Lam Tai Fai College Report on the Use of the Promotion of Reading Grant 2021-2022 School Year

Part 1: Evaluation of the Effectiveness

1. Evaluation of the objective:

Under the epidemic situation of recent years, the learning and teaching mode of the school had been somehow affected. Not only half-day and full-day schooling had been adopted simultaneously for different levels of students, but also the mode of teaching and learning had been swopped from face-to-face mode to online mode from January to early March 2022, then came an earlier break (special holidays) for the school. The usage of the school library services was being interrupted in such situation. There still a going needs of students to read ebooks to satisfy their reading and information needs. A total of 440 titles of ebooks were downloaded/read by students in last academic year. As the half schooling day class resumed only after early May 2022, and came with the mid-term test shortly for the students. Students went to the library in person and had time to borrow library items after mid-May 2022. There were 632 titles being checked out and read for the whole academic year. Though the borrowing rate of printed books/items was still higher than that of ebooks, promoting both kinds of reading would be library's main task in facilitate the reading culture of the school especially during the unexpected epidemic period. Besides, library was originally planned to invite book authors to come and share the joy of reading in an event to be held in March 2022, plan was being halted when face-to-face mode of teaching and learning stopped at the end of January 2022. Nonetheless, as students were generally passive in reading, school would try to use the grant to arrange different modes of activities in accordance with our school contexts.

2. Evaluation of strategies:

In this academic year, there are 258 new library items were acquired, a bit more than last year, after the library renovation was completed and library reopened in mid-Oct 2021. As budget was stringent after the renovation, Library subscribed fewer databases than last year, while still kept subscribing Wisenews, for let's students keeping up with the current news of the world, and widening their horizons. In future, library will keep enriching both print and electronic resources, as we aim to nurture students' reading habits and instill their mind with reading as a chill way of modern living.

Part 2: Financial Report

	Item *	Actual expenses (\$)
1.	Purchase of Books	
	Printed books	\$43,903.80
	e-Books	
2.	Web-based Reading Schemes	
	eRead Scheme	\$51,673.00
	Other scheme:	
3.	Reading Activities	\$0
	Hiring writers, professional storytellers, etc. to conduct talks	
	Hire of service from external service providers to organise learning activities related to the promotion of reading	
	Paying the application fees for students to participate in reading activities and competitions	
	Subsidising students to participate in or apply for fee-charging reading related activities or	
	courses	
4.	Others:	\$0
	Total	\$95,576.80
	Overspent Balance	\$22,250.80

^{*} Please tick the appropriate boxes or provide details.