

10th August 2010

Dear Colleague,

STU BEGINNING TEACHERS' FORUM 2010, 4th SEPTEMBER

1 From the team at STU, we have put together a forum especially for all the beginning teachers and/or those who are in their first few years of service.

2 You will learn the role STU can play in enhancing your teaching career and also be informed of the benefits of being an STU member. Feedback from participants in the past forums had been very positive as well.

3 In particular, the forum has been arranged to provide useful tips to our beginning teachers on how to clear probation quickly and successfully, and to better understand some of the current issues relating to performance appraisal and promotion.

4 It is of utmost important that you clear your probationary period. We say this because we have handled cases of our members who were unable to clear probation and hence had to pay back their bond (*up to \$60,000 for some of the cases*). If they are unable to pay, the liability falls on the guarantor of the loan who, in most cases, is a member of the family. Imagine the trauma faced by the beginning teacher and family members when they get "hit" with this huge amount.

5 We cannot overemphasise the importance of this forum for beginning teachers and those who have yet to clear their probation. We look forward to confirming your participation as soon as possible as seats are limited.

Registration Form: <http://www.stu.org.sg/Professional10/RegistrationBTF2010.doc>

Please kindly refer to the event details below:

Date:	Saturday, 4th September 2010
Time:	9.15 am – 11.45 am
Venue:	Room 801 (Level 8), NTUC Centre One Marina Boulevard S(018989)
Closing Date:	Wednesday, 25th August 2010
Costs:	Free of charge (STU member) S\$10/- (Non-STU member)

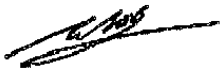
PROGRAMME

- 8.45 am Registration of Participants
- 9.15 am
- Opening Remarks by
STU General Secretary Mr Edwin Lye
 - Sharing by the Young STU (YSTU)
 - Overview on STU Key Activities and Benefits
 - Tea Break Reception
 - Presentation of Issues on Probation & Promotion
Concerning Beginning Teachers:
 - How to Clear Your Probation & Appraisal Well
 - Avoid Potential Pitfall as a Beginning Teacher
 - Potential Liability of the Teacher-Training Deed
 - Question and Answer Session chaired by
STU President Mr Mike Thiruman
- 11.45 am End of Forum

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