

TEMASEK STUDENT EXCELLENCE AWARDS 2026

INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

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CCA Recognition Award (Arts/Sports/Leadership)

The Award

- Certificate

Criteria

This is awarded to students who have been actively involved in their respective CCAs over the Academic Year (AY2025/2026) and have met the following requirements:

- Students of Temasek Polytechnic (TP) involved in TP-registered CCA groups
- No disciplinary record or serious academic-related offence for AY 2025/2026
- Maintained a good level of attendance/involvement for the year
- Displayed exemplary artistic merit / sportsmanship / leadership and conduct in their CCAs
- Significantly contributed to the organisation of *events/projects or led/trained students
- Fulfilled at least one of the following requirements:
 - **Arts:** Preferably represented the Polytechnic in high-profile[^] external events and achieved commendable standards in performance for the year; or
 - **Sports:** Represented the Polytechnic in inter-tertiary competitions (≥ 5 participating institutions) and achieved at least a bronze medal in individual or team events for the year for POL-ITE or equivalent
 - **Leadership:** Led and organised at least 2 significant high-profile projects for the year that have impacted a wider community beyond his/her own student group.
(Note: Only "Organiser", "Assistant Organiser", "Coordinator" or "Assistant Coordinator" roles in SEAL records are accepted.)

* The TSEA Secretariat will consider events/projects conducted in all formats (physical/online/hybrid)

[^] High-profile indicates at least one of the following:

- 1) Press coverage
- 2) GOH (at least Director or equivalent)
- 3) Event attendance (at least 100 persons)

- *Note: If there is no evidence to support the high-profile events, e.g., photos, attendance numbers, & etc, the TSEA Secretariat reserves the right to disregard the event.*

- *Note: Students who receive the Full Colours or Half Colours Awards will not be awarded for the Recognition Award.*

Nomination

Please submit your nominations using the form provided [here](#).

Full Colours/Half Colours Award

The Award

- Certificate

Criteria

This is awarded to students who have been actively involved in their respective CCAs over the Academic Year (AY2025/2026) and have met the following requirements:

- Students of TP involved in TP-registered CCA groups
- No disciplinary record or serious academic-related offence for AY 2025/2026
- Maintained a good level of attendance/involvement for the year
- Represented the Polytechnic in inter-tertiary competitions (≥ 5 participating institutions) for AY25/26 and achieved any of the following:

Full Colours Award

- Awarded to students who have achieved 1st in Polytechnic-ITE (POLITE) competitions,
- 1st, 2nd or 3rd place in Institute-Varsity-Polytechnic (IVP) Competitions
- Achieved 1st place in competitions, organised by the polytechnics, universities or equivalent
- 1st, 2nd or 3rd in the national-level competitions

Half Colours Award

- Awarded to students who have achieved 2nd place in Polytechnic-ITE (POLITE) Competitions
- Achieved 2nd place in competitions, organised by the polytechnics, universities or equivalent.

- *Note: Only the higher award is given to the eligible student(s). Students who receive the Full Colours or Half Colours Awards will not be awarded the Recognition Award.*

Nomination

Please submit your nominations using the form provided [here](#).

Artiste of the Year

The Award

- Book Prize
- Certificate
- Trophy

Criteria

This is awarded to an artist who has been actively involved in his/her CCA over the Academic Year (AY2025/2026) and has met the following requirements:

- One nomination per CCA group**
- Students of TP involved in TP-registered CCA groups
- No disciplinary record throughout the course of study
- Maintained a good level of attendance/involvement for the year
- Attained at least an “Excellent” grade in SEAL
- Displayed exemplary artistic merit and conduct in his/her CCA
- Significantly contributed to the organisation of events/projects* or led/trained students
- Preferably represented the Polytechnic in high-profile^ external events and achieved commendable standards in performance for the year

** Preferably one nomination per CCA group. Advisors should nominate the most deserving candidate to ensure meaningful and competitive nominations.

* The TSEA Secretariat will consider events/projects conducted in all formats (physical/online/hybrid)

^ High-profile indicates at least one of the following:

- 1) Press coverage
- 2) GOH (at least Director or equivalent)
- 3) Event attendance (at least 100 persons)

Note:

- 1) *If there is no evidence to support the high-profile events, e.g., photos, attendance numbers, & etc, the TSEA Secretariat reserves the right to disregard the event.*
- 2) *Shortlisted nominees may be required to attend a selection interview.*

Nomination

Please submit your nominations using the form provided [here](#).

Sportsperson of the Year

The Award

- Book Prize
- Certificate
- Trophy

Criteria

This is awarded to a sportsperson who has been actively involved in his/her CCA over the Academic Year (AY2025/2026) and has met the following requirements:

- One nomination per CCA group**
- Students of TP involved in TP-registered CCA groups
- No disciplinary record throughout the course of study
- Maintained a good level of attendance/involvement for the year
- Attained at least an “Excellent” grade in SEAL
- Displayed exemplary sportsmanship and conduct in his/her CCA
- Significantly contributed to the organisation of events/projects* or led/trained students
- Represented the Polytechnic in inter-tertiary competitions (≥ 5 participating institutions) and achieved
 - at least a **gold medal** in **individual or team events** for the year for **POL-ITE** or equivalent; or
 - a **bronze medal** for **IVP** or National-level equivalent for the year

** One nomination per CCA group. Advisors should nominate the most deserving candidate to ensure meaningful and competitive nominations.

*The TSEA Secretariat will consider events/projects conducted in all formats (physical/online/hybrid)

Note: Shortlisted nominees may be required to attend a selection interview.

Nomination

Please submit your nominations using the form provided [here](#).

Student Leader of the Year

The Award

- Book Prize
- Certificate
- Trophy

Criteria

This is awarded to a student leader who has been actively involved in his/her CCA over the academic year (AY2025/2026) and has met the following requirements:

- One nomination per CCA group**
- Student should be a committee member
- Students of TP involved in TP-registered CCA groups
- No disciplinary record throughout the course of study
- Maintained a good level of attendance/involvement for the year
- Attained at least an “Excellent” grade in SEAL
- Displayed exemplary leadership and conduct in his/her CCA
- Significantly contributed to the organisation of events/projects* or led/trained students
- Led and organised at least 2 significant high profile^ projects* for the year that have impacted a wider community beyond his/her own group

** One nomination per CCA group. Advisors should nominate the most deserving candidate to ensure meaningful and competitive nominations.

* The TSEA Secretariat will consider events/projects conducted in all formats (physical/online/hybrid)

^ High-profile indicates at least one of the following:

- 1) Press coverage
- 2) GOH (at least Director or equivalent)
- 3) Event attendance (at least 100 persons)

Note:

- 1) If there is no evidence to support the high-profile events, e.g., photos, attendance numbers, & etc, the TSEA Secretariat reserves the right to disregard the event.
- 2) Shortlisted nominees may be required to attend a selection interview.

Nomination

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Young Entrepreneur Award

The Award

- Certificate
- Trophy

Criteria

This is awarded to entrepreneurial students and *fresh graduates, whose businesses exhibit excellent growth or high potential for growth and scalability. Nominees should also meet the following requirements:

- Originator of the business idea or founder of the start-up
- Articulate clear visions and missions for the businesses
- Demonstrate great commitment to develop and scale the businesses
- Manage academic studies well while being involved in the entrepreneurial pursuits
- Business operational during AY2025/2026
- No disciplinary record throughout the course of study

***Fresh graduates" refer to graduates who graduated from TP not more than 1 year ago.*

Note: Shortlisted nominees may be required to attend a selection interview.

Nomination

Please submit your nominations using the form provided [here](#).

Service Award

The Award

- Certificate
- Trophy

Criteria

This award is presented to **students** who have demonstrated strong commitment to supporting and serving the **TP community** over the academic year (AY2025/2026). Nominees should also meet the following requirements:

- Students of TP
- No disciplinary record throughout the course of study

Note:

1) *Indicate whether the project(s) is:*

- *student-initiated or*
- *Staff-led*

For staff-led project, please describe how the student has supported.

2) *Shortlisted nominees may be required to attend a selection interview.*

Nomination

Please submit your nominations using the form provided [here](#).

Sustainability Award

The Award

- Certificate
- Trophy

Criteria

This is awarded to students who have demonstrated a high level of commitment to championing or supporting eco-initiatives, and who have contributed significantly to sustainability efforts over the Academic Year (AY2025/2026). Nominees should also meet the following requirements:

- Students of TP
- No disciplinary records throughout the course of study
- Significantly contributed to sustainability efforts, which have positively impacted the TP community and/or beyond
- Fulfilled **at least two** of the following requirements:
 - **Reach:** Describe the ways and extent of how the nominee has created significant awareness on sustainability, promoted best practices and spread messages on the latest environmental solutions, in order to inspire and educate (e.g. provide estimated number of students/staff/public influenced from the efforts); or
 - **Impact:** Describe the positive outcomes/improvements arising from the nominee's sustainability efforts (e.g. reduction of energy use by XX%, reduction of water use by XX%, increase in recycling rate by XX%, etc.); or
 - **Recognition/Achievement:** Describe how the nominee has significantly contributed to the organisation's sustainability events/projects, or brought honour and contributed to the Polytechnic through his/her sustainability efforts (e.g. medals / awards / achievements).

Note:

1) *Indicate whether the project(s) is:*

- *student-initiated or*
- *student-supported*

For student-supported project, please describe the role of the student in supporting the event.

2) *Shortlisted nominees may be required to attend a selection interview.*

Nomination

Please submit your nominations using the form provided [here](#).

Outstanding Coach/Instructor Award

The Award

- Certificate
- Trophy

Criteria

This is awarded to an **officially-appointed TP coach or instructor** who has demonstrated all of the following over the Academic Year (AY2025/2026):

- Clear evidence of consistent achievements and performance
- Proven student and team management skills
- Strong commitment to TP

Nomination

Please submit your nominations using the form provided [here](#).