

香港資優教育學院
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Press Release

HK triumphs in International Physics Olympiad 2010

Five secondary students, representing Hong Kong at the 41st International Physics Olympiad (IPhO) in Croatia, proudly returned home today (July 26) with one gold, one silver and three bronze medals.

This is the seventh year for Hong Kong students to have participated in this Olympiad since 2004, and the fifth team to win gold after successes in 2004, 2005, 2008 and 2009.

Silver medalist Andy Loo (St. Paul's Co-educational College), a Secondary Four student, is the youngest contestant ever representing Hong Kong in the IPhO. Contestants of the Olympiad are usually Secondary Six (S6) students or those just under the age of 20 from different countries/regions. It is very rare that a student at younger age achieved such a good result.

Gold medalist Ma Han-son, Jonathan (S6, Sing Yin Secondary School) was previously awarded first prize in the Pan-Pearl River Delta Physics Olympiad held in Feb 2010.

The Bronze medalists are S6 students Tang Wai-ho (Baptist Wing Lung Secondary School), Tsang Hok-kan (Shun Tak Fraternal Association Leung Kau Kui College) and Leung Yik-lok, Laurence (King's College).

The good results this year mark the success of co-operation among The Hong Kong Academy for Gifted Education (HKAGE), the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (HKUST) and the Education Bureau (EDB). The students are trainees of the Physics Enhancement Programme commissioned to HKUST by The HKAGE. With outstanding performances in the Hong Kong Physics Olympiad 2009, they were selected to take part in a series of enhancement courses before taking part in the IPhO 2010. The delegates' trip was funded by the EDB.



(Left to Right) Observers: Mr YUNG Lit-Hung, Mr DIK Wai-yin; Deputy Leader: Prof DU Sheng-wang;
Members: LEUNG Laurence Yik Lok, TSANG Hok Kan, MA Jonathan Han Son, LOO Andy, TANG Wai Ho;
Leader: Prof CHEN Tian-wen; Observer: Mr. LEUNG Ka-hei

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The IPhO this year was held from July 17 to 25 in Zagreb, Croatia, with about 400 contestants from around 82 countries/regions participating. The event is aimed at promoting education in physics, strengthening interaction and co-operation among experts in physics worldwide and training and inspiring teenagers who had enormous potential in physics.

Leader of the Hong Kong Team was Prof Chen Tian-wen of HKUST, and deputy leader was Prof Du Sheng-wang of HKUST. Physics teachers, Mr Yung Lit-hung and Mr Dik Wai-yin, from Sing Yin Secondary school and Law Ting Pong Secondary school respectively, and Mr. Leung Ka-hei of HKUST served as the observers.

The list of Hong Kong student team members is as follows:

Name	Sex	Level	School	Award
MA Han Son, Jonathan	M	S6	SING YIN SECONDARY SCHOOL	Gold
LOO Andy	M	S4	ST. PAUL'S CO-EDUCATIONAL COLLEGE	Silver
TANG Wai Ho	M	S6	BAPTIST WING LUNG SECONDARY SCHOOL	Bronze
TSANG Hok Kan	M	S6	SHUN TAK FRATERNAL ASSOCIATION LEUNG KAU KUI COLLEGE	Bronze
LEUNG Yik Lok, Laurence	M	S6	KING'S COLLEGE	Bronze

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