

**EDUCATION BUREAU
CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM NO. 187/2025**

From : Secretary for Education

To : Heads of Secondary and Primary Schools, Special Schools and Kindergartens

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**Title Scheme for the “Love Our Home, Treasure Our Country”
Joint School National Education Activities (2025/26)**

Purpose

This circular memorandum encourages schools to actively participate in the Title Scheme for the “Love Our Home, Treasure Our Country” joint school national education activities in the 2025/26 school year, to mobilise the school sector in fostering patriotic education.

Background

2. The Education Bureau (EDB) took the lead in launching the “Love Our Home, Treasure Our Country” series of joint school national education activities in government schools in the 2022/23 school year, by adopting a whole-school and joint-school collaborative approach and in accordance with the “National Education – Event Planning Calendar” issued by the EDB for promoting national education. Since its implementation, the “Love Our Home, Treasure Our Country” series of activities has developed into signature joint school national education activities in the school sector, involving the participation and support of school sponsoring bodies, school councils and stakeholders, fostering the collaboration among the school sector and different stakeholders to leverage synergies.

3. To tie in with the “Patriotic Education Law of the People’s Republic of China” effective since 1 January 2024, the Chief Executive announced in the 2025 Policy Address that the “Love Our Home, Treasure Our Country” series of activities would be regularised and popularised starting from the 2025/26 school year, striving to foster patriotic education

in schools through collaboration across school sponsoring bodies and among schools, so as to further enhance students' national identity and cultural confidence.

Details

4. In the 2025/26 school year, the EDB will continue to lead government schools and collaborate with more school sponsoring bodies and school councils to jointly implement a number of large-scale joint school national education activities. Besides, to further strengthen collaboration in the school sector, the EDB invites schools to organise quality joint school national education activities and apply to have them included as titled activities of the "Love Our Home, Treasure Our Country" series in the 2025/26 school year. Schools with successful applications can officially name the activities as '**2025/26 School Year "Love Our Home, Treasure Our Country" Titled Activity**', and use the "Love Our Home, Treasure Our Country" logo (see the image below) when organising relevant activities. Information on the activities will be uploaded to the relevant webpage of the EDB (<https://www.edb.gov.hk/en/lohtoc>)¹ for public reference.



Eligibility

5. All secondary and primary schools as well as kindergartens are eligible to apply for organising one titled activity of the "Love Our Home, Treasure Our Country" series in the 2025/26 school year. The activity planned to be organised should meet the following criteria:

- (i) the activity should be organised by adopting a joint-school collaborative approach (including sister schools);
- (ii) the activity should be open to participation by other schools²; and
- (iii) the national education activity should fit one or more of the following theme(s):
 - Chinese culture (e.g. Chinese costumes, Chinese cuisine, martial arts, Chinese dance, calligraphy)
 - Chinese intangible cultural heritage

¹ Relevant webpage will be available soon.

² Including secondary schools, primary schools, and/or kindergartens.

- Native place
- Chinese history
- Celebration of the establishment of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (i.e. July 1)
- National Security Education Day (i.e. April 15)
- Major fields of national security

Application

6. Schools interested in applying for organising titled activities of the “Love Our Home, Treasure Our Country” series in the 2025/26 school year should complete the application form at Annex, and return it to the School Governance and Efficiency 5 Section of the EDB **by 14 November 2025 (Friday)**. The EDB will notify schools of the application results via email by end December 2025.

7. To support schools in organising quality national education activities, the Quality Education Fund (QEF) has launched the Enhanced “My Pledge to Act” (EMPA) Funding Programme and the EMPA Funding Programme (Phase 2) (EMPA Phase 2). Publicly-funded schools which have not submitted any application may submit to the QEF one application with funding sought not exceeding \$300,000 or an EMPA Phase 2 application; kindergartens joining the kindergarten education scheme may submit to the QEF one application with funding sought not exceeding \$150,000 or an EMPA Phase 2 application. For details, please refer to the EDB Circular Memorandum No. 111/2025 “Quality Education Fund Funding Programmes”.



8. Besides, schools may exercise relevant funding flexibly in accordance with the ambit of various grants, including the Life-wide Learning and Sister School Grant, Operating Expenses Block Grant/ Expanded Operating Expenses Block Grant (applicable to aided schools), Fee Subsidy (applicable to caput schools) and Direct Subsidy Scheme (DSS) subsidy (applicable to DSS schools), to organise national education activities.

9. Please note that if schools engage external individuals or organisations in conducting school activities, prudent choices should be made to ensure that the activities organised in the name of the school have fulfilled the EDB’s guidelines, and the messages conveyed to students by the individuals/ organisations concerned are consistent with the learning goals and curriculum objectives of school education; and further ensure that the activities do not involve contents endangering national security, promoting political propaganda or improper values, as well as involving any sensitive and controversial issues.

Enquiries

10. For enquiries regarding application for the Title Scheme for the “Love Our Home, Treasure Our Country” series of activities in the 2025/26 school year, please contact the School Governance and Efficiency 5 Section of the EDB at 3509 7486; for enquiries regarding the EMPA Funding Programme and EMPA Funding Programme (Phase 2), please contact the Quality Education Fund Secretariat at 2921 8833.

Ms M S WONG
for Secretary for Education

c.c. Heads of Sections – for information

Annex

Application for the Title Scheme for the “Love Our Home, Treasure Our Country” Series of Activities in the 2025/26 School Year

(Please email the completed application form to
the School Governance and Efficiency 5 Section of the EDB
by 14 November 2025 (Friday))

To: School Governance and Efficiency 5 Section, EDB (email: sge5@edb.gov.hk)

Our school would apply for organising a titled activity of the “Love Our Home, Treasure Our Country” series in the 2025/26 school year. Relevant joint school national education activity is planned as follows:

Information on activity

Organising school(s) ¹ :	(1) (2) (3)		
Co-organising school(s) (if applicable) ¹ :	(1) (2) (3)		
Contact person of activity:	Name:	Email:	
	Mobile phone number:		
Objective(s) of activity: (No more than 100 words)			
Theme of activity: (may ‘✓’ more than one item)	<input type="checkbox"/> Chinese culture Please specify the item(s): _____ _____		<input type="checkbox"/> National Security Education Day <input type="checkbox"/> Major fields of national security <input type="checkbox"/> Others : _____

¹ The titled activity of the “Love Our Home, Treasure Our Country” series should be organised by adopting a joint-school collaborative approach. In other words, if there is only one organising school, the school should co-organise the activity concerned with other school(s).

	<input type="checkbox"/> Native place <input type="checkbox"/> Chinese history <input type="checkbox"/> Celebration of the establishment of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region	<hr/> <hr/>
Eligibility of participants: (e.g. All Secondary 1 to 4 students in Hong Kong/ the district concerned)	This activity is <u>open</u> to participation/ observation* by other schools. The eligibility of participants is as follows: <hr/>	
Estimated number of participants (including students, parents, teachers, sister schools and the public):		
Format/ content of activity: (No more than 200 words)		
Date of activity (Proposed): (If preliminary round, final round and award presentation ceremony are involved, please list the date of each activity separately)	Date of activity to be held (tentative) : _____ Date of preliminary round (if applicable) : _____ Date of final round (if applicable) : _____ Date of award presentation ceremony (if applicable) : _____	

Please put a '✓' in the following boxes as confirmation:

- The school will arrange staff members to monitor the above activity.
- If the school engages external individuals or organisations in conducting school activities, prudent choices will be made to ensure that the activities organised in the name of the school fulfill the EDB's guidelines, and the messages conveyed to students by the individuals/ organisations concerned are consistent with the learning goals and curriculum objectives of school education; and further ensure that the activities do not involve contents endangering national security, promoting political propaganda or improper values, as well as involving any sensitive and controversial issues.

Signature of School Head : _____

Name of School Head : _____

Name of School : _____

School Registration Number : _____

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