## <u>SED continues visit to Shanghai with</u> <u>LegCo Panel on Education (with photos)</u>

The Secretary for Education, Dr Choi Yuk-lin, together with the Legislative Council Panel on Education delegation, today (August 13) continued their visit to Shanghai to learn about the latest local developments in patriotic education and basic education.

This morning, Dr Choi and the delegation visited two patriotic education bases, namely the Memorial of the First National Congress of the Communist Party of China and the Shanghai Sihang Warehouse Battle Memorial, to learn about the promotion of patriotic education in Shanghai.

Dr Choi said that education shoulders the mission of cultivating patriotic talent with a global vision for society and the country, which is of great significance. The Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government attaches great importance to patriotic education. Through teaching and activities inside and outside the classroom, schools continuously deepen students' understanding of national affairs and the latest developments of the country, and their sense of national identity. The exhibitions and collections of the two bases are vivid teaching materials of patriotic education.

In the afternoon, Dr Choi and the delegation met leaders of the Shanghai Municipal Education Commission to exchange views on collaboration in higher education and vocational and professional education as well as training between Shanghai and Hong Kong, and to explore ways to further support Hong Kong youths to study and participate in exchanges on the Mainland. Dr Choi said that Hong Kong and Shanghai have maintained close ties and continued to proactively promote education exchanges and collaboration between the two places following the signing of a memorandum of understanding on education co-operation last year. She said that she enthusiastically looked forward to the two places launching more diversified, broader and higher-level education collaboration.

Dr Choi and the delegation then visited the Xinjiangwan Experimental School Affiliated to Tongji University and the China Welfare Institute Kindergarten to observe their class activities and listen to their briefings on their efforts in enhancing the quantity and quality of education services. They also met the Chairwoman of the Overseas Chinese, Ethics and Religious Affairs Committee of the Shanghai Municipal People's Congress, Ms Huang Hong, to learn about the latest developments in Shanghai and draw lessons for Hong Kong.

Dr Choi and the delegation will continue their visit to Shanghai tomorrow (August 14).





