Magdalene of Canossa, desired to be modelled after – to share unconditional love to all, especially those who were poor, sick and abandoned. In St. Magdalene's words of living a 'Life Built On Love', the St. Anthony's Canossian Schools nurtured their students to give back to society and to care for the less fortunate.

Thus, the Canossian Brand of Education is all inclusive, seeking to ensure that each student discovers the ability to realise her full potential and bringing out the best of herself. SACSS continues to open its doors to all who seek a Canossian education, regardless of their background or any challenges they might face in their learning.

To continue this revered legacy of the Canossian Brand of Education, our dedicated Canossian Educators embrace the responsibility of forming hearts and minds, and to prepare our students to assume responsibilities for the Singapore of tomorrow.

At SACSS, the aim of the Character and Citizenship Education (CCE) programme is to develop our students to become good individuals and useful citizens. We do this by uniquely blending the social and emotional learning competencies with the spirituality element of our Canossian heritage. We strongly believe that displaying strong character and being a good citizen hinges very much on a person's ability to internalise values that are in alignment with her spirituality. The school therefore works closely with the Canossian Sisters of Charity to create lessons and design programmes for our students.

Values-in-Action (VIA) is also another platform where learning experiences are designed to help students grow into socially responsible citizens who make meaningful contributions to the community. VIA projects are also a way of responding to our Foundress's mission for us to serve the poor. On Foundress Day, we celebrate her legacy with our signature VIA project and head out to the community to bless our neighbours with meaningful gifts and acts of service.

In addition, the school organises an annual VIA overseas trip where the students are given the opportunity to move out of their comfort zones to serve others. Through this initiative, the school continues to develop the quality of other-centredness among our students.

Through all these authentic learning experiences, the CCE programme endeavours to inculcate the school's values of Compassion for Others, Respect for All, Integrity of Character and Passion for Life in all our staff and students.

VISION

A passionate learning community that embraces innovation and excellence within a culture of compassion.

MISSION

To nurture and empower Canossians through a holistic curriculum to be persons of integrity committed to serve God and others.

VALUES

Compassion for Others Respect for All Integrity of Character Passion for Life

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Via, Veritas, Vita

Via (The Way)

We walk confidently and joyfully on the path of life overcoming all difficulties with fortitude and prayer

Veritas (The Truth)

We are sincere in word, deed and action. We are open to truth and knowledge.

Vita (The Life)

We live for others, ready to share, serve and sacrifice for others

PHILOSOPHY

Our motto draws its inspiration from Jesus Christ who is our Way, Truth and Life.

We take Him as our model and seek to follow in His footsteps.

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The school day kicks off in the School Hall, reading together with all your teachers and friends, discovering the different worlds that your books take you to. You then proceed to the Butterfly Sanctuary to continue your Biology lesson on the life cycle of butterflies. During your Mother Tongue Language lesson, brush up on your vocabulary skills by accessing the school's very own Chinese-Go! mobile application, or other interactive platforms using your smartphone.

Recess time is the perfect opportunity to unwind at the Ecological Trail, exploring a variety of fruit and vegetables being farmed in your very own backyard. You then bump into your friend in the herbal garden with her science teacher learning about the different flowering plants on portable Chromebooks. Your school day ends off spectacularly in the cavernous

Black Box, learning to appreciate the aesthetics and exploring your creative side in a purpose-built, flexible performance space.

This is just a typical day at school for an SACSS student. From the Reading Programme where we inculcate a love of reading to the students, to the harnessing of technology to develop vocabulary skills in the Mother Tongue Language classroom, we explore all avenues to develop students into effective and confident users of language. With out-of-classroom lesson opportunities in mathematics and science, analytical skills are honed amidst authentic settings. Finally, purpose-built venues, a creative hands-on curriculum, an appreciation for the arts, and a thirst to explore the humanities round off a perfectly holistic education for every SACSS

The vibrant Co-Curricular Activities (CCA) framework at SACSS offers students a wide spectrum of choices. With 8 Performing Arts CCAs, 6 Clubs and Societies, 6 Sports CCAs and 2 Uniformed Groups, SACSS caters to the many interests of the young women of today.

On a given CCA day, we witness the Modern Dancers flutter lightly into their positions in the dance studio whilst another group of students are engaged in an invigorating discussion on world affairs in the Debate Room. From here, instructions from the Taekwondo Club can be heard, as the girls go through the paces of the ancient martial art.

Of special mention in SACSS is the Drama Club. In the Black Box, a dedicated space for members to explore the world of lights, camera and action. Members are not only fill another's shoes through their drama scripts, they also get a chance to show off their acting chops as well as learn about the background production work such

as scriptwriting, prop-making and costume design.

Our Handball Team has also made many in-roads in the schools' sports scene. The team is formed by students from various CCAs – from the Tennis Team and the Girl Guides to the Library Club. Trainings schedules are also specially arranged to fit with that of their first CCA. The students' dedication to the sport has brought the school much glory since its inception and the team continues to shine brightly on the national stage.

All these talents crescendoed in the inaugural Night Festival, a talent showcase held in 2018. The different CCAs and individual students participated in the one-night only festival – celebrating their diversity and ingenuity. Fairy lights, mini stages, and pop-up stalls selling handmade items filled the school grounds, welcoming both past and present students into this home away from home.