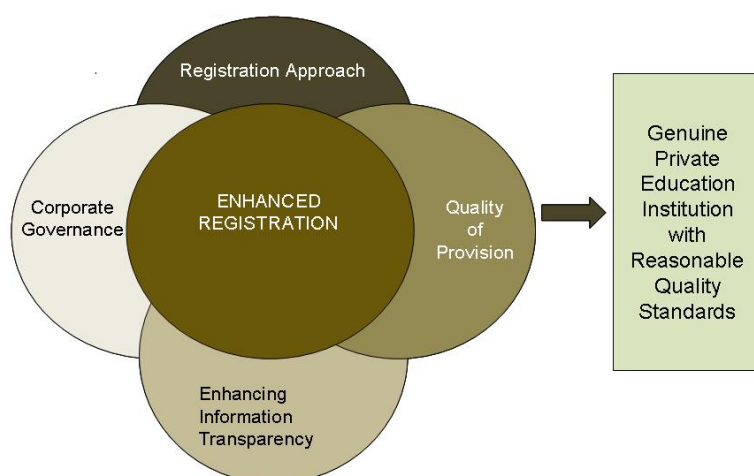


EduTrust CERTIFICATION SCHEME

Private Education Act Bill was passed in parliament on 14 September 2009. The Act was to strengthen the existing registration framework and enforcement provisions. It also provided for the establishment of the Council for Private Education to oversee the new regulatory regime and promote best practices among private education institutions to raise standards in the private education sector.

Under the Private Education Act, the Council for Private Education will implement two schemes — a mandatory Enhanced Registration Framework (ERF) and a voluntary quality assurance scheme called EduTrust. EduTrust certification is a voluntary certification scheme. However, ICA requires PEIs to be EduTrust-certified before approving any student's pass application.

Mandatory Enhanced Registration Framework



Private education institutions which have a significant impact on the Singapore education brand are required to be registered under the Enhanced Registration Framework (ERF). These institutions fall under the following three categories:

- Private education institutions offering education leading to the award of a diploma or degree, or full-time post-secondary education leading to the award of a certificate;
- Private education institutions offering full-time preparatory courses for entrance / placement tests for joining the Ministry of Education's (MOE) mainstream schools, or for external examinations; and

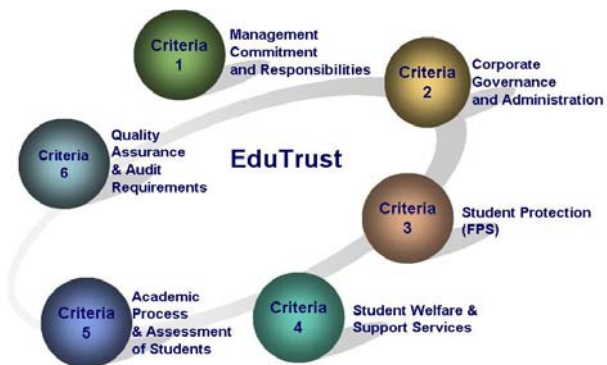
- Foreign System Schools (FSS) offering fulltime primary or secondary education wholly or substantially, in accordance with an international curriculum.

The four aims of the Enhanced Registration Framework are to:

- raise corporate and academic governance standards;
- enhance student protection measures;
- compel disclosure of key information by private education institutions; and
- require private education institutions to seek renewal for their registration.

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The EduTrust certification scheme provides a trust mark of quality. Private education institutions need to achieve higher and more comprehensive standards in their corporate governance and administration, academic processes, student protection and support services, and financial viability.



AEC College EduTrust

We received complements on our commitment in providing a conducive environment with quality equipment and facilities that supports our strategic goals and at the same time provides for continual improvement and growth. AEC strives to have an efficient communication system that is responsive to most aspects related to EduTrust, with critical details like the Fee Protection System (FPS) being published in the student handbook and website.

AEC is commended on its holistic approach in the design and planning of its internal courses, incorporating elements in the curriculum which enables its graduates to progress to the top-up degree qualifications of their university partners.

AEC has a quality assurance system in place that constantly strive for improvement by regularly monitoring and analysing critical data collected, so as to value-add student's educational experience.

Not surprising, AEC is among the 11 elite private education schools to have achieved the EduTrust 4 years certification award. An award given to a private education institution for having achieved commendable performance in key areas of management and the provision of educational services