



11th November, 2013

Dear Principal/Biology Teachers,

Hong Kong Biology Olympiad for Secondary Schools (2013/2014)

In order to further promote the learning morals in studying the current Senior Secondary Biology Curriculum, the Hong Kong Association for Science and Mathematics Education (HKASME) will organize the above captioned event. Students of your school are now strongly encouraged to participate. Details are described as follows:

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| Aims | <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) To stimulate students' active interest in Biology,(b) To challenge and expand their talents,(c) To enhance their scientific literacy through promoting the learning of Ideas about Science (i.e. Nature of Science, Scientific Inquiry and Science-Technology-Society-Environment Connections). |
| Rules | <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) Each school can nominate team(s) of <u>FIVE</u> students.(b) The students can be in S4/S5/S6 in the year of 2013-2014.(c) Each student participant attends a <u>1-hour test</u> with 60 multiple-choice questions held on <u>December 21, 2013 (Saturday)</u> and completes the assessment <u>INDIVIDUALLY</u>.(d) The test consists of questions related to four areas in Biology: (i) scientific inquiry (20%), (ii) nature of science (20%), (iii) science, technology, social & environment connection (20%), and (iv) content knowledge (40%). The scopes of these four areas covered are referred to the <u>COMMON</u> parts shared by HKDSE Biology and HKDSE Combined Science (Biology).(e) Questions are set in both <u>Chinese</u> and <u>English</u> versions.(f) HKASME reserves the rights for any amendment made. |
| Academic Advisor | ➤ Dr. YIP, Valerie Wing-yan (Division of Science, Mathematics and Computing, Faculty of Education, The University of Hong Kong) |
| Awards | <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Individual Awards include First, Second and Third Class Awards.➤ Team Awards will be presented to the schools with the mean test scores of the students in a team ranked in the top eight among all participating teams. Meanwhile, school with the highest number of participants will be awarded with Certification of High Participation. |
| Result release | Late January, 2014 |
| Fee | HK\$250 per team (Include administration, marking, analysis report and certificates) |
| Deadline of Application | <u>November 30, 2013</u>
(Detailed arrangement of the Olympiad will be notified via email shortly after this day) |
| Enquiries | Enquiries regarding the Olympiad may be directed to Miss CHU of HKASME at 2333 0096 |

Attached please find the application form. Grateful if it is completed, returned together with a cheque of an appropriate amount, crossed and payable to "HKASME LTD", to us by 30th November, 2013.

Yours faithfully,
HKASME

Application Form

(Deadline: 30th November 2013)

Hong Kong Association for Science and Mathematics Education

Room 114, 1/F, Po On Court

1-15 Po On Road, Sham Shui Po, Kowloon

(Fax no.: 2333 3355)

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I nominate _____ team[†] (s) to participate.

Responsible Teacher:

Dr/Mr/Ms* _____ E-mail: _____ Tel: _____

** Please delete whichever is inappropriate*

Signature of Principal : _____

Name of Principal : _____

School : _____

Tel. No. : _____

Fax No. : _____

Date : _____

Participating Team †

(Please copy if more than one team apply)

Team (1 / ____) [#]		
Class	Name	
	English (in block letters)	Medium of paper
		*Chinese / English
		*Chinese / English
		*Chinese / English
		*Chinese / English
		*Chinese / English
E-mail of team leader:		

† Each team comprises 5 Secondary 4-6 students

Please circle/write the **number** of team.

* Please delete whichever is inappropriate