Protecting our Students and Community

In June 2021, Ministry of Education (MOE) vaccination centres were set up at all three ITE Colleges for medically eligible students to receive their COVID-19 vaccination.

These vaccination centres would allow ITE and other school students to take their vaccination on campus.

Minister for Education, Mr Chan Chun Sing, visited the vaccination centre at ITE College Central to observe its set-up on 4 June 2021.

Similarly, Second Minister for Education, Dr Maliki Osman, visited the vaccination centre at ITE College East on 9 June 2021 and the vaccination centre at ITE College West on 14 June 2021 to observe their operations.

Vaccination will be important for protecting not just our students, but also their families and the community.

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[Dr Maliki Osman's Visit to Vaccination Centre at ITE College East >>](#)
[Dr Maliki Osman's Visit to Vaccination Centre at ITE College West >>](#)

Honouring All-Round Excellence

ITE celebrated the outstanding achievements of 430 students with the Student Achievers' Awards 2021. They were recognised for their holistic excellence and technological innovations.

Of these students, 48 received the Lee Kuan Yew (LKY) Awards – namely, the LKY Model Student/Trainee Award, the LKY CCA Award, and the LKY Technology Award.

Cody Tan Shi Wei (pictured right) is one of the recipients of the LKY Model Student Award and LKY Technology Award.

Motivated to improve himself, Cody participated in numerous competitions during his time at ITE. These included WorldSkills Singapore 2020, where he represented ITE. He established himself as a caring leader, who often took time to mentor his classmates. Cody also partnered a classmate to develop a device for improving washroom cleanliness, which clinched the LKY Technology Award.

We are proud of our students' achievements and wish them all the best!

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A Recipe of Success

Spurred by their passion for design, a team of three ITE students learned to design a Hari Raya cookbook from scratch.

An initiative by the Malay Activity Executive Committees of the Ang Mo Kio, Kebun Baru and Yio Chu Kang constituencies, the cookbook features recipes for dishes such as Lontong, Tahu Telur and Ondeh Ondeh which were contributed by residents.

Kaitlyn Ong, Fitri Hailysya and Ang Xin Ling spent three days on campus learning the Adobe InDesign software from their lecturers. The first-year visual communication students had no prior experience with the software, which is taught in the second year of their course. Outside of school, they also devoted time to work on their designs at home.

The cookbook was launched virtually by Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong at the constituencies' Hari Raya event on 11 June 2021.

Well done to the team!

[ITE Students who Designed Hari Raya Cookbook >>](#)
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Nurturing Entrepreneurial Talents

For showing strong innovation in their business ideas, three teams of ITE students emerged winners of #startable 2021.

They had developed ideas of portable soap flakes, artificial intelligence (AI) artwork that enables the transfer of an artistic image style to any content image, and a card game based on Singapore's culture and landmarks.

Held annually by Nanyang Technological University and ITE, #startable is an entrepreneurship programme for ITE students which is supported by the Chua Thian Poh Entrepreneurship Education Fund. It comprises a bootcamp that trains students in entrepreneurial skills and knowledge.

The top six teams of #startable 2021 presented their ideas at the Finals on 27 May 2021, of which three were selected as the winners.

Congratulations to the winning teams!

[Projects of #startable 2021 Finalists >>](#)

Skilling the Built Environment Sector

High-tech built environment labs will be set up at each of ITE's three Colleges, as part of ITE's partnership with urban and infrastructure consulting firm Surbana Jurong.

Called the ITE-Surbana Jurong Living Labs (L³), they will be equipped with the latest technologies to facilitate real-world learning for students. Examples include Internet of Things (IoT) devices for monitoring lift performances and smart security surveillance sensors.

Signed on 10 May 2021, the partnership between ITE and Surbana Jurong aims to nurture skilled manpower to support the transformation of the built environment industry.

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Showcasing their range of talents, a team of students from ITE College West filmed and produced a music video with an anti-smoking message for youths.

Called "Hear My Voice", the music video is part of a campaign by the Singapore Cancer Society to discourage youths from smoking. It featured an ex-smoker who shared his journey in battling cancer. One of the students in the team – Narmada Kumaran (pictured left) – starred as the lead vocalist.

The music video was launched on 31 May 2021, in celebration of World No Tobacco Day.

Great job!

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News Story on Anti-Smoking Campaign Music Video by ITE Students >>

Putting their skills to the test, over 1,500 students from 63 secondary schools participated in the IgnITE Skills Challenge 2021.

Organised by ITE, the IgnITE Skills Challenge is the only national skills competition for Normal Stream secondary school students and serves to ignite their interest in skills learning.

This year's virtual competition featured 15 skills challenges, which included creating a chatbot, designing a glider, and programming a drone to "dance".

The awards presentation ceremony for the competition was held virtually on 20 May 2021. For winning the most challenges, Crest Secondary School emerged as the overall champion.

Video Highlights of IgnITE Skills Challenge 2021 >>