Education Bureau Circular Memorandum No. 180/2026

From: Secretary for Education	To: Heads of Government, Aided (including Special Schools), Caput and Direct Subsidy Scheme (DSS) Schools
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"AI in Education Forum" and
"PD Thursday" Teacher Continuing Professional Development Course Series

Summary

This circular memorandum serves to (i) invite schools to participate in the two "AI in Education Forum" co-organised by Hong Kong Education City (EdCity) and the Education Bureau (EDB) in collaboration with The Education University of Hong Kong (EdUHK) and The Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK) respectively, and (ii) provide information on the "PD Thursday" Teacher Continuing Professional Development Course Series.

Background

2. The EDB recently promulgated the Blueprint for Digital Education Development in Primary and Secondary Schools (the Blueprint), setting out a clear development direction and strategies for the school sector to promote digital education. The Blueprint emphasises enhancing students' digital literacy and fostering teacher professionalism, and proposes the integration of learning elements related to digital education into primary and secondary school curricula. To support schools in promoting the development of digital education, the EDB and EdCity have adopted various approaches to enhance teachers' understanding and application of artificial intelligence (AI), including:

(i) co-organising "AI in Education Forum" in collaboration with various tertiary institutions, aiming to connect the research outcomes of tertiary institutions in technological innovation with the teaching practices of primary and secondary schools, as well as exploring how to effectively leverage AI to enhance learning and teaching effectiveness; and

(ii) launching the "PD Thursday" Teacher Continuing Professional Development Course Series with regular online courses on various AI learning domains on Thursdays, enabling teachers to flexibly participate in professional development according to their needs.

Details

<u>AI in Education Forum</u>

3. The "AI in Education Forum" offers rich and diverse content. The forums bring together

the higher education sector, the technology industry, and the primary and secondary school sector. Centring on the application of AI across various educational dimensions, the forums explore in-depth how AI can assist schools and teachers in more comprehensively catering to students' diverse learning needs through practice sharing and technology demonstrations. Details of the forums are as follows:

(i) Forum I: Innovation for Every Learner

Date:	26 – 27 November 2026 (Thursday and Friday)
Venue:	EdUHK West Kowloon Study Centre
Co-organisers:	EdCity, EDB and EdUHK
Key Themes:	Robotics, AI and supporting students with special educational needs

(ii) Forum II: AI for Good in Schools

Date:	7 – 8 January 2027 (Thursday and Friday)
Venue:	Yasumoto International Academic Park, CUHK
Co-organisers:	EdCity, EDB and CUHK
Key Themes:	Student well-being, neurodiversity and sports science

Please refer to the **Annex** for the event overview of "Forum I: Innovation for Every Learner". As for "Forum II: AI for Good in Schools", the event overview will be announced in due course on the EdCity "AI Education Forum" webpage (https://web.edcity.hk/en/aied/home/).

4. Main contents of each Forum include:

- **Keynote Speeches and Panel Discussions**
  Education and industry experts will deliver keynote speeches on global development trends in AI applications, provide in-depth sharing on the application of AI in the local education sector, and discuss how to leverage AI to promote personalised learning.

- **Educational Technology (EdTech) Showcase**
  The showcase will feature an array of Hong Kong and overseas innovative technology solutions, including project deliverables under the Quality Education Fund e-Learning Ancillary Facilities Programme (eLAFP), covering a wide range of areas such as learning and teaching, student support, and school management. Participants can attend live demonstrations, experience the practical application of the latest EdTech in lessons, and engage directly with development teams, gaining inspiration for schools to implement the Blueprint and plan their digital education development.

- **Interactive Workshops**
  A variety of interactive workshops on different topics will provide participants with hands-on opportunities to use different AI tools, exploring the practical application and implementation of these tools and related pedagogical strategies.

5. Schools are cordially invited to arrange for teachers to participate in the various activities under the "AI in Education Forum". Teachers attending the event can be granted Continuing Professional Development (CPD) hours. For registration, latest event details and arrangements for claiming CPD hours, please visit the following website:

https://web.edcity.hk/en/aied/home/

"PD Thursday" Teacher Continuing Professional Development Course Series

6. To support schools in planning school-based teacher professional development, the EDB and EdCity continue to provide a diverse range of online courses, including the core courses of the "Professional Training on Artificial Intelligence Literacy for Teachers" (please refer to Annex 3 of EDB Circular Memorandum No. 156/2026 for details), as well as the new extended courses, "PD Thursday" Teacher Continuing Professional Development Course Series.

7. "PD Thursday", conducted regularly on Thursday, will offer at least 40 teacher training activities in the 2026/27 school year. These activities cover domains such as AI Literacy Foundation, Applications in Classroom, Using AI in a Reasonable and Responsible Manner, School-based Policy Planning, Learning and Teaching, and Culture Building. The Series aims to support teachers in systematically enhancing their capability to apply AI. Schools are encouraged to actively arrange for teachers to participate in the above courses. For details, please visit the "EdAcademy" website of EdCity:

https://teacher.edcity.hk/en/edacademy/home/

Enquiries

8. For enquiries, please contact EdCity by email at info@edcity.hk.

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Annex

Overview of "AI in Education Forum: Innovation for Every Learner"

Date, Time and Venue	Details of Activities
26 November 2026 (Thursday) 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. EdUHK West Kowloon Study Centre (Museum Drive) *Pre-registration is required for admission*	**Opening Ceremony, Keynote Speeches and Panel Discussions** • **Opening Speech** Representative of the EDB • **Welcoming Speech** Mr Armstrong LEE Hon Cheung, MH Chairman of Board of Directors, EdCity • **Speech of Thanks** Representative of EdUHK • **Keynote Speeches** 1) Topic related to AI and Inclusive Education Speaker: Dr Natalia AMELINA Chief of Unit, Unit of Teacher Professional Development and Networking Senior National Project Officer in Education, UNESCO Institute for Information Technologies in Education 2) Is Inclusive Education a Must for All Kids in the Age of AI? Speaker: Prof Philip LI Hui Assistant Vice President (Regional Outreach), EdUHK 3) Humanoid Robot and the Future of Work Speaker: Representative of Unitree Robotics • **Panel Discussions** 1) How does AI Support the Students with SEN? Moderator: Prof Kenneth SIN Kuen Fung, MH Executive Director, Institute of Special Needs and Inclusive Education, EdUHK

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	Guests: ➢ Dr Patrick SZE Ka Kei Principal, Hong Kong Red Swastika Society Tai Po Secondary School ➢ Dr George LEUNG Wing Hung Principal, TWGHs Kwan Fong Kai Chi School ➢ Dr SHEK Wai Keung Principal, Hong Chi Shiu Pong Morninghope School 2) <u>Future of Education through the Lens of Women Technopreneurs</u> Moderator: Dr LU Jiafang Associate Professor, Department of Education Policy and Leadership, EdUHK Guests: ➢ Ms Joanne YAU Bo Ki Principal, Lok Wah Catholic Primary School ➢ Ms Rita PANG Yat Sum Founder and Director, See Change Education
26 November 2026 (Thursday) 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. EdUHK West Kowloon Study Centre (Museum Drive) 27 November 2026 (Friday) 1:30 p.m. – 5:15 p.m. EdUHK West Kowloon Study Centre (Museum Drive and Austin Road sites) *Pre-registration is required for admission and specific activities*	**<u>Interactive Workshops</u>** Covering a wide range of topics, more than 20 workshops offer hands-on exploration of AI tools and related pedagogical strategies.

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