



Ms Low Yen Ling

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Member of Parliament, Chua Chu Kang GRC

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Ms Low Yen Ling was elected Member of Parliament for Chua Chu Kang GRC in the 2011 General Election and re-elected in the 2015 General Election. She is the Senior Parliamentary Secretary for the Ministry of Education (MOE) and the Ministry of Trade and Industry (MTI). She has also been Mayor for the South West District since May 2014.

Ms Low began her career in the private sector with experience in financial institutions and start-up venture. Thereafter, she joined the Singapore Economic Development Board (EDB) and in her decade of service, played a key role in strengthening Singapore's entrepreneurial landscape and professional services sector. In 2011, she became Chief Executive Officer of Business China, an organisation nurturing Chinese biculturalism, bilingualism and collaboration with China, she spearheaded unique programmes to immerse high-potential leaders in China and deepen young Singaporeans' knowledge of modern China.

With her strong bicultural and bilingual background, Ms Low currently leads MOE's efforts to strengthen the children's foundation in learning the Chinese language. Ms Low serves as Chairman of the Committee to Promote Chinese Language Learning (CPCLL) and Vice-Chairperson of the Lee Kuan Yew Fund for Bilingualism from November 2015. She is also Advisor to the Singapore Centre for Chinese Language Limited (SCCL). Under her guidance, the CPCLL and SCCL have introduced experiential learning through outdoor journeys and interactions to engage pre-schoolers and encourage them to use their mother tongue. A new educational TV show was created and aired to spark the young learners' curiosity and love for the Chinese language.

Ms Low is a board member of the Chinese Development Assistance Council and steers its Student and Parent Education Committee that has expanded its reach and support to underprivileged students and families.

In her role as Senior Parliamentary Secretary in MTI and MOE, Ms Low spearheads the drive to improve communications and public awareness of SkillsFuture, the national movement to develop Singaporeans to their fullest potential through skills mastery and lifelong learning.

As Parliamentary Secretary of the Ministry of Social and Family Development, Ms Low led the delegation to the 2014 APEC (Women and Economy Forum) Meeting in Beijing. She represented Singapore to ratify the OPAC (Optional Protocol to the Convention of the Rights of the Children On the Involvement of Children in Armed Conflict) at the United Nations' 67th session of the Committee on the Rights of a Child. An ardent support of families, she co-chaired the organising committee of the 2012 and 2013 National Family Celebrations.

During her tenure as Parliamentary Secretary of the Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth, Ms Low supported Team Singapore's participation in the 2015 SEA Games, and guided the Youth Corps' efforts to effect positive change for society.

As a mother of two school-going children, Ms Low spends the free time she has mostly with her family.

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