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**The Hong Kong Academy for Gifted Education**

新聞稿

**Press Release****HK students achieve the ever best results in Asian Physics Olympiad**

A team of 8 student members of The Hong Kong Academy for Gifted Education (HKAGE) has achieved the best results in the Asian Physics Olympiad (APhO), bringing home one gold medal and five honorable mentions in the APhO 2011. It was the first gold for Hong Kong in the event. The competition was held between May 1 and 9 in Tel Aviv, Israel.

The gold medalist, Cheung Hil-fung Harry is from Diocesan Boys' School. A Secondary 4 student, he was one of the students achieving the top 3 highest scores in the Hong Kong Physics Olympiad (HKPhO) 2010 and he was also the Best Contestant in the 7th Pan-Pearl River Delta and Chinese Elite Schools Physics Olympiad 2011. In the APhO 2011, he was the first Hong Kong team member to stand out amongst the top 16 out of 130 contestants to grab the gold medal.

The five HK students with honorable mentions were WONG Yu-fu (Secondary 5, SKH Tsang Shiu Tim Secondary School), WONG Yuk-fai (Secondary 5, Shun Tak Fraternal Association Leung Kau Kui College), LEUNG Siu-kwan (Secondary 6, Po Leung Kuk No.1 W.H. Cheung College), LOO Andy (Secondary 5, St Paul's Co-educational College) and CHAU Tsz-ki (Secondary 6, CNEC Christian College). TAM Ka Long (Secondary 6, Wa Ying College) and WONG Kim Cheong (Secondary 6, Fukien Secondary School) were the remaining two members of the Hong Kong team.

"As the APhO is contested by young elite physicists, the outstanding achievement of the Hong Kong Team in such a competitive contest is worthy of praise," the Chief Curriculum Officer (Gifted Education) of the Education Bureau (EDB), Mr Chan Pui-tin, said.

Dr Stephen Tommis, the Executive Director of the HKAGE, said that Harry Cheung has shown what hard work and persistence can achieve. Ability alone is often not enough to guarantee success. He also thanked all the organizations and trainers who had so effectively contributed to this success.

The EDB, the HKAGE, the Physical Society of Hong Kong and Hong Kong Physics Olympiad Committee jointly organised HKPhO 2010 last year. The HKAGE then provided follow-on physics enhancement programmes for the high-achieving contestants. All the tutors are HKUST Physics professors. The 8 Hong Kong Team members have undergone the 9-month, 4-stage physics enhancement programmes.

APhO aims at promoting Physics education and the spirit of communication and cooperation among the learning communities, and nurture and encourage students who are gifted in Physics.

The leader of Hong Kong Team was Prof. Yang Zhi Yu (HKUST), with Dr. Ng Shiu Cho (Fukien Secondary School) as the deputy leader. Mr. Ma Guancong (HKUST) and Ms. Chan Hoi Sze (Pui Shing Catholic Secondary School) were the observers.

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