

# REGIONAL STUDIES PROGRAMME (RSP)





### The beginning

In 2008, the Ministry of Education introduced a new programme called the Regional Studies Programme (RSP). It is currently offered at five schools, ACSI, Cedar Girls, RI, RGS and VS.

In VS, RSP students have the privilege of learning Bahasa Indonesia as a third language in school and go through a specially designed Understanding Southeast Asia (USEA) module which is a study of people, places and cultures of Southeast Asia.

### **Exploring our home region**

CHINA

As Singapore grows, it becomes increasingly connected with global cultures and societies. At the same time, Singapore remains connected to its home region of Southeast Asia via shared cultures, histories and geographies.

The Regional Studies Programme aims to instill an awareness and familiarity with our home region. Through their participation in the programme, students will be enriched with the knowledge and insights that will better position them to take advantage of opportunities in a globalised world.



RSP Cultural Immersion to Medan, Indonesia, November 2019

### The details

#### In Victoria School, RSP will have the following features:

- A. Students in the RSP will offer Bahasa Indonesia as a third language and USEA as an enrichment module. To encourage students to offer RSP,
  - two bonus points will be given to RSP students who obtain a grade of A1-C6 for Bahasa Indonesia;
  - Bahasa Indonesia can be counted in-lieu-of a Humanities subject in their L1R5 score;
- B. Up to 20 scholarships will be awarded per cohort of students in the programme;
- C. USEA is non-examinable. Its curriculum will include overseas immersion programmes and structured enrichment modules spread out during the course;
- D. This programme is open to Integrated Programme and (IP) and O' Level track students.

#### **Eligibility for RSP:**

- For students who are not offering Malay as their MTL.
- Students who excel in languages are strongly encouraged to apply.

#### **Eligibility for Scholarships:**

• For outstanding students who are Singapore citizens in RSP.

Our students teaching English and playing games in a local school in Malang, Indonesia.



### **The Perks**

#### **Terms of Scholarship**

- Scholarship allowance of S\$1000 per annum;
- At government or government-aided schools subsidy of school fees (\$60 per year);
- There is no bond tied to the scholarship;
- Funding of \$100 per day for up to 20 days of immersion in Malaysia or Indonesia\* (onshore costs only) for the whole course (\$100 x 20 = \$2000), includes accommodation costs and meals, and excludes daily spending, visas, insurance and international flight(s) airfare costs.

\*Due to Covid-19 situation, overseas immersion is subject to MOE's approval



Rafting at Bah Bolon River, North Sumatera



Mud Wrestling, Traditional Martial in Bali

## Registration

- For registration, please complete the form via <a href="https://go.gov.sg/vsaeprsp2022">https://go.gov.sg/vsaeprsp2022</a> or this QR code by 28<sup>th</sup> December 2022 by 5.00PM.
- Applicants are required to attend an interview when the school reopens.

