# Quality Education Fund Project Proposal

Project Title:	Project Number:
Life Planning in the 21st Century: an Integrative English Language Curriculum	2019/1136 (Revised)

Name of School: CCC Kung Lee College

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(a) Sector: Kindergarten Primar	√ √ Secondary ☐ Special School	(Please put a tick in the appropriate box(es).)
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(b) Beneficiaries: (1) Students: 41 S5; (2) Teachers: 3

**Project Period:** <u>02/2022</u> to <u>09/2022</u>

#### 1. Project Needs

## 1.1 Project aims

This project aims to:

- > enhance learning motivation and English language competence through engaging and meaningful learning activities
- > promote life planning by offering a platform for students to immerse in authentic life-wide English learning experiences and interact with experts from different industries

#### 1.2 Innovative elements

We plan to develop a <u>school-based English language curriculum</u> which integrates <u>life planning</u>, <u>experiential learning and English language learning activities</u>. To foster a meaningful learning experience which leads to life planning, learning activities are enhanced with a combination of experiential learning, career-related training and life-wide learning experiences. Student will have the opportunity to engage in language learning related to the culture of different industries, interact with our industry partners and engage in experiential learning activities such as food recipe design and preparation. The project will involve cross-disciplinary collaboration with different elective subjects and functional committees, such as the career and guidance committee.

#### 1.3 Alignment with school mission

The ever-changing global society and rapid development of technology pose great challenges to educators--How do we prepare students for the future? As more and more students face difficulties in dealing with the transition from education to work (HKSAR, 2012), there is a strong need for education to evolve so as to help students thrive in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Apart from offering knowledge and language skills, schools need to create an environment where students are able to explore their unique talents and develop 21<sup>st</sup> century skills such as creativity, communication and collaboration. The College's mission, "College Ready, Life Ready", recognizes the need to help students to identify their personal strengths, develop generic skills and explore their career aspirations in life. Due to the unique characteristics of students in our school, students in general often struggle to find purpose in their lives and in learning, which reflects the need to enhance their learning motivation through diverse measures.

Language learning can serve the mission to bridge students' learning to the world. As proposed in the Major Renewed Emphases (MRE) of the English Language Education curriculum development, it is recommended that schools **promote experiential learning through life-wide learning experiences and integrative use of language**, thus fostering the innovation and entrepreneurial spirit as required in the 21st century (CDC, 2017). In the past few years, we have been striving to develop our school-based curriculum, so as to help students gain exposure to authentic and diverse learning experiences, and assist them in making informed career and academic decisions. In alignment with the project's aims, we believe that with suitable guidance and the exposure to diverse learning experiences, students will discover their inherited talents and pursue a meaningful life.

## 2 **Project Feasibility**

## 2.1 Rationale of the project

With reference to the Guide on Life Planning Education and Career Guidance (Career Guidance Section, 2014), strengthening the connection between Life Planning Education and the school curriculum is of paramount importance, so as to help students enhance self-understanding and make informed decisions regarding future study and career options. Instead of providing basic career information, schools have been encouraged to revamp their current guidance practices and develop a more comprehensive approach to address students' developmental needs at different life stages. Apart from helping students discover their career/academic aspirations and develop positive attitudes, schools should seek to integrate students' career aspirations into life-long learning.

This project aims to <u>bridge the gap between academic studies and life planning through the development of a school-based English language curriculum.</u>

Objective 1: Developing a school-based life planning English language curriculum

Based on our experience, we found that students in our school often

In developing our school-based curriculum, we employed various strategies to cater for diverse learning needs and incorporate elements of career-related education and authentic learning activities so as to create a meaningful learning experience. We believe that with stronger ties between academic studies and the real world, students will be more motivated to learn. Therefore, we plan to <a href="mailto:draw">draw</a>
<a href="mailto:connection-between-language learning">connection-between language learning</a>, students' interests, such as graphic design and cooking, as well as <a href="mailto:life">life</a>
<a href="mailto:planning">planning</a> through the new curriculum. Opportunities will be given for students to design their own products and present them using English in an open platform. It is hoped that through career exploration, students will identify their personal strengths and career aspirations, which will in turn enhance their learning motivation.

### Objective 2: Fostering 21st century skills through experiential learning

To face a globally competitive work environment, schools must align the learning environment with the knowledge and skills required in the world today. A set of 21<sup>st</sup> century skills have been outlined to help students succeed in life and work (Johnson, 2009). Four components of the framework are *Core subjects and 21st century themes, Learning and innovation skills, Information, media, and technology skills, and Life and career skills*. This project seeks to help students **develop learning and innovation skills**, such as creativity and problem solving, and **life and career skills**, such as initiative and collaboration through experiential learning activities. Students will have the opportunities to **interact with our partners from different industries and learn directly from their experience** through activities such as cooking workshops, interviews and product presentation. In this way, language learning and life planning are intertwined into a cohesive and holistic learning experience.

## 2.2 Readiness for project implementation

#### Professional network and facilities

The College offers a dual-route curriculum, including the HKDSE curriculum and school-based <u>Vocational</u> <u>Education Training Programme</u> which has been accredited by the HKCAAVQ. Experience in running the diploma programme allows us to develop <u>close connection with our industry partners</u>, who offer intensive internship programme for our students every year. In addition, the school is equipped with a variety of facilities, such as practical kitchen, training restaurant, and design & applied technology room, which would serve as valuable resources in organizing life-wide learning activities, such as recipe design and food preparation.

#### Experience in curriculum development

In the last few years, the English department has been developing its school-based English language curriculum with support from the Language Learning Support Section. Team members, who embrace a culture of professional exchange, are equipped with <u>experience in collaborative curriculum development and lesson planning</u>.

## 2.3 Framework for the School-Based Life Planning English Language Curriculum



This section presents the framework for our school-based life planning English language curriculum developed in light of the Education Bureau's (EDB) model for life planning education. According to the Career Guidance Section (2014), life planning education (LPE) at the schooling stage serves a pro-active and developmental role in "fostering students' self-understanding, personal planning, goal setting, reflective habits of mind and articulation to progression pathways," through equipping students with "the knowledge, skills and attitude to make wise choices in accordance with their interests, abilities and orientations." In agreement with this delineation of life planning education at the schooling phase, we deem it pivotal to utilise the school's competitive edges and resources in catering for our students' diverse learning and developmental needs.

LPE Elements	Implementation Strategies	Corresponding Activities
1 Self-understanding	In response to the expected learning goals of the first element, the team incorporates in the curriculum various	Some Creating and presenting the
and Development	multimodal activities which assist students in (1) better grasping personal achievements, qualities, abilities	recipes of local food for people
so to understand	and career aspirations; and (2) exploring the existence of stereotypes about certain careers. Our school-based	Discussing texts the qualities
one-self and the	English curriculum provides students with opportunities to <u>reflect on their personal qualities and career</u>	of being a KOL
impact of	aspirations. Strategies adopted from secondary four to six include acquiring vocabulary of personal	Attending sharing sessions
external	qualities, reading visual and written texts of different individuals' life stories and of different careers,	delivered by different guests
influences	accompanied with reflective questions. The select texts for the curriculum also present typical	on personalities and work
	misconceptions or behind-the-scene stories about the career in question. Through acquiring respective	Sometimes with Writing a short reflection upon
	language skills, they are developing a habit of reflecting upon themselves in terms of personal growth and	potential paths to pursue as a
	career choice. Besides, these strategies facilitate students' process of exploring the existence of stereotypes	career
	about certain careers.	
2 Career Exploration	For the second element of life planning education, our English curriculum collaborates with our school-based	Attending local food cooking
to investigate	career guidance programme (CGP) instructors as well as the school's church and business network in order	workshops
options	to offer experiential learning activities for our students. Students will have <b>hands-on opportunities to create</b>	Attending food recipe design
(opportunities	<b>food, promotional videos, and graphic designs</b> , with the guidance of experts in respective fields. Through	workshops
and constraints)	utilising the school's network to provide students with favourable experiences, the English language	Promoting the local food in
of learning and	curriculum implements the second LPE element's goals which are (1) to develop positive concepts, attitudes	KOL-style via social media
work	and values about career and work; (2) to develop the ability to explore things and seek guidance around; and	Solution Designing packaging for the
	(3) relate and integrate learning outcomes from career related experiences or work-based learning into	food made for the Open Day
	exploration of study, training and work options.	Attending sharing sessions

given	by g	guests	from	various
fields	on w	vork ex	perie	nce

# 3 Career Planning and Management

to make decisions, formulate and act out plans to manage changes and transition in learning and work

Our curriculum answers the third element of life planning education through carrying out while- and post- activity feedbacks and reflections so as to assist students in (1) establishing learning or career goals/aspiration; (2) setting tentative occupational preference and related study/training targets; (3) understanding, selecting and applying decision making techniques; and (4) developing and mastering generic and employability skills that prepare them for transition to work. Through the aforementioned experiential learning activities, students will **receive feedbacks and comments on their products from experts of different industries**. Moreover, they are **developing language skills, social and communication skills, technical skills** (e.g. cooking, promotion, design, etc.) through these learning processes. With the help of teachers and experts, these experiences and reflections also equip them with better knowledge of deciding for themselves in terms of personal growth and career choices. Students will thus proceed to the life planning component in secondary six with informed confidence.

- Attending local food cooking workshops
- Asking the guests questions about career path during the sharing sessions
- Interviewing designers for their journey of being a graphic designer & feedback on their packaging design
- Writing recounts of the Open Day which will be published in the school magazine

2.4 Implementation timeline

Implementation period	Project Modules
	-collect feedback on the pilot scheme conducted in the previous academic year
02/2022	-evaluate existing learning materials adopted for the pilot classes
	-recruit Teaching Assistant
02/2022 - 03/2022	-recruit Pastry Instructor
02/2022 — 03/2022	-revise learning materials for Modules 1, 2 and 3
	-collect students' interest in potential guest speaker for Module 4
	-implement Modules 1, 2 and 3
02/2022 - 04/2022	-design learning materials for Module 4
	-evaluate activities after the implementation of the respective activity
	-liaise with the potential guest speaker
	-implement Module 4
04/2022	-design learning materials for Module 5
	-evaluate Module 4 after the implementation
	-prepare students for Module 5
05/2022-06/2022	-implement Module 5
03/2022-00/2022	-evaluate Module 5 after the implementation
	-collect data and feedbacks on the project
08/2022 - 09/2022	-evaluate the overall project for future enhancement

<sup>\*</sup>As our students are from diverse backgrounds which might not share the same LPE experience in their previous schools, we hope to bridge their experiential and knowledge gaps by addressing both senior secondary LPE learning objectives and some of the junior secondary ones.

## 2.5 Principal's and teachers' involvement and their roles

## Role of the Principal:

- > To oversee the planning, implementation and evaluation of the project
- > To participate in meetings and monitor the effectiveness of the project

## Role of the project coordinator:

- > To manage the implementation of the project and arrange meetings with representatives
- > To lead curriculum development and offer support to teachers
- To meet with industry partners in organizing activities

## Role of the English teachers:

- To implement the project modules based on the timeline
- > To design learning materials
- To observe students' performance and review the project effectiveness

## Role of the teaching assistant:

- > To coordinate and assist in learning activities
- > To keep record of activities and meetings
- > To develop an online platform for learning resources

# 2.6 Budget

**Total Grant Sought:** HK\$122,600

Dudget	Budget Breakdown for the budget items			
Categories*	Item	Amount (HK\$)	Justifications	
A) Staff	Teaching Assistant	\$13,000 x 1.05 (MPF included) x 8 months = \$109,200	Qualification: -University graduates with teacher training (e.g. PGDE) are preferred Experience: -Basic knowledge in computer skills Duties: -assisting in liaising between the school and service providers -assisting in preparing learning materials -handling administrative duties and clerical work	
B) Service	Guest speaker	about \$500/hour x 2 hours = \$1,000	Experience: -Speakers with experience in starting up and running own businesses are preferred	
	Pastry instructor	\$400/hour x 6 hours = \$2,400	Qualification and experience: -Instructors with previous culinary and teaching experience are preferred	
C) General	Audit	\$5,000		
expenses	Ingredients	\$2,500	Ingredients for cooking workshops	
	Printing	\$2,500	_	
	Total Grant Sought (HK\$):	\$122,600		

## 2.7 Expected Project Outcomes

#### (A) Deliverables

- Learning and teaching materials
- Strengthen teachers' professional capacity in curriculum design

#### (B) Evaluation

<b>Evaluation methods</b>	Success Criteria
- Questionnaires	- 70% or above students agree that the learning materials and activities are effective in enhancing their learning motivation and raising
	their awareness on life planning.
- Lesson observation	- Teachers are able to raise questions regarding life-planning while delivering the lessons.
-Teacher feedback	- Teachers' feedback shows that the collaborative planning sessions are constructive and contribute to the culture of professional
	development, especially in integrating life-planning elements in the lessons.

## **Report Submission Schedule**

The school commits to submitting proper reports in strict accordance with the following schedule:

Project Ma	anagement	Financial Management		
(Should be submitted via the "Electronic Project Management System" (EPMS))		(Hard copy together with supporting documents show submitted to the QEF Secretariat by mail or in personal submitted to the DEF Secretariat by		
Type of report and reporting period	Report due on	Type of report and reporting period	Report due on	
Final Report		Final Financial Report		
01/02/2022 - 30/09/2022	31/12/2022	01/02/2022 - 30/09/2022	31/12/2022	

## Remarks

- -In order to ensure the openness, fairness and competitiveness of the procurement of services, our school will conduct quotation/tendering in accordance with the QEF General Guidelines on Staff Administration and Procurement Matter to select the service provider(s).
- -If the services to be procured by the our school involve the appointment of external staff/tutors, our school will make appropriate arrangements in accordance with the requirements as promulgated in circulars, instructions and guidelines issued by the Education Bureau from time to time, including relevant recommendations in Education Bureau Circular No. 7/2021 on Sexual Conviction Record Check Scheme, to safeguard the well-being of students.

# **Appendix: Details of project modules**

Modules	Elective subjects and knowledge	Expected learning outcomes Language skills and knowledge	No. of Sessions and Durations	Resources
1. Exploring Local Street Food Culture  a. Exploring local food and its culture through multimodal texts b. Recommending a local food of their own choice	Subjects: - Tourism and Hospitality Studies  Knowledge - History and cultural meaning of local food	21st century skills:  - Communication - Social skills  Reading:  - Working out the meaning of unfamiliar words and phrases using context clues - Understanding articles on history and symbolic meanings of local food  Listening:  - Watching videos on tourists trying local food  Writing:  - Giving recommendation of a local food  Speaking:  - Presenting personal ideas and information based on a model  Vocabulary: - Positions in the food industry	6-8 lessons (40 mins each)	Staff involved:  - English teachers  - conducting lessons  - designing learning materials  - Teaching assistant  - coordinating learning materials on the online platform  - Tourism and Hospitality Studies teachers  - providing materials on specific subject knowledge

Activities	Elective subjects and knowledge	Expected learning outcomes Language skills and knowledge	No. of Sessions and Durations	Resources
<ul> <li>2. Making local food</li> <li>a. Attending a local food cooking workshop (one workshop for each class)</li> <li>b. Attending food recipe design workshops (for those who are interested in designing an original recipe and especially for those studying Tourism and Hospitality)</li> </ul>	Subjects: - Tourism and Hospitality Studies  Knowledge: - Operations of the catering industry	21st century skills:  - Creativity - Productivity - Collaboration  Reading: - Understanding procedural texts by locating specific information and sequence words  Listening: - Watching videos on preparing food step by step  Writing: - Creating recipes of local food with a twist for specific people (e.g. healthy ingredients)  Speaking: - Presenting the food made  Vocabulary: - Utensils, ingredients, cooking verbs, etc.  Language and grammar items: - Imperatives - Sequence words	8-10 lessons (40 mins each)	Staff involved:  Pastry instructor  demonstrating cooking procedures  guiding students in completing the target dish  Tourism and Hospitality Studies teachers  providing relevant subject knowledge and ideas regarding local food  English teachers  complementing the cooking lessons with English input  Teaching assistant  coordinating the implementation of Activity  assisting students during the lessons  documenting students' learning moments in photographic or other appropriate forms  School facilities:  Practical kitchen

Activities	Elective subjects and knowledge	Expected learning outcomes Language skills and knowledge	No. of Sessions and Durations	Resources
<ul> <li>3. Promoting local food</li> <li>a. Promoting local food in KOL-style through videos, posts, etc., and giving feedback on each other's work</li> <li>b. Designing packaging for food made for the Sharing Session (only for those who are interested and especially for those studying Visual Arts)</li> </ul>	Subjects: - Tourism and Hospitality Studies - Visual Arts - BAFS  Knowledge: - Tourism - Marketing - Graphic design	21st century skills:  - Creativity - Social skills - Media & Technology literacy - Collaboration  Reading:  - Understanding articles explaining the pros and cons of being a KOL - Consolidating reading skills learnt previously  Listening:  - Watching videos of KOLs promoting food - Watching examples of good promotional videos  Writing: - Writing captions in KOL manners  Speaking: - Presentation skills - Persuasive techniques	5-6 lessons (40 mins each)	Staff involved:  Tourism and Hospitality Studies teachers  providing subject knowledge and ideas about tourism  Visual Arts teachers  guiding students in carrying out the design process  BAFS teachers  providing subject knowledge of effective persuasion and marketing  English teachers  conducting lessons  complementing the learning process with English input  designing learning materials  Teaching assistant  liaising with teachers of subjects other than English  coordinating learning materials on the online platform  documenting students' learning moments in appropriate forms  School facilities:  Design and applied technology room

Activities	Elective subjects and knowledge	Expected learning outcomes Language skills and knowledge	No. of Sessions and Durations	Resources
path c. Playing games which test knowledge of the	Subject: - Visual Arts  Knowledge: - Graphic design - Product packaging	21st century skills:  - Communication - Critical thinking - Initiative  Reading:  - Understanding more about the industry of the guest speaker (preferably about the guest speaker as well) through articles on ups and downs of careers such as local chefs, designers, tour guides, or KOLs  Listening:  - Watching videos of internationally famous chefs such as on their road to stardom  Writing:  - Reflections on what career path to take  Speaking: - Interview techniques	8-10 lessons (40 mins each)	Staff involved:  Guest speaker (e.g. local chefs/graphic designers/ KOLs)  delivering speech/personal stories on career-related topics  interacting with students  Career teachers  assisting in marshalling questions suitable for life-planning purposes  Visual Arts teachers  assisting students in presenting their design work to the speaker for feedbacks  English teachers  conducting lessons  complementing activities with relevant English input  Teaching assistant  coordinating the talk session by guest speaker  liaising with teachers of other subjects  School facilities:  School Hall

Activities	Elective subjects and knowledge	Expected learning outcomes Language skills and knowledge	No. of Sessions and Durations	Resources
<ul> <li>5. Making and promoting local food on the Sharing Session</li> <li>a. Making the local food and serving it to visitors</li> <li>b. Promoting the local food</li> <li>c. Setting up the booths</li> </ul>	Subject: - Tourism and Hospitality Studies - Visual Arts - BAFS  Knowledge: - Catering - Graphic design - Marketing	21st century skills:  - Leadership and Collaboration - Communication - Social skills - Productivity  Writing: - Recounts of the Sharing Session to be published in the school magazine  Speaking: - Presentation skills - Persuasive techniques	Language Preparation: 3-4 lessons (40 mins each)  Material preparation: 2 days  Sharing Session 1 day	Staff involved:  Tourism and Hospitality Studies teachers  providing feedback on the preparatory process  BAFS teachers  providing feedback on the preparatory process  Visual Arts teachers  providing feedback on the preparatory process  Finglish teachers  conducting lessons  guiding students through the preparatory process  Teaching assistant  coordinating the implementation of the activity  School facilities:  Practical kitchen  Design and applied technology room  School Hall