



## LIFE-WIDE LEARNING SHAPE THE DEVELOPMENT OF HONG KONG TEENS

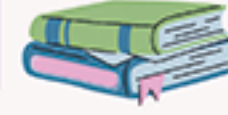
Life-wide Learning (LWL) is a strategy for student learning in real contexts and settings to achieve targets that are difficult to attain through classroom learning. "It helps students achieve the aims of whole-person development and enables them to develop the lifelong learning capabilities that are needed in our ever-changing society" (Education Bureau, 2023).

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## BACKGROUND

## TRADITIONAL WAY



## SIGNIFICANCE

TRADITIONAL EDUCATION IN HONG KONG  
(EDUCATION BUREAU, 2023)

- Teacher-centred instruction
- Passive Learning
- Based on schools, print media and teachers (Yarychev & Mentsiev, 2020)
- Rigid structures and standardized curriculum
- EDB eight aspects of key traditional learning



- Overemphasis on academic performance-knowledge economy
- Ignore creativity and diverse learning styles
- Neglect emotional intelligence - unable to manage stress, relationships and mental health
- Undermine motivation for learning - without curiosity or passion
- Fear of failure - discouraging risk-taking
- Delays preparedness to real-life challenges

THE WAY FORWARD -  
LIFE-WIDE LEARNING /  
WHOLE-PERSON EDUCATION

- Holistic Development
- Community & Civic Engagement
- Future Readiness
- Well-being & Character Building



## PURPOSE

- Bridge the gap between theory and practice
- Empower teens to become active, compassionate, and innovative citizens
- Align with Hong Kong's education reforms (Senior Secondary Curriculum and Values Education Curriculum Framework)

## WHAT IS LIFE-WIDE LEARNING (LWL)?

(Education Bureau, 2022)

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## VALUES EDUCATION

- Learning in real-world settings outside of the classroom
- Efficacy of values education
- Opportunity to practice positive attitudes & values in real-life settings.

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## COMMUNITY SERVICE

- ✓ Social Responsibility
- ✓ Empathy
- ✓ Respect for others



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## CAREER-RELATED EXPERIENCES

- Getting current information about the workplace
- Providing a strong focus on work principles (Honesty, dedication & duty of care)
- A clear understanding of what is expected from the workplace in the future.



## EXAMPLES OF LIFE-WIDE LEARNING

## GOVERNMENT

- Ecotour
- Visiting Social Enterprise
- Social Services
- Physical Activities

HOK YAU CLUB  
(V-STAR PROGRAM)

- Night hiking ecotour
- Visiting Qingko Moment
- Community Living Room
- Chinese Martial Arts, Rock climbing, Hiking

## 2 INTELLECTUAL DEVELOPMENT

- Achieving learning objectives
  - ➡ Subjects closely related to 5 core learning experiences
  - ➡ Challenging to learn in classroom
- Life-wide learning + cross-curricular studies & important learning areas

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## PHYSICAL &amp; AESTHETIC DEVELOPMENT

- Self-assurance, tenacity, & appreciation of aesthetics
- Assist students in creating a healthy lifestyle
- Establishing the basis for lifelong learning



## WHAT HAVE BEEN DONE



## 1. FINANCIAL SUPPORT

- Life-wide Learning Grant (LWL Grant)
- Student Activities Support Grant
- Expanded Operating Expenses Block Grant
- Aim: Support schools in providing diverse, experiential learning activities



## 3. PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- Workshops, seminars, and training sessions for teachers
- Resources and guidance provided by the EDB
- Aim: maximize the effect of the LWL programme



## 2. POLICY &amp; GUIDELINES

- Education Bureau (EDB) promotes integration of LWL into the curriculum
- Encouragement of cross-KLA (Key Learning Areas) Life-wide Learning Committees in schools
- Aim: providing a consistent guidance



## 4. PROGRAMME OPPORTUNITIES

- EDB and partner organisations offer experiential programmes and competitions for students.
- Some funding programmes include subsidies to encourage participation.

## CURRENT CHALLENGES



## INEQUITABLE ACCESS

- Under-resourced schools/low income families

## UNEQUAL PARTICIPATION

- Same schools benefit repeatedly

## LACK TRAINING AND CONSISTENCY

- Misconception of LWL + Limited Teacher Capacity

## SUGGESTIONS

Targeted funding for marginalized schools  
Data-driven prioritization  
Top-up transport subsidies

## Ensure Fair Participation

- Official updates via email, circulars, WhatsApp
- Rotation model for new schools

Develop reflection templates and rubrics  
Establish teacher exchange networks  
Highlight LWL's educational value.