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ITE SPORT & EDUCATION CONFERENCE 2009

**SHARING OF BEST PRACTICES BY INDUSTRY EXPERTS - A TIMELY
PRELUDE TO YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES 2010**

What better way to find out if the usage of baby walkers improve the jumping and hopping skills of toddlers in Singapore, than to sign up for the ITE Sport & Education Conference 2009? To be presented by Ms Jernice Tan of National Institute of Education (NIE), Nanyang Technological University (NTU), this is one of 15 insightful topics, which will be covered at the two-day Conference.

2 The Conference will take place on 4 and 5 December 2009 at ITE College East. It is supported by the Singapore Sports Council, the Physical Education and Sport Science Department (PESS) of NIE, the Singapore Physical Education Association and the Co-Curricular Activities Branch of the Ministry of Education.

3 Eight practical workshops will also provide some 300 Conference participants with “hands-on” learning experience. One of these is “Capoeira”, a Brazilian blend of fight, and dance executed to the sound of musical instruments, claps and chanting. This workshop will be conducted by Mr Joe Ang of the Zambiacongo Capoeira Group Singapore.

4 **Mr Teo Ser Luck, Senior Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Community Development, Youth and Sports and Ministry of Transport**, will officiate at the Opening of the Conference on **Friday, 4 December 2009 at 09:00 am at ITE College East**. Mr Teo is also the Keynote Speaker of the Conference.

5 Dr Ricky Tam, Principal of ITE College East, said: "2010 marks a very important year for Singapore in the international sports arena with the Youth Olympic Games being held here. ITE strongly supports this national effort. In fact, at least 2,100 of our students have registered as volunteers for the Games. With greater awareness of the best practices shared through this Conference, we can all build bridges of friendship with youths of the world."

6 Additional information on the Conference, programme and speakers can be found at <http://www.itesportconference.com.sg>

Invitation to Media

7 Members of the media are cordially invited to attend and cover the Opening of ITE Sport & Education Conference 2009.

8 The Opening Programme and Location Map of ITE College East are at **Annex A**.

9 For confirmation on attendance and arrangement for interviews and photography, please contact:

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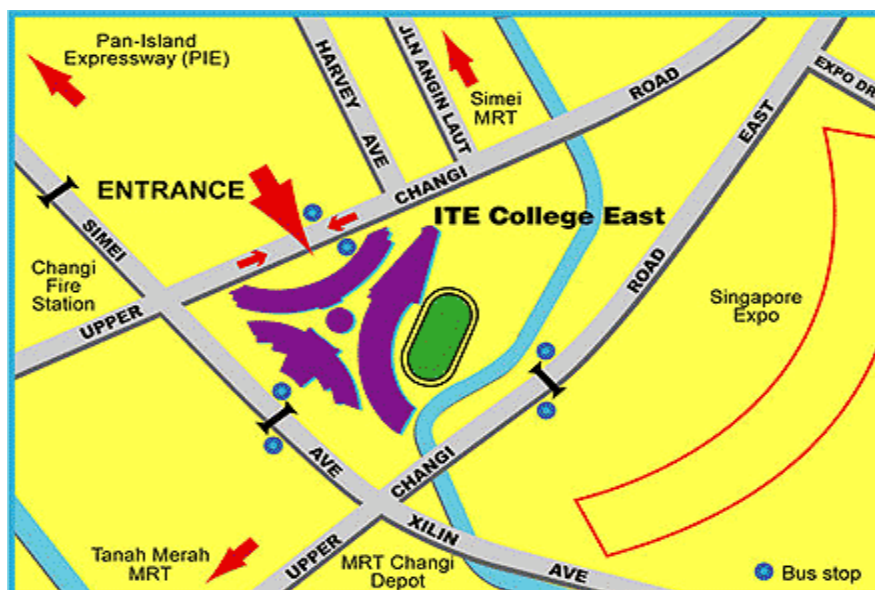
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PROGRAMME

0830 hrs	Arrival of Guests and Participants at Auditorium, Level 3, ITE College East
0855 hrs	Arrival of Guest-of-Honour Mr Teo Ser Luck Senior Parliamentary Secretary Ministry of Community Development, Youth and Sports and Ministry of Transport
0900 hrs	Welcome Performances by the Show Choir of ITE's Centre for Music & the Arts (CeMTA) Opening Address by Dr Ricky Tam, Principal, ITE College East Speech by Guest-of-Honour Presentation of Token of Appreciation Closing Performances by CeMTA and Acaq Columbo Capoeira Tour of Mini-Sports Fair and Tea Reception
1030 hrs	End of Programme

Location Map of ITE College East

10 Simei Avenue, Singapore 486047