

Centenary of the Founding of the Sheng Kung Hui Choi Kou School

(Macau)

Choi Kou School was founded in 1919. The kindergarten, named “Chi To Kindergarten”, was originally initiated by prominent figures and Dr. U Mei Tak, the deacon of the Chi To Church of the Church of Christ in China. It was the first pre-school educational institution in Macao. In 1932, primary section of Choi Kou School was established and its name was changed into “Choi Kou Memorial School” in order to commemorate Mr. Choi Kou, the first Christian in China. The establishment of the junior section in 1946 and the establishment of the secondary section in 1949 made Choi Kou School an ideal comprehensive school. Sheng Kung Hui (The Anglican Church) has taken over Choi Kou School in 1967 until now. At present, Choi Kou School is housed in two premises at Rua de Pedro Nolasco da Silva and Avenida do Dr. Francisco Vieira Machado in Areia Preta. There are four school divisions in the school now, namely secondary section, primary section, kindergarten section and evening section, with about 2,000 students. In June 1999, the Macao Portuguese government has awarded Choi Kou School with the Medal of Cultural Merit; in November of the same year, the former governor of Macao conferred Reverend Poon Nai Chiu, the former principal of Choi Kou School, with the Medal of Professional Merit; in 2013, Principal Chan Chi Kwan was awarded the Medal of Merit - Education by the Macao SAR Government. All of these medals are affirmations of Choi Kou School’s years of efforts. In order to establish a well-developed teaching management system and promote quality teaching, Choi Kou School has obtained the ISO 9000 International Quality Management Certification more than a decade since 2000, with joint efforts by school management levels, teachers and students. In 2010, the school has obtained the Education Quality Certification of Advancing Excellence in Education Worldwide in the United States, making it the first school in Macao to be recognized by the international school quality assessment institution. In 2015, the school has passed the evaluation of the Advancing Excellence in Education Worldwide again.

As one of the Christian schools which enjoy such a long history in Macao, the school consistently pursued the core value of Christian education. In addition to the intellectual skills, the school also emphasizes on pastoral care for the students. We encourage students to develop their knowledge and awareness, as well as to study and respond to the teaching of Christ.

The mission of Choi Kou School is “Integrity, Perseverance, Love and Frugality; to implement of excellent education, equip students with comprehensive abilities and global vision.” The school is committed to providing students with opportunities to participate in local and international community activities in the field of education and culture. The Sheng Kung Hui (The Anglican Church) covers all parts of the world. Through this international network, the school is associated with Sheng Kung Hui (The Anglican Church) organizations around the world, and has held different types of educational exchanges and cultural experience programmes for our students so that the students can step out of Macao, broaden their horizons, and cultivate the universal mind, so as to realize the long-term view of “School becomes a gateway to the world for students”.

In 2019, Choi Kou School celebrates its anniversary of one hundred years. Over the past century, Choi Kou School has witnessed the vicissitudes of Macao, China and the global community. In the present day, Choi Kou School’s alumni are all over the world, among whom many outstanding have contributed a lot to the construction of Macao, China and the international community. At the 100th anniversary, Choi Kou School would like to take this opportunity to express our gratitude to the society! We will always remember and inherit the spirit of the predecessors by learning from the past while creating the future. We will spare no efforts for excellence in next one hundred years by glorifying God and edifying people.

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