

THE NGENE ANN KONGSI GOLD MEDAL

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Scoring the Game of Life

Since he was young, Ming Zhea has loved playing computer games. His obsession with gaming caused him to neglect his studies, after he entered ITE in 2017. His turning point came during his National Service, when he met peers with clear goals in life. This motivated him to plan for his future.

With a renewed focus, Ming Zhea returned to ITE and enrolled in the *Nitec* in Infocomm Technology course. He transformed into a diligent and high-achieving student, who juggled multiple commitments. These included studies, part-time work, and leadership roles in two CCAs – the Mega ICT Club and ITE College West Student Council. Beyond these, he also dedicated time for community service. Ming Zhea demonstrates that with determination, a second chance at life will eventually bear fruit.

I'm a Doer

"In my two years at ITE, I became a doer. I am quite shy so I have always been more of a follower. However, my lecturers at ITE encouraged me to step out of my comfort zone and become a leader. I had to guide my CCA members, and even emceed many events. I grew a lot from all these experiences. I am very grateful for these opportunities that were given to me. To me, it is important to seize every chance that comes along and make the best out of it."

After ITE

Ming Zhea is pursuing Ngee Ann Polytechnic's Common Infocomm Technology (ICT) Programme, where he can select an ICT-related Diploma to specialise in after completing one semester.

Top Achievements

- Recognised for his all-round excellence, Ming Zhea won the 2023 Lee Kuan Yew Model Student Award.
- He achieved a perfect Grade Point Average score of 4.0, and was on the Director's List for all terms from 2021 to 2022.
- For his outstanding CCA contributions, Ming Zhea was presented the ITE College West 21st Century Star Award in 2022 and 2021.