



## LIFE AND CAREER PATHWAYS 2024-2025

## Overview



Future Pathways is an offering that provides knowledge, skills and understanding to parents and students to support each student in making informed decisions to be successful now and in the future. We offer a tailored and personalised programme that helps students make informed decisions about their academic future. We advise them on access to the university of their choice and on different career paths.

It extends its support not only to students but also to their parents, ensuring a comprehensive approach to career readiness. The Future Pathways offering actively provides support to parents while also creating ample development opportunities for students, educators, and counsellors.

## **Vision**



Developing students' skills and abilities for the future through a structured learning program to equip them for life beyond school.



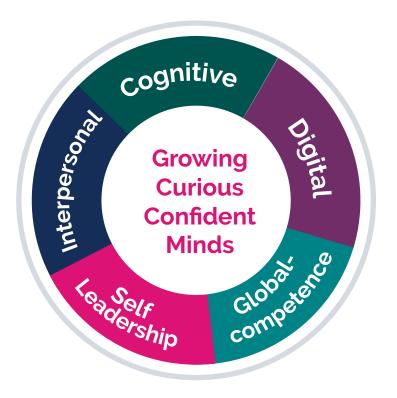
Enhancing cooperation among schools, employers, parents, and local communities to boost student involvement with work environments and support their smooth transition to further education, training, and employment.



Ensuring students
possess the career
management and
navigation skills required
to make well-informed
career choices
throughout their careers.

## **Life Competences**

Being an ISP school, we exist to develop the world's most curious and confident minds through holistic, transformative learning experiences.



We support all five key life competencies that we strive to develop in our learners and ensures that our Future Pathways programs focus on diverse career areas of the future, including Future of Work, Cybersecurity, Ethical Hacking, and Entrepreneurship, among others.



## **Objectives**

## **Partnerships**



- Work together with parents, guardians, employers, and the local community.
- Foster collaborations with employers that build on best practices and support students to have first-hand experiences of the workplace.
- Collaborate with higher education to provide opportunities for students to explore their career choices.

## Link curriculum learning with careers



- Enhance teachers' ability to link classroom lessons with real-world work applications.
- Help students link workplace experiences to their classroom learning, including building career management and navigation skills through exploring and engaging in work-related activities.

#### Address the needs of all students



- Make sure education addresses the unique needs of each student career.
- Discover each student's personal interests and strengths to guide their future career choices.

#### Communities



- Career education should be adaptable in its design, content, and delivery to address the needs of local communities and offer students a range of job opportunities and career paths.
- Use local community connections and resources to enhance student outcomes and prospects.

#### Career and labor market information



- Help students access and utilize information about career paths and the job market to guide their decisions on study choices.
- Assist parents in accessing and using information about job markets and future study options to better support their kids.

## **Destinations of choice**

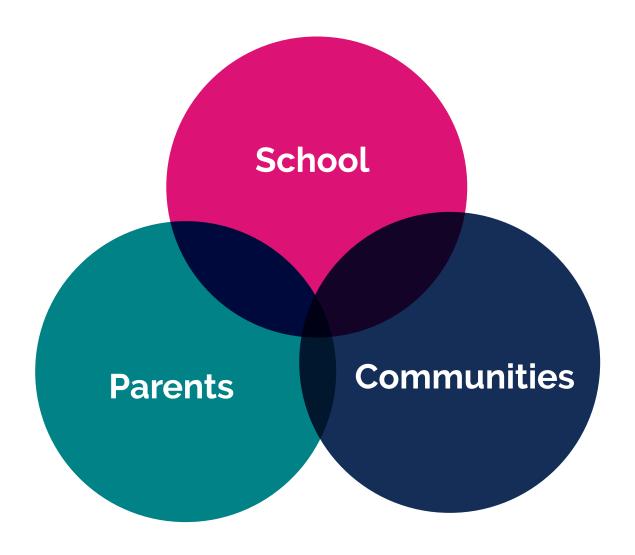


- Recognize student development and progress to facilitate a smooth transition after school.
- Dedicate efforts to enhancing the evidence base by conducting high-quality, long-term tracking of student outcomes.
- Stay informed about current research and trends to ensure ongoing enhancement of career education.
- Enhance access to and raise awareness of information on educational pathways and job opportunities.



## A Shared Responsibility

Career education is most effective when it is student-centered and when parents and caregivers, school leaders, teachers, employers, and career practitioners/advisers work together to support students on this journey.





Career education, including work exploration and work-related opportunities. Integrated across curriculum for all students from primary to secondary school to help students make will-informed choices about their study and/or career options.



Parents need to recognize the importance of career education. By aligning with their child's interests and collaborating with the school, community, and local businesses, they can help their kids to explore and make career choices.



By partnering with schools to offer genuine work-based learning experiences and work exploration, the communities can contribute to the development of the students' future workforce skills.

## **Westlink Future Pathways Program**

#### **Career Lead/Adviser Training**

Themes	Outcomes
Times Higher Accredited Counsellor Programme	Times Higher Education Accredited Counsellor
Future Pathway Learning Hub Modules	ISP Learning Hub Completion Certificate
Professional Membership	International Association for College Admission Counseling (IACAC) International School Counseling Association (ISCA)
Postgraduate Career Qualification	Professional Qualification via an ISP approved provider

### **Programs for Students**

#### We offer students

- Dedicated career curriculum
- Personalised guidance from a school counsellor
- Orientation talks for families
- Career Festivals

- Talks with universities and professionals
- National and international university fairs
- Scholarships and agreements with international universities
- Experience of workplace
- Enrichment opportunities to learn from employers such as visiting speakers or mentors.





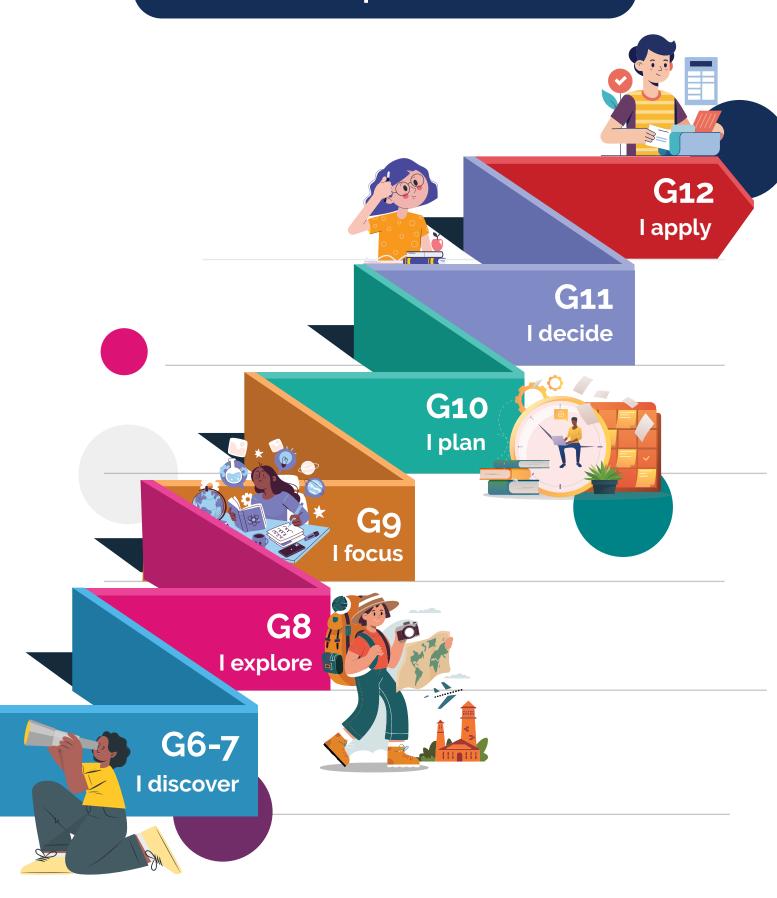


## **Dedicated Career Curriculum**

We use Career Development Framework published by the Career development Institute as the guidance for the career curriculum development. This CID framework indicates that career development takes skill as well as knowledge and the right attitude. Individuals need to work on career development skills throughout their lives. Westlink secondary students will start this program on Term 2, October 2024.



## **Career Development Procedure**



## **Career Talks, Festivals and Workshops**

Talks, Workshops, and Festivals	Tentative Timelines
Workshops Leadership Education and academic prep workshop by the university of Toronto, Canada.	October 2024
<ul> <li>Parents Workhop 1</li> <li>Why Career Education from Middle Years and how parents can support kids with career education?</li> <li>Overview of how middle school choices can impact high school and beyond.</li> <li>Tools and resources available for career exploration and planning.</li> </ul>	October 2024
Future Pathways Festival Parents with jobs, employers, colleges and universities come into school for a specific day and learners rotate around stalls, take part in activities and find out more about opportunities.	<u> March 2025</u>
Life competences	<u>Every Wednesday,</u> <u>September 2024- June 2025</u>
Parents Workshop 2 Supporting Career Exploration: How can parents help their children explore potential careers?	<u>Apirl 2025</u>
<u>Parents Talks</u>	Through out the year, integrated in the curriculum
Workplace visits  Exploring the career opportunities and roles that are associated with running these attractions.	<u>January 2025</u>

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