# Supporting Your Child's ECG Journey

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## **Overview**



## **Changing World of Work**



Credit: Image from Canva Restricte

## The Future of Work: Will Our Child Be Prepared?



Source: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=59d3UZTUFQ0

## Workplace Has CHANGED



"It is a concern that more young people than before appear to be **picking their dream job** from a **small list** of the most popular, **traditional occupations**, like teachers, lawyers or business managers.

The surveys show that too many teenagers are ignoring or are unaware of new types of jobs that are emerging, particularly as a result of digitalization".

- Andreas Schleicher \*OECD Director for Education and Skills

\*Organisation for Economic Cooperation & Development

## **Top Skills Needed In 2025**







**Self-management** 



Working with people



Technology use and development



#### Businesses' top 10 skill priorities for 2027



1. Analytical thinking	6. Q Curiosity and lifelong learning
2. Creative thinking	7. Technological literacy
3. Al and big data	8. Design and user experience
4. Leadership and social influence	9. Motivation and self-awareness
5. Resilience, flexibility and agility	10. Empathy and active listening

#### Type of skill

■ Cognitive skills
■ Self-efficacy
■ Technology skills
■ Working with others

#### Source

World Economic Forum, Future of Jobs Report 2023.

#### Note

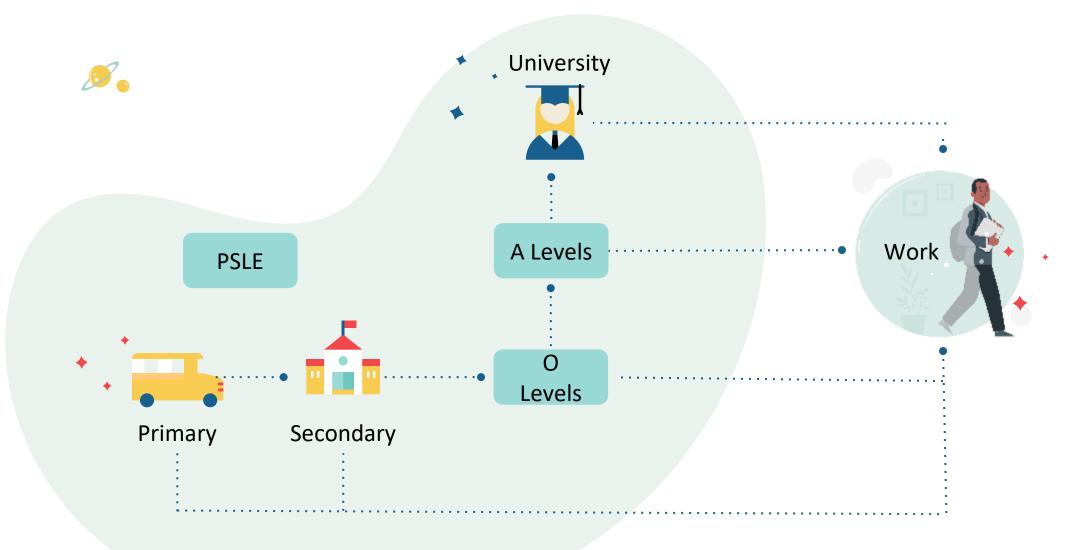
The skills which organizations will prioritize in workforce development initiatives from 2023 to 2027



## **Changing Education Landscape**

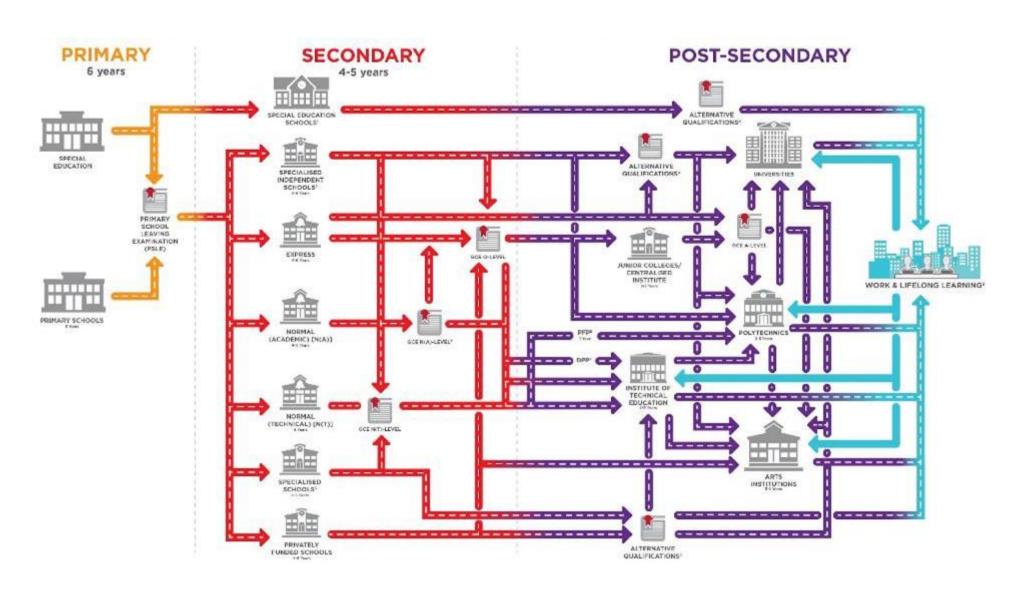
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## **Education Pathway used to be Simple**



Credit: Illustration by Storyset

### Today, the Education Landscape is Dynamic



## Some Changes in the Education Landscape

Revised PSLE	Full Subject-Based	Post-Secondary	IHL
Scoring System	Banding	Landscape	Landscape
New Achievement Levels scoring system  *IHL: Institute of Higher Learning *CEP: Common Entry Programme	Implementation of Full Subject-Based Banding in all Secondary Schools by 2024	Expanding CEP^ offerings by Polytechnics  New ITE curriculum from 2022; shortened route to Higher Nitec  Offering of ITE Work-Study Diplomas  Shorter Polytechnic Diplomas for A-Level Students  A-Level curriculum to be revised	Expanding Aptitude-Based Admissions at Autonomous Universities  Inter-disciplinary learning in Institutes of Higher Learning  Offering of IHL Work- Study Degrees  Establishing New University of the Arts







## Your Child's ECG Journey in School

#### Sec 1

- Transitioning to a new school environment.
- Introduction to different career sectors.

#### Sec 3

- Deepen career exploration.
- Adjustment to new subjects, class and
- CCA leadership roles.

Discovering purpose, adopting a lifelong learning dispositions and mindsets.





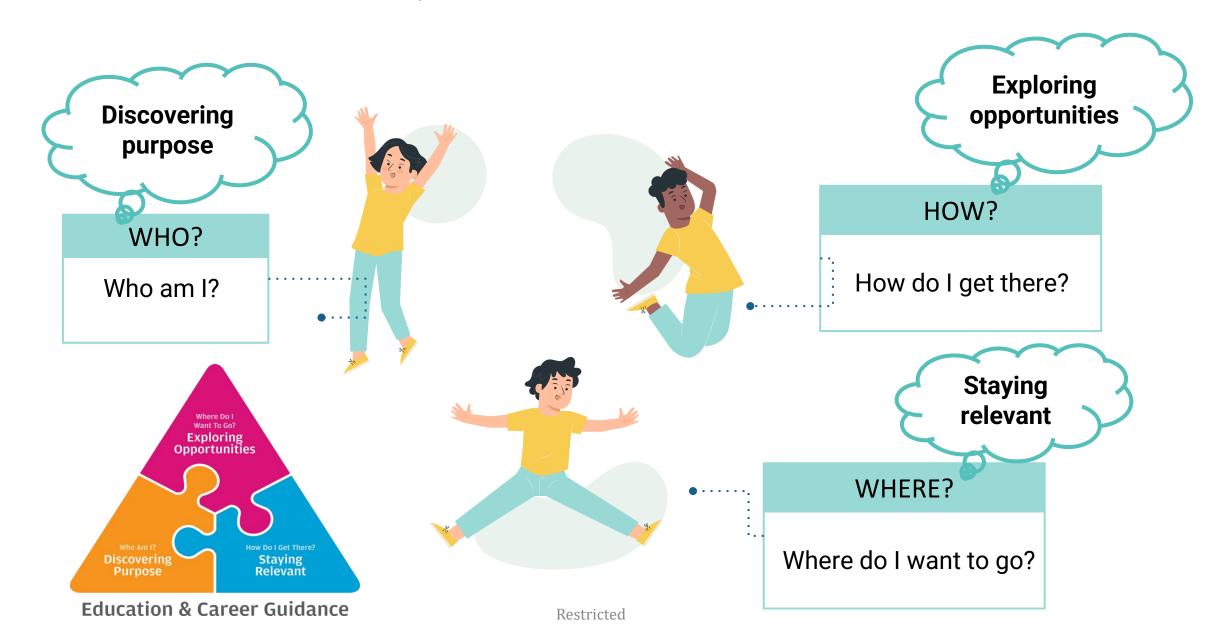
#### Sec 2

- Exploration of Values, Interests,
   Personality, Skills (VIPS).
- Choosing Subject Combination.

#### Sec 4/5

- GCE N or O Levels.
- Alignment of VIPS with postsecondary courses.

## The 3 ECG Questions to Guide Our Child



## **How Can Parents Support Your Child?**

#### 1. Discovering Purpose

- Guide your child to make informed decisions and own them
- Understanding their Values, Interests, Personality, Skills, and Strengths

#### 2. Exploring Opportunities

 Encourage your child to find out more about education pathways and the world of work, and exploring Education and Career Pathways with them

#### 3. Staying Relevant

 Embrace lifelong learning and develop your child's future-ready skill by encouraging them to continuously pursue opportunities for learning



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Polytechnics draw students from secondary schools, JCs and ITE through multiple pathways



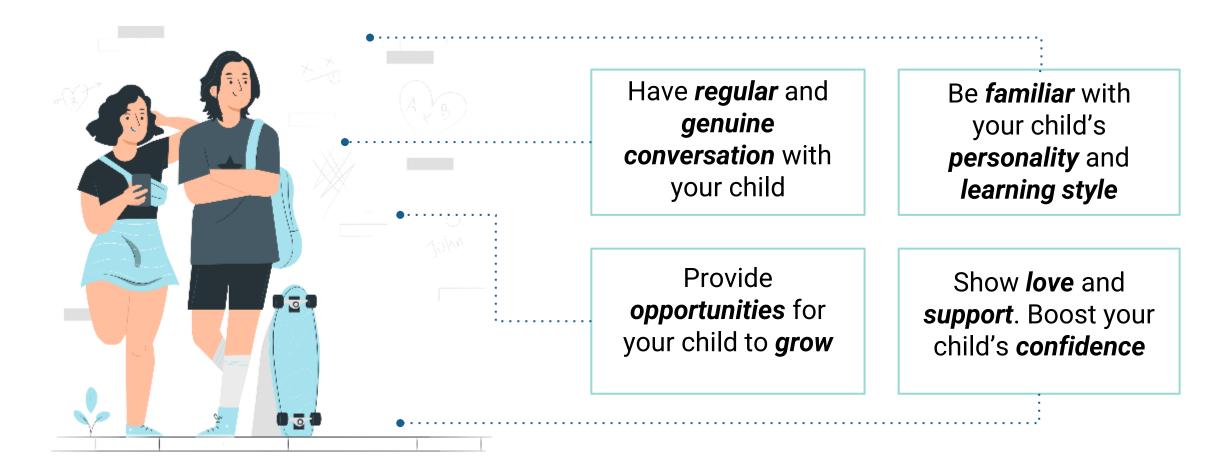
2023, around 21,100 students enrolled into full-time diploma courses across the five polytechnics here. PHOTO: NGEE ANN POLYTECHNIC

#### Straits Times, 7 January 2024

Parent Jared Tan, 45, a business development manager, said he was initially unhappy his son wanted to study business in Singapore Polytechnic, instead of heading to a JC.

"I went to the open houses, saw the latest figures and all the offerings from polytechnics and came away with a changed mindset, and I am confident that if my son wants to go to university he will be able to do so."

Students and parents interviewed said the higher number of polytechnic graduates making it to the local universities is another reason why the polytechnics remain popular. Currently, about one in three polytechnic graduates every year goes on to matriculate at universities here, up from around one in four in 2015.

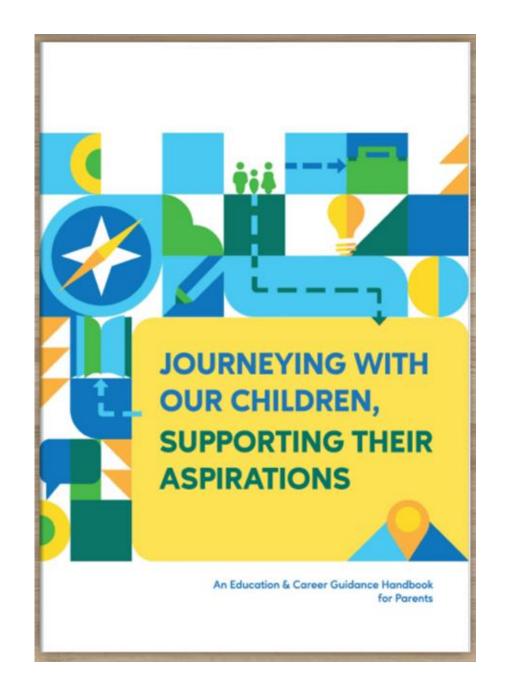


## Supporting Your Child's Aspirations

Source: 2021 CEG's Parents Seminar Restricted

## Parenting Tips on ECG Conversation

https://go.gov.sg/ecg-parent-guide



## Need someone to talk to about your Child's Education and Career journey?

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- Email: woo\_wai\_yeng@schools.gov.sg
- Book an appointment : https://go.gov.sg/bds-ecg



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### **Useful Resources Links**

MySkillsFuture Student Portal (Secondary)	https://go.gov.sg/MySFSec
A Guide to Post-secondary Admissions Exercises (JAE, JIE, DSA-JC, Poly EAE, ITE EAE, DPP, PFP, NFD)	https://www.moe.gov.sg/- /media/files/post-secondary/a-guide-to- post-secondary-admissions-exercises.pdf
CourseFinder (Explore courses offered by ITE and Polytechnics)	https://www.moe.gov.sg/coursefinder
SchoolFinder (Explore information on JCs)	https://www.moe.gov.sg/schoolfinder
What's Next (After N-level)	https://go.gov.sg/whats-next-nlevel
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Post-Secondary Education	https://go.gov.sg/postsecondary
Tips on Coping with Transition through Upper Secondary/ Post-Secondary Education	https://go.gov.sg/transitionsupportel
What's Next (After A-Level)	https://go.gov.sg/whats-next-alevel
Overview of Post Secondary Education Institutions (Including autonomous universities, arts institutions, government-affiliated educational institutes and polytechnics)	https://go.gov.sg/overview-pseis
Journeying with our Children, supporting their Aspirations	https://go.gov.sg/ecg-parent-guide

