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Heads of all Schools Affiliated to CBSE

Dear Madam/ Sir,


In continuation to its efforts to reach the value-based global standards of education, Central Board of Secondary Education has had initiated the preparation and release of Handbooks on recent qualitative measures taken by the Board. In this context, vide circular no. 17/2019 dated October 1, 2019 and circular no. 18/2019 dated November 4, 2019, CBSE has released a total of 14 such Handbooks /Manuals. I am sure you all have gone through each of these Handbooks and have organised in-house training programmes and discussions as well.

Furthering its efforts, the Board has prepared three more Handbooks for you. The details are as follows:

1. **Handbook for Principals**: After getting affiliated to CBSE, it is the Principal of a school who takes lead in all matters pertaining to his/her school. Principals who are new to CBSE are sure to have several queries about the system. This Handbook unravels the day-to-day areas of work and answers many queries related to the professional lives of CBSE School Principals.

2. **21st Century Skills: A Handbook**: Empowering our students with these skills is another challenging task, which the Board is committed to accomplish. While the Board has already adopted and initiated several innovative policies
and practices to empower our students with the 21\textsuperscript{st} century skills, it is required that all CBSE stakeholders should not only have a clear understanding of them, but also collectively collaborate towards attaining the 21\textsuperscript{st} century skills in each learner. The present Handbook on 21\textsuperscript{st} Century Skills has been prepared with the same aim.

3. **Handbook on Cyber Safety for Secondary and Senior Secondary Students:** This handbook aims to comprehensively cover all aspects of digital literacy and safety. It engages them in learning about responsible online behaviour, their rights, freedoms and responsibilities along with basic awareness about personal security and safety. This manual also contains quick tips for students for online safety.

It is expected that all of you shall go through these Handbooks in detail, understand the measures being taken by the Board and implement these measures in your school, for collective growth of everyone and nation.

Best wishes!

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Secretary