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#### **School Vision**

We aim to touch the hearts of the students confided to our care; in turn they touch the hearts of many more in our society, our country, our world with the talents and virtues they developed in their young years.

#### **School Mission**

The mission of St. Joseph's College is to educate students in areas of moral, intellectual, physical, social, aesthetic and emotional development. This process will take place in an environment conducive to learning and in the context of interaction between staff and students.

We believe that our mission and spirit is to impart a human and Christian education to those entrusted to our care within the Lasallian family, and to do so with FAITH and ZEAL.

We believe that in co-operation with parents we work to form the minds and characters of students and become transformed in the process as teacher and student help each other grow as persons.

We believe that success in school means more than good examination results. Students must learn how to learn, to think and to live virtuously.

Our mission is successful when our students

- 1. love their country, develop their talents and appreciate their culture,
- 2. understand and accept themselves and others,
- 3. think logically and critically and express themselves effectively,
- 4. clearly know what they believe and why they believe,
- 5. maintain physical fitness and mental health avoiding excesses and abuses,
- 6. possess social awareness and a sense of responsibility for the common good.

#### **School Goals**

SJC will keep its rich legacy and long heritage in education on the one hand, and respond to the changing needs of the students, the parents, the local community, the country and the world on the other. All our students will:

- enjoy learning, be effective in communication (bi-literate & tri-lingual), be creative, and have sense of commitment;
- have all-round development (including excellence in academic work and IT competence);
- be capable of life-long learning; and
- make contributions to the society, mainland China and the world.

#### **School Motto**

"LABORE ET VIRTUTE"

## **Core Value of Education (School Spirit)**

St. Joseph's College is a well-established school with good traditions. School Spirit can be seen in students' loyalty to God, their commitment to their school duties and their care and concern for others.

Our school therefore expects students to acquire good practices like:

Punctuality, respect for their teachers and schoolmates, personal discipline, obedience, honesty, integrity and good sportsmanship.

#### Major Concern 1: Fostering a healthy school to empower students with positive values and skills to face the challenges in personal growth

Targets	Strategies	Success Criteria	Methods of	Time Scale	People	Resources
			Evaluation		responsible	required
Developing a management and organisation system for coordinating health matters	<ul> <li>1.1 Further develop the Healthy School Committee (with members from Counselling Team, Discipline Board, MCE Team, PTA, Careers Team, SEN, OLE and Old Boys) responsible for the overall health issues within the school. Besides the medical consultant, a legal advisor will be invited to serve on the committee.</li> <li>1.2 Refine the school-based healthy school policy (by identifying the needs of students and school's focus)</li> <li>1.3 Refine the referral system and procedures for identifying and handling needy students</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The Healthy School         Committee is well         developed with the roles         and responsibilities of all         functional teams are         clearly defined</li> <li>Healthy school policy is         well formulated</li> <li>Check lists for         identification of needy         students successfully         reviewed</li> <li>Plan for provision of         follow-up support to the         needy students is well         developed</li> <li>Cooperation and         collaboration among         different pastoral care         teams is strengthened</li> <li>Positive feedback from         60% teachers</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Students' survey</li> <li>Teachers' survey</li> <li>Feedback from parents</li> <li>Review of meeting documents</li> <li>Stakeholders' Survey</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Sept- Oct 2014</li> <li>Sept- Oct 2014</li> <li>Sept 2014</li> </ul>	Healthy School Committee members     Survey Team	Support from external organisations such as:     Department of Health, Hong Kong Family Welfare Society, Old Boys

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2. Fostering a healthy	2.1 Provide a healthy school	A healthy school	Students' survey		• Healthy	Support from
school environment	environment for students	environment is well	<ul> <li>Teachers' survey</li> </ul>		School	external
to promote and	(promoting a clean and	established	<ul> <li>Feedback from</li> </ul>		Committee	organisations
maintain the	inviting school campus,	<ul> <li>Successful</li> </ul>	parents		members	such as:
physical and	improving the school facilities	implementation of	<ul> <li>Stakeholders'</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>Survey</li> </ul>	Department of
psychological	such as the washrooms,	activities like Clean	Survey		Team	Health,
well-being of	implementing environment	School Campaign,	• APASO		<ul> <li>Laboratory</li> </ul>	Education
students	protection projects)	Healthy Information	• Teachers'	• Nov 2014	Safety	Bureau,
	(a) Expand the 'Clean School	Centre, Healthy School	Continuous	& May	Committee	CUHK and
	Campaign' and refine the	Programme, Anti-Drug	Professional	2015	• Form	old boys.
	reward and punishment	Campaign	Development	• Oct 2014	Teachers	<ul> <li>Financial</li> </ul>
	system.	SJC is above average in	(CDP) records	& Feb	<ul> <li>Service</li> </ul>	Support from
	(b) Collect students' opinion	its students' participation	Review of	2015	Training	Guidance
	regarding how to improve	rate in health service	meeting			Program Fund
	school environment	All teachers attend at	documents of	• Sept 2014-		and
	(c) Help students establish	least 1 discipline/	pastoral care	June 2015		Suppl'mentary
	healthy eating habits.	counselling/ Integrated	teams			Fund (CUHK
	(d) Recommend books and	Education/ MCE/ Health				QE Fund)
	other information	Education seminar				
	concerning personal health	Positive feedback from		• Jan- Apr		
	to students	60% teachers		2015		
	2.2 Encourage students to actively	Positive feedback from				
	participate in students' health	60% students				
	service provided by the	Positive feedback from				
	Health Department to ensure	60% parents				
	the physical and mental	• 10% more parent helpers				
	well-being of students	are involved in the MCE				
	2.3 Adopt a whole school	activities				
	approach to guidance and	• 100% of teachers receive				
	discipline so as to foster	"automated external		• Sept 2014-		
	caring and supportive school	defibrillator" training		June 2015		
	ethos:	Success in accreditation				
	(a) Encourage teachers to	as a healthy school				
	attend discipline/					
	counselling/ Integrated			g 201:		
	Education/ MCE/ Health			• Sept 2014-		

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Education seminars (e.g.			June 2015		
form teacher skills)					
(b) Ensure teachers and					
students understand and					
actively follow the					
procedures in handling					
students with discipline					
and counselling issues					
(c) Ensure teachers to receive			• Sept 2014-		
first aid training to cater			June 2015		
for students' needs.					
2.4 Provide continuous			• June - Aug		
professional development for			2015		
teachers					
(a) Continue to take part in the					
CUHK Healthy School			• Sept 2014-		
			June 2015		
•					
policy.					
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	_		Evaluation		responsible	required
3. Developing students' healthy lifestyles through education programmes, thereby enhancing their resilience and immunisation against adversity	3.1 Ensure skills and attitude of healthy lifestyle are adequately covered:  (a) Check students' blood pressure and raise their awareness in hypertension and obesity  (b) Provide emotion and stress management skills in MCE lessons and seminars  (c) Promote honest and proper use of the web as well as awareness of pornographic material on the internet  3.2 Encourage students to participate in life-wide learning along with adequate training  (a) Require each student to enrol in at least one ECA club  (b) Require each student to participate in at least one sports activity or competition  (c) Provide training on service learning for students  3.3 Make use of specific educational programmes provided by various organizations to give anti-drug education, sex education, etc. to students  3.4 Strengthen cooperation and	Knowledge, skills and attitude of the healthy life style are adequately covered in the curriculum     Students actively participate in ECA clubs and other activities as required     The percentage of overweight students is below the Hong Kong average level     At least 10 specific educational programmes for the designated health issues are organized     Students enjoy the life-wide learning experience     Students successfully understood the meaning of serving their community from service learning     Resource kits are well distributed to Parents		<ul> <li>Nov 2014-May2015</li> <li>Sept 2014-May 2015</li> <li>Sept 2014-June 2015</li> <li>Sept 2014-June 2015</li> <li>Sept 2014-June 2015</li> </ul>	_	

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	<ul> <li>(a) Hold S2,S4 parents' meetings</li> <li>(b) Invite parent volunteers to assist the school in matters related to health education.</li> <li>3.5 Promote parent-child communication with the use of resource kits and the "healthy school website"</li> </ul>	Positive feedback from 60% parents	Parents' Survey	• Sept 2014- June 2015		

#### Major Concern 2: Further exploring and implementing strategies to cater for learner diversity

	Targets	Strategies	Success Criteria	Methods of Evaluation	Time Scale	People responsible	Resources required
1	Further developing and improving student support and enhancement programs	<ul> <li>1.1 Develop tailor-made materials that are of a variety of flexible options through which students can demonstrate their competence</li> <li>1.2 Refine self-directed programs (supplementary classes for weaker students, enhancement programme for elite students, opportunities for less active students)</li> <li>1.3 Further develop students' metacognitive skills through training exercises like connecting new information to prior knowledge</li> <li>1.4 Assist the CLP counselor in promoting careers and life planning education</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Tailor-made materials are well prepared by subject departments</li> <li>Each subject department further develops and implements its own remedial support at least at three levels</li> <li>Students have developed metacognitive skills</li> <li>Students show improvement in both internal assessments and public exams</li> <li>At least 80% of the teachers attend talks or seminars related to careers and life planning</li> <li>At least 10% teachers help run programmes organized by CLP counselor</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Inspection of tailor-made graded materials of each subject department</li> <li>Inspection of students' work</li> <li>Observation of Students' performance in lessons and assessments</li> <li>Comparison of examination results in the same and different academic years</li> <li>Inspection of documents</li> <li>CPD hours</li> </ul>	• Sept, 2014 – July, 2015	Subject heads and teachers     I.T. Team	• Manpower
2	Improving teachers' pedagogical strategies for handling learner diversity through professional training	2.1 Encourage teachers to cater for students' diverse learning needs through consistent application of a wide range of teaching strategies, such as:  (a) Effective questioning techniques (b) Small class teaching strategies (c) Co-operative learning (d) Interactive activity approach (e) Enquiry study approach (f) Lesson study (g) E-Learning  2.2 Further reinforce collaborative lesson planning to cater for	<ul> <li>Various teaching strategies are employed to cater for students' diverse learning needs</li> <li>Each subject department produces materials through collaborative lesson planning at least at two levels</li> <li>At least 30% more collaboration and professional sharing among teachers.</li> <li>Students demonstrate progress in both internal</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>SHS results</li> <li>Homework         Inspection     </li> <li>Documented         teach subject             department     </li> <li>Inspection of             meeting minutes             and lesson             observation records</li> <li>Comparison of             students' progress             between terms</li> </ul>	• Sept, 2014 – July, 2015	<ul> <li>Subject         heads and         teachers</li> <li>Survey         team</li> <li>I.T. Team</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Workshops/ Courses provided by the school, EDB and other institutes</li> <li>Manpower</li> <li>Quest'nnaires</li> <li>e-Class</li> </ul>

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		handling learner diversity	assessments and public exams				
3	Enhancing students' learning efficiency and effectiveness through good teaching practices	<ul> <li>3.1 Encourage teachers to give more attention to assessment for learning and to conduct professional-exchange to identify students' strengths and weaknesses</li> <li>3.2 Implement good L&amp;T practices, such as: <ul> <li>(a) Asking students challenging and thought-provoking questions to encourage them to tap into their existing mental models and build cognition upon previous knowledge</li> <li>(b) Including more open-ended questions in homework, tests and exams</li> <li>(c) Giving more specific remarks and action points to help students identify areas of improvement for themselves</li> </ul> </li> <li>3.3 Share good teaching practices (within the same department and across departments</li> <li>3.4 Encourage teachers to incorporate High Order Thinking skills into the curriculum (by panel heads)</li> <li>3.5 Reinforce cooperation among departments by organizing cross-curricular activities</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>At least 50% teachers agree that:</li> <li>Teachers become more alert of the needs of students</li> <li>More open-ended questions to elicit discussion, brainstorm solutions to a problem and/or create opportunities for students to think outside the box</li> <li>More peer interaction to facilitate collaborative learning</li> <li>Teachers give clear and precise comments and responses to students' work and answers</li> <li>More lesson demonstrations and peer lesson observations</li> <li>Students show more interest in learning</li> <li>Improvement in students' performance in both internal assessments and public exams is shown</li> <li>Discussion on how to improve High Order Thinking Skills is conducted in one of the panel meetings</li> <li>All subjects tried out high order thinking</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Inspection of homework, tests and examinations of subject departments through homework inspection</li> <li>Peer lesson observation by panel members.</li> <li>Teachers' feedback</li> <li>Video-taped lessons</li> <li>SHS results</li> <li>Longitudinal comparison of internal and public examination results</li> <li>Panel meeting minutes</li> </ul>	• Sept, 2014— July, 2015	<ul> <li>Panel heads and teachers</li> <li>Survey team</li> <li>I.T. Team</li> <li>Campus TV</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Manpower</li> <li>SHS</li> <li>IT equipment</li> </ul>

Targets	Strategies	Success Criteria	Methods of Evaluation	Time Scale	People	Resources required
					responsible	
		skills during lessons				
		At least one				
		cross-curricular activity				
		is arranged for each				
		subject				
		Sharing of good				
		teaching practice on one				
		Staff Development Day				

**Major concern 3:** Reviewing and Strengthening the Senior Secondary Academic System

Targets	Strategies	Success Criteria	Methods of Evaluation	Time Scale	People responsible	Resources required
Curriculum	T					
1. Reviewing / refining the	1.1 Review the school curriculum	• Improvement in students'	Students' performance	Sept, 2014 – July	Curriculum	• Manpower
curriculum plan	1.2 Review the subject curriculum in	performance in both	(e.g. internal	2015	Development	• Survey
	recognition of the cognitive	internal and public	assessment, SBA and		Committee	
	development of students and the	examinations, in which	public exams)		Panel Heads	
	balance in content between	students acquiring a 4 or	Teachers' and		Survey Team	
	"breath" and "depth"	above in HKDSE is	Students' feedback on			
	1.3 Subject departments revise their	increased by 5 % and the	class structure and			
	implementation plans for junior	average mark in internal	size			
	and senior levels in response to the	exam is increased by 2%	Feedback from			
	fine tuning of the DSE syllabus.	• 90% department heads	individual subject			
	1.4 Refine the timetable and class	agree that:	departments			
	arrangement to improve	✓ Subject curriculum	Surveys of SS			
	effectiveness and efficiency in	plans are implemented	curriculum and			
	learning and teaching	smoothly in junior and	subjects			
		senior levels				
		✓ Smoother				
		implementation of SBA				
		in different subjects				
		✓ Teachers and students				
		find the timetable and				
		class arrangement being				
		able to facilitate learning				
		and teaching				
2. Enhancing the interface	2.1 Review the current bridging	90% department heads	Students' performance	Sept, 2014 – July	Panel Heads	Manpower
between junior (S1-3)	arrangements between junior levels	agree that:	in exams, tests and	2015		
forms and senior (S4-6)	and senior levels in the core	✓ More departmental	assignments			

Targets	Strategies	Success Criteria	Methods of Evaluation	Time Scale	People responsible	Resources required
forms	subjects  2.2 Strengthen the collaboration among all subjects in the same KLA to enhance the coherent and smooth transition between junior and senior levels	collaboration in curriculum planning and design  bridging between junior and senior levels is improved  Teachers and students adapt to the L&T environment of Senior Secondary Curriculum readily  The Senior secondary curriculum is implemented successfully  Teachers can finish the required syllabus with less extra lesson time	Teachers can finish the required syllabus with less extra lesson time     Scrutiny of documents of related committees     Feedback from students and teachers     Scrutiny of the documents of panel head meetings			
3. Reviewing the current OLE arrangement	<ul><li>3.1 Promote service learning programs in whole school.</li><li>3.2 Refine the arrangement for AE in response to the fine-tuning of the EDB requirements</li></ul>	<ul> <li>A whole-school service learning plan is developed and conducted for students</li> <li>The participation of students in service learning is boosted by 5%</li> <li>Positive feedback is elicited from participants</li> <li>Good performance of</li> </ul>	SLP and OLE records     Relevant documents on OLE committee     Teachers' feedback     Observation of students' work     Students' reflection feedback on OLE	Sept, 2014 – July 2015	OLE Committee TIC of Social service group Survey team	<ul><li>Manpower</li><li>Funding</li></ul>

Targets	Strategies	Success Criteria	Methods of Evaluation	Time Scale	People responsible	Resources required
		students is observed in AE courses  • AE courses are smoothly run in the new condition  • Students' works of high quality is found in AE courses.	• Survey			
4. To review the arrangement of class and electives	4.1 Review and refine the policies governing students' taking ApL/ extra subjects, or switching classes / electives 4.2 Review the SBA appeals policy	<ul> <li>Precise policies are reviewed and informed to all stakeholders; the system runs smoothly</li> <li>Stakeholders are informed of the appeal policy</li> <li>SBA appeal system running smoothly</li> </ul>	Feedback from students, teachers and parents	Sept, 2014 – July 2015	CD committee     Subject heads     and teachers	Manpower
Resources  5. To review the (internal) manpower available for supporting the CD committee works	5.1 Review the planning of AE programs 5.2 Review the arrangement for the MCE and self-reading lessons	Sufficient resources are provided for running the AE course smoothly     MCE programs and self-reading lessons running smoothly	Scrutiny of students'     work in AE courses     Scrutiny of records     and documents for the     AE program     development     Feedback from     students and teachers.     Scrutiny of records     and documents of	Sept, 2014 – July 2015	CD committee	Manpower     Funding

Targets	Strategies	Success Criteria	Methods of Evaluation	Time Scale	People responsible	Resources required
			MCE			
6. To explore better	6.1 Explore the possibility of	Various learning activities	Scrutiny of the	Sept, 2014 – July	CD committee	• Funding
utilization of rooms and	upgrading / refurbishing the	can be carried out smoothly	utilization records and	2015	Vice principals	
facilities in school	laboratories / classrooms / campus	in all venues on school	related documents			
premises	TV / distance learning room	premises				
	6.2 Facilitate L&T by improving	Proper facilities are				
	school facilities	equipped for e-learning on				
		school premises.				

# Three-year plan -- Measures to broaden students' choices of elective subjects and provision of gifted education programmes for the sixth cohort of senior secondary students (from 2014/15 to 2016/17 school year)

DLG funded Program(s)	Strategies & benefits anticipated (e.g. in what way students' diverse learning needs are catered for)	Name of program(s) / course(s) and provider(s)	Duration of the Program / course	Target students	Estimated no. of students involved in each school year 2014/ 2015/ 2016/ 2015 2016		ved in ar 2016/	Evaluation of student learning / success indicators	Teacher-in -charge
Other Languages	Enhance students' competitiveness in the 21st Century and increase their chances for tertiary education	French	3 years	Students who have taken French in junior forms	2	2	2	Students' achievements in the AS-level examination offered by the Cambridge International Examinations and administered by the HKEAA	French teacher
Other Programs	Give students a chance to develop their talents and interests in different areas	Music	3 years	S4-6 students of this cohort of students	10	10	10	Students' achievements in the HKDSE Examination	Music teacher
	Provide gifted programs to help gifted students to develop their talents	Programs in humanities, mathematics, science and leadership	2 years	S4-S5 Elite students	20	20	0	Evaluation by course providers	Integrated Education teacher
	Enhance students' debating skills and public speaking skills.	Intensive training course for aspiring debates	2 years	S4-S5 Elite students in the debating team	20	20	0	Students will improve their skills in debate and public speaking	Tutor from other organization