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Hearts in Motion Brings Community Together for President's Challenge

Close to 2,000 ITE students, staff and members of the public took part in *Hearts in Motion*, a community event organised by ITE in support of President's Challenge, on 25 Jul. Attended by President Tharman Shanmugaratnam, the event raised about \$110,000 for programmes that support communities in need.

A key highlight was the contribution of more than 200 student leaders and volunteers from ITE College West, who played key roles in organising the event in areas such as participant engagement, programme coordination, logistics and carnival operations. Participants enjoyed a 5-km competitive run, a 3-km family and team walk, as well as a carnival featuring student-led activities and booths by President's Challenge beneficiary organisations.

Also present were Ms Low Yen Ling, Senior Minister of State for Culture, Community and Youth and for Trade and Industry, and Mayor of South West District; Mr Jeffrey Siow, Acting Minister for Transport and Senior Minister of State for Finance; and Mr Shawn Huang, Senior Parliamentary Secretary for Finance and Manpower.

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ITE Celebrates the Class of 2026

Graced by Dr Syed Harun Alhabsyi, Senior Parliamentary Secretary for Education, the ITE Graduation Ceremony celebrated the achievements of 10,955 students and adult learners from ITE's full-time, part-time and diploma programmes as they marked a major milestone and embarked on the next chapter of their education and careers.

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ITE Graduates Receive Lifelong Learning Scholarships

Twenty-five ITE graduates were awarded the Ng Teng Yeng BBM, Tan Guan Kai, Wong Man Shen and Tan Kah Kee Lifelong Learning Scholarships in recognition of their academic excellence and CCA achievements. The scholarships support their progression to further studies at ITE or the polytechnics.

The presentation ceremony was graced by Mr Edwin Tong, Minister for Law and Second Minister for Home Affairs.

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ITE and CHAGEE Launch Tea Beverage Qualification Programme

ITE and CHAGEE Singapore signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on 21 Aug to launch Singapore's first tea beverage qualification programme, jointly developed by an Institute of Higher Learning and an industry partner. The programme will equip ITE students and CHAGEE employees with industry-relevant knowledge and skills, while supporting their career development and progression in the tea beverage industry.

Ms Indranee Rajah, Minister in the Prime Minister's Office and Second Minister for Finance and National Development, witnessed the MOU signing held alongside the opening of CHAGEE's family-friendly outlet in Pasir Ris.

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Hermès Partnership Opens Door to Luxury Retail for ITE Students

Through an exclusive partnership with Hermès South Asia, more than 150 *Higher Nitec* in Visual Merchandising students put their creativity and skills to the test in a competition themed 'When the Ocean Calls, Adventure Follows'.

Two winning students, Elissa Qaisara Binte Shamsul and Too Kai Yan, earned a visit to the new Hermès Bangkok Flagship Store to gain first-hand exposure to luxury retail and visual merchandising.

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ITE and ASME Launch Group-Based Upgrading Programme for SMEs

Designed to support small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) in their AI adoption journey, the initiative provides an environment for businesses to explore and adopt AI together, and to come up with solutions tailored to their business needs. ITE students will have opportunities to work with SMEs on real-world AI projects through internships and capstone projects.

The programme launch was officiated by Ms Jasmin Lau, Acting Minister for Manpower and Senior Minister of State for Digital Development and Information.

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ITE Students Shine at The Special Awards

More than 20 ITE students and graduates were recognised at The Special Awards Presentation Ceremony for their academic excellence and outstanding co-curricular achievements. Dr Janil Puthucheary, Senior Minister of State for Education, graced the ceremony, held at the University Cultural Centre, National University of Singapore.

Among the recipients was alumna Tan Jie Ying, who received the Lee Hsien Loong Award for Outstanding All-round Achievement.

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Visit by Chinese Education Leaders

Thirty education leaders from China visited ITE College East on 21 Aug under the Building Educational Bridges SG-PRC Programme, where they gained insights into ITE's applied learning approach through presentations and discussions, facility tours and demonstrations.

The visit also provided a platform for meaningful exchanges on preparing students for the evolving demands of the future workforce.

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'VocalITE' Brings Student Talent to Stage

More than 50 students from ITE Show Choir and ITE That Acappella Group took the lead in producing ITE's first student-led production 'VocalITE'. They managed key aspects of the production from stage direction and event organisation to marketing.

The experience provided students with a platform to hone their leadership, teamwork and event management skills while bringing their creative ideas to life on stage.

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Students Develop AI Solution to Tackle Beach Litter

A team of four ITE students developed AwareGuard, an AI-powered system that uses drone imagery and computer vision to map coastal litter hotspots, helping make beach cleanup efforts more targeted and efficient. Their innovative solution won the Green Solution Award at the ASEAN AI Hackathon 2026 in Da Nang, Vietnam.

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Exemplary ITE Staff Receives Public Service Award

Mr Chin Kok Leong, Manager in Electrical Engineering at ITE College East, received the Exemplary SkillsFuture @ Public Service Award for his contributions to workforce development and lifelong learning. His work in advancing industry training and nurturing future talent reflects ITE's commitment to supporting skills development across the workforce.

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IT Field Engineer, Noble Technology & Engineering Pte Ltd
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