



Lee Kuan Yew Model Student Award

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Leading with Heart

After facing challenges in his N-levels, Daryl could have easily given up. Instead, he chose to forge a different educational experience at ITE. Motivated to create a better learning environment, he took the initiative to organise study groups and helped others improve their grades. Daryl not only excelled in his studies but also became a pillar of support for his classmates. His passion for practical learning led him to participate in competitions such as WorldSkills ASEAN 2023 and the Tan Kah Kee Young Inventors Challenge 2024.

Alongside his studies, Daryl served as the President of the ITE Civil Defence Lionhearter Club. He enjoys spending time with residents, particularly the elderly, teaching them how to perform CPR and use an automated external defibrillator (AED). Perhaps this is because they remind him of his grandparents, whom he considers his best friends. His motto, "I create the environment that I want to be in," demonstrates the positive impact he aims to have on those around him.

From the Heart

"During the WorldSkills ASEAN 2023 competition, I made a mistake that deeply affected me and made me want to give up. However, with the encouragement of my course manager and my class advisor, I found the strength to persevere and successfully complete the competition."

Life after ITE

Daryl gained early admission to study Diploma in Facility Management at Singapore Polytechnic. He aspires to build a career in project management.

Top Achievements

- Daryl led various public events and community involvement projects as President of the ITE Civil Defence Lionhearter Club and received a Letter of Commendation from the Singapore Civil Defence Force for outstanding contributions during his presidential term.
- He represented Singapore in the WorldSkills ASEAN 2023, competing for honours in the Refrigerant and Air-Conditioning skill area.
- He also led teams to participate in other competitions, such as the Sustainable Cities Challenge 2024, winning second place with a proposal for new sustainable ideas for the Hillview Community Centre, and the HSBC NYAA ITE-SMEs Sustainability Initiative, collaborating with Daikin to design and fabricate a SMART Refrigerant Detector Prototype.
- For outstanding leadership and achievements in CCAs and competitions, Daryl was awarded the prestigious ITE College West 21st Century Star Award 2024.
- Additionally, his excellent performance during his internship earned him commendation from both Raffles Strata Management Pte Ltd and its client.
- He was invited back to his alma mater to give a talk about ITE and share his experiences with his juniors.