**Engaging With Youth** 

Case in Korean Wikipedia

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#### Timeline of this session.

- Why Engaging with Youth is important?
- Initiatives what Korean community is doing
- Open discussion





### **Background**

- Many people transitioned to online activities due to pandemic, Korean Wikipedia received a large number new of users.
- Using Wikipedia as a knowledge platform to applications for young people
- New main page, how they recognize our community space (like Village Pump)

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#### 위키백과

우리 모두가 만들어가는 자유 백과사전



#### 사랑빙

다른 분들과 의견을 교환해봐요!



#### 질문방

지침으로 해소되지 않는 의문을 풀어봐요!

사용자 모임

### Diversity, Collaboration, Future





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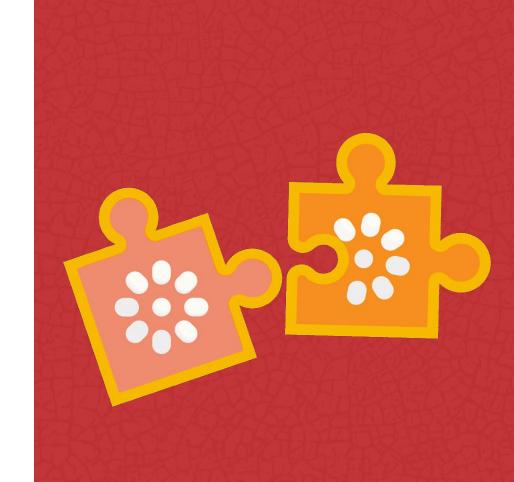
# Importance of Youth engagement

Necessary to maintain the sustainability of the Wikimedia movement.

Reflect the cultures and influences of diverse generations, and everyone must collaborate each other.

Community needs to create an inclusive and supportive atmosphere regardless of their identify.

## **Understanding their culture**



# Let's motivate youth.

#### **Engagements**

- Improve/Reorganize existing resources
  - Create and Re-structure help and guideline pages.
- Efforts to communicate directly with youth users (regardless of method)
- Student Camp: Dedicated page for new youth users
  - Dedicated village pump (temporary solution)





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- 사용자 권한 신청은 충분한 경험이 있는 사용자가 권한을 신청하는 곳입니다. 권한을 신청하기 전, 사용자 권한 신청하기에 대한 조언을 읽고 자신이 정말 권한 신청을 해야 하는지 신중하게 생각해주세요.
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#### **Engagements**

 Encourage them to do what they want to do and support them behind the scenes.







## **Working with Local affiliate**

- Initiatives/programs for Youth
  - WikiTambang.
  - Collaborate with other Youth Agencies.
  - Can plan their own Wikimedia activities.
- Understand the culture youth through frequent meetings.
- Utilize volunteer hours what students necessarily need.





## "위키탐방" Wikitambang

- Improving media by visiting various places in Seoul.
- 3 Sessions held, 6~10 users participate in each session.
- Goal to enhance photos and articles in areas
  lacking media in Seoul
- Lots of new Youth users participated as well as experienced users.



## Collaboration with Local organizations

- WMKR's Collaboration with school and local Youth agencies
- TODO: utilizing Wikipedia in school (guide for teachers)

# Leading Youth user as productive community member

"I think the is a valuable experience is literacy and writing skills that come from contributing Wikimedia Movement, and the feeling of being able to help others with the knowledge I have.

In order to increase the influx of student users, who are the future assets of Wikipedia, I would like to see more educational programs for student users, and help at their level."

- User:기나ㅏㄴ



# Leading Youth user as productive community member

"As a student, it's great opportunity to gain a variety of knowledge and experiences that can't get from school.

I also think it's positive that there are programs for young people in these days, and I hope that more and more young people will join Wikimedia movement in the future."

- User:Whitetiger



#### **Achievements**

- New community members
  - 5+ administrators elected from Youth age group.
  - One user recently awarded Wikimedian of Year (in Korean community)
  - o Actively working on content development (editing).
  - Hosting/proposing edit-a-tones.





### Challenges

- Post COVID, decreased influx of new users
- Still not user-friendly environment
  - Need to improve (shortened) policy, help page to more readable.
- Lack of knowledge about wiki(movement) and free knowledge
- Changing trends among Korean and Youth
- Big competitor: 나무위키 (Namuwiki)





## Quick Open Discussion

Let's share your experiences with others:

- Challenges to engaging with youth in your community.
- Current / Future initiatives targeting youth in your local community
- How your community supporting youth?





