Twinning between Taiwan and the U.S. Primary and Secondary Schools

In December 2020, Taiwan and the U.S. launched the U.S.-Taiwan Education Initiative, a project designed to strengthen international education collaboration, with a specific focus on language education. In 2023, the two sides announced a three-year strategic plan (2023-2025) to broaden this collaborative effort, extending it to K-12 education and academic alliances between universities in Taiwan and the U.S.

The K-12 Education Administration (K-12EA) of the Ministry of Education in Taiwan provides subsidies for its primary and secondary schools to establish online collaborative exchanges with schools in English-speaking countries, in order to make schools from both sides to sign memorandums of understanding (MOUs) or establish sister schools, to have stronger exchanges and relationships. The following proposal aims to implement the objective 3.1.1 in the aforementioned strategic plan.

Guideline

Through the collaboration of online cultural exchange, online cooperative teaching, online elective courses, and online alternative curriculum, the following goals are expected to be reached:

- 1. To increase students' awareness of and respect for each other's cultures.
- 2. To enhance students' interest and ability in learning English.
- 3. To promote mutually beneficial exchanges between students at the schools.
- 4. To connect local and international learning resources.
- 5. To implement activity curriculum of culture and festival through online copreparation and co-learning with sister-schools.

It is hoped that at least 240 primary and secondary schools can be subsidized to carry out the projects in the 2023 academic year.

List and introductions of schools in Taiwan

The list and introductions of primary and secondary schools in Taiwan that are interested in building up online cooperation, building sister schools, or signing MOUs with schools in Illinois, Maryland, and Texas states can be found **below**.

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