

Hong Kong Schools Mathematics & Math Olympiad Elite Competition 2023

Secondary Contestants Competition Guidelines

Date:	9 th December 2023 (Saturday)
Time Slots:	<u>Secondary</u> Time slot (3p.m. – 6p.m.) Please refer to the competition admission email on 1 st December 2023 for the exact time and the reporting time.
Competition Duration:	Total 45 Minutes (Test duration is 40 minutes)
Participation Certificate:	Every contestant will receive a 'Certificate of Participation' on the day of competition. The competition result will be released on both our official website and Facebook on 11 th January 2024 (Thursday) and the winners will receive 'Award Certificate' .
Awards:	Contestants with the highest total score in each group will be awarded 1 st prize, 2 nd prize, 3 rd prize or 4 th prize (including certificate and trophy). Additionally, to encourage active participation and boost contestants' confidence, individuals with outstanding performance in each group will receive: Gold medal and certificate: scoring top 10% of the group Silver medal and certificate: scoring top 25% of the group Bronze medal and certificate: scoring top 40% of the group Note: Contestants need to attain certain score to be awarded the above medals.
Competition Format and Language:	Written Tests (Chinese and English bilingual test papers).
Scope of Competition:	Mathematics questions for secondary contestants are based on Hong Kong Secondary Mathematics course guidelines of the first term of this academic year (2023/24 academic year). The questions are designed to test their basic mathematics knowledge. There is no Mathematical Olympiad for S1 to S5 contestants.

- Eligibility:** Students must register according to their year of study in the **2023/24 academic year**. For cross grade competition, students can only register to compete with a higher grade but not the lower grade. Violators will be disqualified. Contestants from international schools please check on the school systems year/grade chart with the Association staff before register.
- Competition Admission:**
1. Competition admission will be sent to all contestants via email on 1st December (Friday). The contestants should contact the Association as soon as possible if they have not received the admission 5 days before the competition day.
 2. Please note that a contestant without a competition admission who notifies the Association after the competition will not be able to retake the competition.
- Competition Arrangement:**
1. Contestants must prepare a hard copy of the competition admission, a photo and proof of document that clearly states their date of birth and the year of study (ID card, student card or student handbook) and present them on the competition day for verification.
 2. Contestants are not allowed to leave until the competition is over, except for special circumstances.
 3. Contestants must bring their own pencils and erasers for the sake of personal hygiene.
 4. **Only S3 to S5 Contestants** are allowed to use calculators with 「H.K.E.A.A. APPROVED」 or 「H.K.E.A. APPROVED」. Other groups of contestants are not allowed to use any calculation tool during the competition.
 5. **No** smart phones or other electronic devices (tablet computers, smart watches that have applications installed or a capacity of wireless connection) are allowed during the competition. Contestants with these devices must turn them off and put them in the bags during the competition. Otherwise, they may be disqualified.
 6. Contestants are not allowed to talk or joke with others during the competition, neither are they allowed to interrupt others. Otherwise, they may be disqualified.
 7. Contestants will not have their test papers back. The Association has the final decision over the competition results.
 8. Dismissal arrangement: Contestants who are S1 or above are allowed to

leave on their own and do not need to go through any procedure.

Arrangements
for Absentees:

1. Contestants who are unable to attend the competition due to sickness will need to send a medical certificate via email within 7 days after the competition. Late submission will be dismissed. With valid medical proof, the Association will arrange for that particular contestant to participate in the following competition in April 2024. Such arrangement will be made only once for each contestant.
2. Other reasons of absence will not be accepted unless there is a reasonable explanation. Please contact us through WhatsApp for further inquiries. An administration fee of \$50 will be charged for application of deferral (Such exceptional arrangement will be made only once for each contestant.)

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Weather
Conditions:

1. If the Hong Kong Observatory has predicted or already issued the following weather warning before 8 a.m., the competition of that whole day will be postponed.
 - Tropical Cyclone Warning Signal No. 8 or above
2. The competition will be conducted as scheduled 3 hours after the following adverse weather warnings are lifted before 8 a.m. While the affected competition will be rescheduled later in the day. Affected contestants and their parents should contact the Association on WhatsApp or by phone for further arrangements.
 - Tropical Cyclone Warning Signal No. 8
 - Black Rainstorm Warning Signal

e.g. If the Hong Kong Observatory cancelled the above warnings at 7:30 a.m., the competition at 10:30 and onwards will be conducted as normal. Competition during Tropical Cyclone Warning Signal No. 8 is issued which will continue. The remaining competition of the day will be rescheduled.

Notes :

- The competition arrangement may differ from that of the Education Bureau. Please refer the Association's guidelines only for the competition.
3. The Association will not notify contestants individually regarding the arrangements, please check out our Facebook page or contact the Association via Phone/WhatsApp at: 6677 3194.

- Other Terms and Conditions:
1. Payments that are already made are not refundable.
 2. The Association reserves the right of the final decision in respect of all disputes concerning the competition.
 3. Both of the contestants' Chinese and English name, as well as their school names will be shown in the announcement of the competition result. For those who do not wish to have their school names shown, please contact the Association in advance.
 4. The Association can use any photos or videos taken during the competition, training or award ceremony for future promotional purposes without having to ask for parents' consent or paying any fees.
 5. Submission of competition application implies that the contestants and the parents have read and agreed to the Association's competition guidelines.

Personal Data Collection Statement

Hong Kong Child Mathematics Association is committed to full implementation and compliance with the relevant provisions of the Hong Kong Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance in handling your personal data. If you wish to register for HKCMA's activity, please provide the personal data as requested and ensure that it is complete and accurate. The data collected will be retained until the relevant use of the requested data has been completed. Some of the personal data requested is required for the stated purpose but some may be voluntary. Voluntary data will be specified in the collection form as appropriate.

With your prescribed consent or indication of no objection, data collected (such as name, contact details) will be retained and used for communication, course/event promotion or other directly related purposes of HKCMA in future. Your personal data held by HKCMA will be kept confidential, but it may be shared with appropriate parties and personnel of the association for the purposes stated above.

Under the Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance of Hong Kong, you have the right to request access to and correction of your personal data held by HKCMA. Requests for data access can be made by filling out a Data Access Request Form OPS003 (revised 03/2019) specified by the Privacy Commissioner for Personal Data, and follow-up data correction requests can be made in writing via email: info@hkmaths.org.