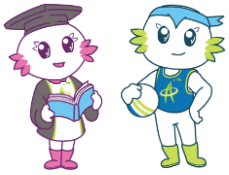
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[Gifted Programme]
Ignite Life Talk Series

Ignite Life Talk Series – Choices and Resilience

Mr. Cheng Ming Fai Dennis
Registered Social Worker
Regional Service Administrator (North Kowloon)
The Society for the Aid and Rehabilitation of Drug Abusers





Application Deadline
4 Dec 2026
12:00 noon

Intended Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of the gifted programme, gifted students should be able to:

1. Identify the physiological, psychological, and social risks associated with drug abuse.
2. Evaluate their personal values, priorities, and potential peer influences, and establish a set of personal decision-making principles to guide responsible choices.
3. Demonstrate a resilient mindset and effective coping strategies to respond positively to personal challenges, setbacks, and adversity.

Gifted Programme Introduction

Ignite Life Talk Series

As one of the core programmes in the Leadership Training Programme Series 2026/27, the Ignite Life Talk Series: Choices and Resilience (F1LEA040T) explores important themes including life choices, resilience, and responsible leadership.

The talk features Mr Dennis Cheng Ming Fai, a Registered Social Worker and the 2012 Hong Kong Spirit Ambassador, together with two individuals on their recovery journey. Through their personal stories, students will be encouraged to examine the impact of their choices, align their decisions with their core values, and cultivate the perseverance and resilience needed to overcome adversity.

During his youth, Mr Cheng struggled with drug addiction for ten years and was incarcerated on multiple occasions. With the support of social workers from the Society for the Aid and Rehabilitation of Drug Abusers (SARDA), he was able to rebuild his life. After successfully completing rehabilitation at the Shek Kwu Chau Treatment and Rehabilitation Centre, he returned to education and excelled academically, receiving the "Most Outstanding Student" Scholarship on five occasions at The Hong Kong Polytechnic University. He subsequently qualified as a Registered Social Worker. Today, Mr Cheng, together with other recovered individuals, actively shares his experiences in schools and communities, inspiring young people to make positive and responsible life choices.

Through these authentic life stories and valuable insights, students will reflect on the core qualities of effective leadership, broaden their perspectives on personal growth, and learn to view challenges as opportunities for growth and transformation. The talk will also encourage students to consider key elements of leadership, including making wise decisions, building resilience, pursuing personal growth, and developing a sense of mission in serving society.

Schedule

Session	Date	Time	Venue
1	12 Dec 2026 (Sat)	9:30 a.m.– 11:30 a.m.	Room 105, HKAGE

Suitable for

- P4 - S6 HKAGE student members in the 2026/27 school year. (Priority will be given to S3 to S5 members admitted through the Principal's Nomination Scheme 2025/26)
- Class size: 150

*First-come, first-served.

Medium of Instruction

Cantonese

Certificate

E-Certificate will be awarded to participants who have attended the talk.

Remark

Starting from the 2023/24 school year, after the first review period, ALL student members must complete the following requirements in each school year in order to maintain their membership:

- Attend One Talk; AND
- Participate in One programme or activity of any kind

This talk is one of the items in the five domains of the Holistic Talk Series. The objective is to facilitate the all-round development of student' gifted potential.

Emerging Technology Talk Series by YASHK

Scientists introduce eye-opening emerging technology to enhance students' motivation to learn.

National Security Talk Series

Understanding the meaning of National Security, enhances students' sense of national identity.

Ignite Life Talk Series

Celebrities share their life-changing moments to enhance students' aspirations for life.

Trendy Academic Talk Series

Introduce trendy topics to widen the students' horizons.

Future Insight Talk Series

Professionals share insights about the latest trends in their industry to help students plan their future.



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2026/27 Leadership Training Programme

Our leadership framework nurtures young leaders with global perspectives by strengthening their values and mindset, building their leadership knowledge, and developing the practical skills they need to lead confidently in diverse contexts.

Core Programmes & Focus Areas

Pillar I
Values & Mindset
(Who I Am)

- Ethical judgment in a complex world
- Open to diverse perspectives
- Respect for cultural differences
- Growth mindset and resilience

Pillar II
Knowledge & Awareness
(What I Understand)

- Leadership theories across cultures
- Awareness of global trends and challenges
- Insight into diverse leadership practices
- Strategic thinking and responsible tech use

Pillar III
Applied Skills
(What I Can Do)

- Communicate effectively across cultures
- Work collaboratively in diverse teams
- Solve problems and manage projects
- Make decisions under uncertainty

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Inspiring Talk Series	International & National Exposure Series	Empowerment Courses / Workshops	Community Service / Social Service Learning	Soft Skill Day Camp
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Certificate Requirements:

- Gold Award: Complete 5 core programmes* + 1 elective programme
- Silver Award: Complete 4 core programmes* + 1 elective programme
- Bronze Award: Complete 3 core programmes* + 1 elective programme

1. All programmes (except *"The Academy Awards for the Gifted 2026"*) must be completed within **1 September 2026 to 30 April 2027**.
2. Elective Programmes: All other HKAGE programmes/activities.

Programme information and certificate requirements are subject to change. Please refer to the HKAGE website for the latest details.

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