## CDC News (December 2003)

The 14<sup>th</sup> CDC Meeting was held on 3 December 2003. Salient points of the discussion are as follows:

#### Discuss and Report on Information Technology (IT) in Education – The Way Forward

- Training would concentrate on inspiring teachers to incorporate IT into their teaching. The culture of e-learning would be promoted in the next 3-5 years to enhance students' abilities and IT competency.
- A consultation document on IT in Education Strategy would be released in 2004.

## Report on the Development of Gifted Education and the Way Forward

- Schools were encouraged to nourish gifted / high ability students through school-based gifted development programmes to meet their educational needs.
- Gifted Education Section would collaborate with other KLAs to develop enriched materials which could integrate in the existing curriculum so that the more able students could be adequately stretched.

#### Discuss and Report on the Development of Vocational Modules for Senior Secondary Schools

• It was VTC's internal recognition that students who had successfully completed a vocational module would be considered as gaining one subject pass in the HKCEE. However, local recognition of these vocational modules would still be sought.

# Discuss and Report on the Progress of the Development of the New Senior Secondary Curriculum

- As all students would go through the senior secondary education under the new 3+3 structure, there should be careful consideration of the design of the curriculum framework to cater for students' diverse abilities and interests.
- Steering committees involving principals had been set up to give practical advice on the issues. The CDC-HKEAA Committees on Public Examination Subjects had been formed to develop the curriculum and assessment guides.
- In the new senior secondary education, a new set of standards-referenced approach in the public examination would be adopted.