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"Information Literacy for Hong Kong Students" Learning Framework (2024)

Summary

This circular memorandum aims to announce the updating of the "Information Literacy for Hong Kong Students" Learning Framework and the related learning and teaching support measures.

Background

2.   To strengthen the relevant information literacy learning elements in primary and secondary curricula and to further enhance students' information literacy to meet the challenges brought about by the rapid development of the digital world, the Education Bureau (EDB) has launched the updated "Information Literacy for Hong Kong Students" Learning Framework (Draft) in 2022 for schools to implement on a trial basis while continuously collecting feedback and suggestions from stakeholders. We have now further refined the draft in light of the views collected and will officially launch the "Information Literacy for Hong Kong Students" Learning Framework (2024).

Details

3.   The updated "Information Literacy for Hong Kong Students" Learning Framework (2024) has strengthened the contents including Information Evaluation, Cyberbullying Prevention, Personal Data Privacy Protection and Internet Addiction Prevention. Additionally, in view of the growing popularity of emerging and advanced information technology (IT) applications, a new literacy area titled "Recognise the ethical issues arising from the application of emerging and advanced information technologies" is added, which encompasses concerns related to artificial intelligence technology, including issues of laws and regulations, academic integrity, and excessive dependence on technology, aiming to nurture students as ethical IT users and prepare them to tackle the challenges posed by innovative technologies. Schools can download the relevant learning framework from the EDB website (https://www.edb.gov.hk/en/ite/IL-learningframework). We recommend schools promptly implement the Learning Framework (2024) and adopt a whole-school approach to actively promote information literacy education.

4.   To support schools in the effective planning and implementation of information literacy education, the EDB will continue to provide schools and teachers with professional development programmes, on-site support, learning and teaching resources, etc. Relevant information and resources have been uploaded to the Information Literacy Education Support website (https://www.edb.gov.hk/il/eng). For details of EDB's learning and teaching resources and professional development programmes, please refer to Appendix I and II.

Enquiries

5.   For any enquiries, please contact the Information Technology in Education Section of the EDB (Telephone no.: 3698 3608 or 3698 3602 / email: ite@edb.gov.hk).

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Examples of Learning and Teaching Resources

Learning and Teaching Resource Pack on Information Literacy for Primary Schools

- Provide ten lesson plans, relevant teaching resources and reference materials.

"Smart e-Master" Information Kit on e-Learning

- Provide ten sets of animations and comics, teaching exemplars and online quizzes for students from upper primary to junior secondary level.
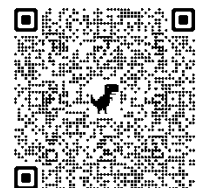
Smart Tips for Spotting Fake News

- Provide tips for students to evaluate information.

- Provide tips for parents to know how to help their children use electronic screen products healthily.

e-Learning Parents' Tips

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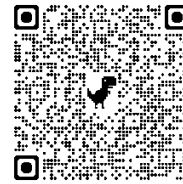
"A Healthy Internet Starts with You" Video Series (Parents)

- Provide short videos for parents on effective methods to handle IL-related issues of their children.

"Unite for a Better Internet" Information Kit on e-Learning

- Provide parents with rich information on physical health and mental health issues that their children may encounter when engaging in e-learning.

Video clips for Information Literacy Education and Cyber security

- Provide eight short videos on issues related to information literacy and cyber security in form of stories for students.

Eye Care Course

- Provide information about eye care related to the use of digital screen devices.

The 2023/24 School Year

Teacher Professional Development Programmes (PDPs) Provided by the ITE Section

【Please refer to the Training Calendar System (TCS) for details.】

Professional Development Programmes on Information Literacy Education for Teachers

Information Literacy Education for Primary Schools (Basic Level)

Supporting Parents on e-Learning

Information Literacy Education in Primary Schools — General Studies (Advanced Level)

Planning, Implementation and Evaluation of School-based IL Curriculum in Whole-School Approach (Advanced Level)

Developing Students' Ethical and Positive Use of Emerging and Advanced Information Technologies (Advanced Level)

Information Evaluation and Cyberbullying

Experience Sharing Session of Information Literacy Focus Group from IT in Education Centre of Excellence (CoE) Scheme

Intellectual Property and the Related Ethical Issues in Emerging and Advanced IT

Briefing Session on "Healthy Use of the Internet Campaign" One-stop Telephone / Online Support and Counselling Services cum Thematic Seminar

Primary School

Secondary School

Information Literacy Education for Secondary Schools (Basic Level)

Supporting Parents on e-Learning

Information Literacy Education in Secondary Schools — Citizenship and Social Development (Advanced Level)

Planning, Implementation and Evaluation of School-based IL Curriculum in Whole-School Approach (Advanced Level)

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