

Education Bureau holds first territory-wide primary schools quiz on Chinese history and culture and secondary school of the year award

The Education Bureau (EDB) issued circular memoranda today (February 22) to invite primary schools to join "Take a Spark, Pass it on: The First Territory-wide Primary Schools Quiz Competition on Chinese History and Culture" and invite secondary schools to join the "Inheritance & Innovation: School of the Year Award for Promoting Chinese History and Culture" in a bid to deepen students' understanding of Chinese history and culture and to cultivate an active learning atmosphere.

A spokesman for the EDB said, "The EDB has all along been adopting multi-pronged strategies, including organising various large scale activities to enhance students' interests in learning Chinese history and culture. 'Take a Spark, Pass it on: The First Territory-wide Primary Schools Quiz Competition on Chinese History and Culture' will not only strengthen students' understanding of Chinese history and culture, but also enable them to pass on the magnificent Chinese culture, and to exude a love for Hong Kong, a sense of national identity and an international perspective."

The spokesman added that the contest comprises preliminary, semi-final and final stages targeting Primary Four to Six students. Each primary school may nominate a minimum of 20 students for the preliminary stage of the competition, which will be held online from April to May. The semi-final and final stages will be held at a television station from June to July.

The quiz competition is co-organised by the Academy of Chinese Studies. The EDB is pleased to have renowned experts serving as academic consultants with school councils and principal associations as supporting organisations.

In addition to the champion, first runner-up and second runner-up, there will be "18 Districts Outstanding Achievement Awards" and "Schools with Greatest Participation" to encourage more schools to take part in the event. The winners will be presented with trophies, certificates, books coupons, and more.

To help students learn more about Chinese history and culture, a series of reference materials, which suit the reading level of primary students, will be uploaded to the competition website. Schools can visit the EDB "Educational Multimedia" for reference (emm.edcity.hk/playlist/1_xnkwxlfp/0_a01h4st4) (Chinese only).

Applications for the first territory-wide primary schools quiz competition on Chinese history and culture are open for enrolment until March

19. For details, please visit the event website (fireflies.chiculture.org.hk/competition) (Chinese only).

As for secondary schools, the objective of "Inheritance & Innovation: School of the Year Award for Promoting Chinese History and Culture" is to encourage students to learn Chinese history and culture through self-directed learning and e-learning, as well as to reward and recognise the active participation of schools, teachers and students in promoting Chinese history and culture.

The spokesman said, in line with the implementation of the newly revised curriculum of junior secondary Chinese History, the EDB has consolidated the existing online teaching materials and launched the "Chinese History Student Self-learning Platform" in this school year. Student activities, including "A Taste of Chinese history and culture" competition and "Decoding Chinese history" creative video competition are being held to help secondary school students learn Chinese history and culture in a lively way.

Schools that have participated in the self-learning platform and student activities will qualify for competing in the School of the Year Award. A separate application is not necessary. The 10 schools with the highest scores will be presented with the "School of the Year Award for Actively Promoting Chinese History and Culture".

For details on the self-learning platform and student activities, please visit the EDB website (www.chist-elearning.org/index_student.php) (Chinese only).