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## **ITE Celebrates 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with Community**

*ITE opens its doors and gives back to community at ITE Fiesta 2017*

In celebration of ITE's 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, 2,500 households in the Ang Mo Kio Group Representation Constituency (GRC) and Sengkang West Single Member Constituency (SMC) will each get a bag of groceries worth \$25, purchased with donations from ITE staff, alumni and the seven Citizens' Consultative Committees within Ang Mo Kio GRC and Sengkang SMC. This is the first initiative of its kind that involves the entire ITE Community – staff, students, alumni and partners – to raise funds for residents in the neighbouring community.

On Sunday 27 Aug 2017, **Dr Koh Poh Koon, Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Trade & Industry & Ministry of National Development** will flag off the **Grocery Drive** at **ITE Fiesta 2017** at ITE Headquarters & ITE College Central. A total of 600 ITE students will deliver bags of groceries to various community centres on foot or by bus. Other Grassroots Advisors from Ang Mo Kio GRC – Mr Ang Hin Kee, Mr Gan Thiam Poh and Mr Darryl David – will also be attending the event.

The Grocery Drive is one of the many interesting activities to be held during *ITE Fiesta 2017*. And this would make this year's edition of the 'open house' extra special and memorable.

### **All for a Good Cause**

Balestier Khalsa FC will be playing a **Charity Football Match** with the ITE Staff team led by ex-national player, S. Subramani. For every goal scored, Balestier Khalsa FC will donate \$1,000 to Beyond Social Services, a charity dedicated to helping the less privileged children and youths.

Beyond Social Services will collaborate with ITE to co-organise a flea market and mini-carnival known as **Fairground**. Sponsored by Bank of America Merrill Lynch. *Fairground*, which is hosted at ITE for the first time, is typically organised by Beyond Social Services to raise awareness of poverty in Singapore. This year, ITE has played an important role in this worthy cause by getting staff to donate pre-loved items. Also, 176 students from the *Higher Nitec* in Event Management course have been tasked to plan and execute the flea market as part of their coursework.

### **For the Young and Old**

On 27 and 28 Aug 2017, ITE College Central will transform into a mega carnival space with activities for everyone – young and old - to enjoy all day! For those interested to learn a new skill, there are 25 free workshops including learning about car maintenance, becoming your own electrician, maintaining home air-conditioning, and making pasta.



There are also hands-on activities, carnival booths, movie screenings, sports tryout stations and dance workout sessions by ActiveSG, and a Skills Hub for the public to try their hand at the latest technologies.

Participants can also enjoy a community football tournament which involves youth teams from Beyond Social Services, Football Academies and Community Sports Clubs.

To enjoy the fun and activities, 240 seniors from six Senior Activity Centres will be brought on a guided tour.

### **For the Music Enthusiasts**

The lead-up to ITE Fiesta will be as exciting and lively with a Music Festival on 26 and 27 Aug 2017 that will bring together all the music bands in the three Colleges. Held for the first time, the Festival will feature about 350 talents and 60 crew members from various courses. There will be a pop concert, rock concert, carnival of drums and performances by the jazz orchestra, concert band, and guitar ensemble.

### **Background of ITE Fiesta**

Introduced in 2011, *ITE Fiesta* is a community outreach to members of the public and residents who live near ITE Colleges to discover ITE, and the importance of skills and skills careers.

*ITE Fiesta* will be held over 2 days – **27 August (open to public)** and **28 August (open to schools)**. For more information on the schedule of activities, please visit the official event website at <https://www.ite.edu.sg/itefiesta/>

### **Invitation to Media**

Members of the media are invited to attend and cover the event on **27 August 2017**. The details are:

Date: 27 August 2017  
Time: 8.45 am  
Venue: ITE College Central, 2 Ang Mo Kio Drive  
Meeting Point: Sports Field

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### **About ITE**

The Institute of Technical Education (ITE) is a post-secondary education institution established in **1992** under the Ministry of Education. As a principal provider of career and technical education, and a key developer of national occupational skills certification and standards, ITE's **Mission** is to create **opportunities** for students and adult learners to acquire skills, knowledge and values for employability and lifelong learning. ITE's **Vision** is to be A **Trailblazer** in Career and Technical Education. Our **Values** are **Integrity, Teamwork, Excellence** and **Care**. ITE comprises the ITE Headquarters and three ITE Colleges - College Central, College East and College West.

**ITE FIESTA 2017**  
***Always Something New***

**Sun 27 August 2017**  
**8.45 am**

**ITE Headquarters & ITE College Central**  
**2 Ang Mo Kio Drive**

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**PROGRAMME**

<u>Time</u>	<u>Activity</u>
8.45 am	Arrival of Grassroots Advisors and residents from the Community Bonding Walk
	Charity Football Game Kick-Off
	Presentation of Groceries to Representatives from AWWA
	Tour of ITE Fiesta Exhibits and Displays
	Grocery Drive Flag-Off
	Cheque Presentation to Beyond Social Services
	Refreshments
11.15 am	End of Programme

**Annex B**

**Map of ITE Headquarters & ITE College Central**

