



The Alliance Cultural Foundation: The Listener – Begin by Understanding Youth

ACF recently completed the filming of six episodes of The Listener's second series focusing on understanding youths. The series, created for parents and new teachers of secondary school, features Chi-heng Chen who has extensive experience in parenting education. In the series he helps viewers understand youth emotion, physiologic changes that take place during puberty, how to nurture self-worth, how to be a Listener, understanding and meeting youths at where they are in their lives as well as knowing when to let go without giving up.

The Listener project will create in total three series – the first to help teachers gain self-awareness and counselling skills, the second to help teachers better understand youths and share skills to engage with youths, and the third to help teachers earn classroom management skills.

Chi-heng Chen holds several notable titles. For nine years, he was the former National Changhua Senior School of Commerce's School Counsellor; he is a Counselling Psychologist, a NLP Master Trainer, and bestselling author.



Junyi School of Innovation: Embracing Online Learning amid Covid-19

Due to the rise of Covid-19 cases in Taiwan, Junyi School of Innovation shifts to online learning. Teachers redesigned the curriculum and modified their teaching to engage more meaningfully with students. They use available learning materials online and help nurture self-learners. Teachers of the arts and sports programs use available apps for students to maintain physical activity and learning in the arts. Though they found the shift challenging, it was an opportunity for change to breakthrough traditional teaching methods and to incorporate the use of different online resources. To engage students, teachers use Google education tools for group discussions and games.



Junyi School of Innovation: Cycling Team Volunteers at the Kusahala Tribe

11th May, Junyi School of Innovation's 11th grade cycling team challenged themselves to cycle the Yuchang Highway. Team members combined their cycling tour which began in Taitung City with volunteer services at the Kusahala Tribe in Changbin. As the majority of the tribe's youths study and work outside of the tribe, they designed activities for the village elders and young children that remain. Activities include singing, dumpling making with the elders, and games with the young. Before parting, elders who are inarticulate in mandarin shared their appreciation to students and teachers in mandarin. Students felt their greatest takeaway from the experience was the value of human engagement. As long as there is the will to serve, a difference can be made.

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A Cappella Youth Camp



The Alliance Cultural Foundation: Taitung A Cappella Camp

One of Kehua Cultural Foundation's core initiatives is to promote a cappella music through education and schools. This summer, in collaboration with ACF, will be the first ever Taitung A Cappella Camp. The camp aims to inspire and nurture Asia's next generation a cappella singers. The curriculum, designed by Vocal Percussionist Gabriel Hahn and A Cappella Arranger Christine Liu, includes vocal training, stage performance, beatbox, and body percussion. Campers recruited are between the ages of 13-25 years-old. Hahn and Liu hopes that through the camp they will nurture a deeper understanding and appreciation for a cappella music.

Due to the rise of Covid-19 cases in Taiwan, ACF will follow government advisories to decide whether the camp will go forward.