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Presents

“Career Conversations@TDA”

In Collaboration With

Shombi Ellis

What Is “The TDA Tech Series®”?

[The TDA Tech Series®](#) is our platform for delivering technical and technological skills to our students through innovative partnerships. **#MultiplePathways**

Announcing the Career Conversations Programme!

In this newest installment of the TDA Tech Series®, we will be offering life skills workshops to our Form 4 and Form 5 students. These workshops are free to Secondary School students at The Dow Academy. In this installment, students will have career conversations focused on:



1. Personal Management
2. Learning and Work Exploration, and
3. Career Building

The course will be led by our TDA Fellow, Ms. Shombi Ellis. Ms. Ellis has over 15 years work experience setting up systems around management and marketing. She has designed and implemented training programs for the employees of government entities, private companies, schools and career fairs. She has developed training materials, arranged for trainers and conducted the modules on writing resumes, interviewing skills and personal career management.

Ms. Ellis has sat on reputable international advisory boards of the United Nations, Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, Planned Parenthood and local NGO's in Botswana

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such as Tebelopele (Voluntary and Counseling and Testing Centres). To learn more about Ms. Ellis's professional summary click [here](#); to learn more about the TDA Fellowship programme click [here](#).



Why Introduce Career Conversations @TDA?

As The Dow Academy is continuing its journey to a comprehensive Multiple Pathway offering, we are striving to expose our students to dialogues about how to achieve their career ambitions. Our vision **@TDA** is to nurture global citizens who build sustainable communities. To achieve this, we are preparing our students to take those important and often determinative first steps towards professional careers that align with their talents and interests. Through the Career Conversations programme, our Form 4 and Form 5 students will explore the below topics over the 2021 academic year. **#GrowingProblemSolvers**

Session Topic	Learning Outcomes / Objective of Sessions
1. Who Are You?	Introduction session about discovering one's self
2. Personal Qualities Inventory	Students should be able to identify their personal qualities and highlight 3 words that best describe them.
3. My Personal Characteristics	Students should be able to know their personal characteristics such as their interests, skills, values, beliefs and attitudes.



4. Behaviors, Attitudes and Self-Concept	Students should be able to develop self-awareness by identifying behaviours and attitudes that mirror their self concept.
5. Personal Skills Inventory	Students should be able to identify the skills and personal characteristics that reflect their experiences and personalities.
6. Careers 101	Students will be introduced to different career options.
7. Vision Boards	Students will be introduced to vision boarding and will be expected to build their collage of words and pictures that represent their goals and dreams
8. Begin With the End in Mind	Students will be expected to be able to determine daily, weekly, monthly and annual tasks that will help them reach their desired direction and vision for their lives

As always, Covid-19 prevention guidelines shall be strictly followed.

How Will it Work?

The programme is open to all Form 4 and Form 5 students from The Dow Academy Secondary School. The programme will run from 14:10 and ending at 15:40. The frequency of the programme will be one workshop per month until the end of the 2021 school calendar.

At the end of this programme, our Secondary School students will obtain **life skills**, **learn how to think about career opportunities** and **earn soft skills they can use to apply for universities or jobs**.

How Do I Apply?

To be included in the programme, all Form 4 and Form 5 students will write a one page application letter addressed and delivered to Ms. Shombi on the first day of the workshop. The students will address what career they want to pursue, and how they will commit themselves to achieve their goal.

The programme is offered free of charge to all students who write their application letter, as all the costs of the Career Conversations programme are covered by TDA.

When Does it Start and How Much Does it Cost?

Venue	The Dow Academy Secondary School Campus
Cost	<p>FREE</p> <p>The Dow Academy is covering the entire costs of this programme.</p>