Education Bureau Circular Memorandum No. 9/2025

From: Secretary for Education To: Heads of all secondary schools Ref: EDB(GD)/20/25/2/O 24/25 I (except ESF schools and

Date: 7 March 2025 international schools)

Enhanced Smart Teen Project 2025/26

Summary

The purpose of this circular memorandum is to invite secondary schools to apply for participation in the Enhanced Smart Teen Project (ESTP) in the 2025/26 school year and attend a briefing session on the project.

Background

2. Starting from the 2006/07 school year, the Education Bureau (EDB) has been collaborating with disciplinary forces to implement the ESTP. Training on discipline and team building has been provided for students to enhance their self-discipline, self-confidence, team spirit and resilience. As the project has yielded remarkable outcome and has been well received by schools, EDB has regularised the project starting from the 2018/19 school year so that more students can benefit.

Details

Content of the Project

- 3. The ESTP comprises three parts: teacher development, student training and post-camp follow-up activities. Participating schools have to join all the parts as follows:
 - (a) Teacher development A series of professional training activities will be arranged for teachers, including an overnight training camp and training workshops for about 12 hours. The aim of the training is to equip teachers with the skills in leading and implementing the project.
 - (b) Student training EDB will collaborate with the Hong Kong Police Force, the Hong Kong Fire Services Department, the Hong Kong Correctional Services Department, the Customs and Excise Department, the Immigration Department and the Civil Aid Service in organising Smart Teen Challenge Camps for Secondary 2 to 5 students. Through a series of discipline and physical training, students' self-discipline, self-confidence, team spirit and resilience will be enhanced.

(c) Post-camp follow-up activities - Upon the completion of the Smart Teen Challenge Camps, schools should organise a series of post-camp follow-up activities to strengthen the learning experiences the students acquired in the camps, so as to consolidate and sustain the positive changes.

Briefing Session

4. A briefing session will be organised on 7 April 2025 to help schools better understand the content, application procedures and the implemention strategies of the ESTP. Teachers responsible for implementing the project in previous years and students having participated in the ESTP will be invited to share their experiences in implementing the project and their growth and benefits gained respectively. Please visit the EDB Training Calendar (Course ID: SE0020250088) for details of the briefing session.

Application Procedures

5. Schools interested in joining the ESTP in the 2025/26 school year can download the application form from the EDB website from 7 April 2025 onwards, and return it to the Guidance and Discipline Section of EDB on or before 16 May 2025.

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Enquiries

6. For enquiries, please contact the Guidance and Discipline Section of EDB at 2863 4730 or 2863 4784.

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