#### **Co-organizers**

- Centre for University & School Partnership, Faculty of Education, The Chinese University of Hong Kong
- Department of Curriculum and Instruction, Faculty of Education, The Chinese University of Hong Kong

# 2023 Territory-wide Young Children's English Singing Contest

#### (1) **Objectives:**

- To create a language-rich and joyful atmosphere for young children to learn English through singing nursery rhymes.
- To promote effective English learning strategies so as to enhance young children's confidence and competence in using English.
- To raise young children's interest in singing English nursery rhymes.
- (2) Contestants: Children from kindergartens, nurseries and child care centres in Hong Kong
- (3) Submission of entry form: Fax or post the completed entry form to the corresponding Tung Wah Group of Hospitals (TWGHs) primary school in your district. Please refer to the table below.
- (4) Closing Date for Application: 14<sup>th</sup> October 2022 (Friday)
- (5) **Date of Preliminaries:** 19<sup>th</sup> November 2022 (Saturday)

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(6) Venue of Preliminaries: The preliminaries will be held in 9 different districts. The Gold Award winner from each district will enter the final competition. The district is divided in accordance with the registration address of the kindergarten.

No.	District	Venue of Preliminaries	Address	Telephone	Fax
	Hong Kong Eastern District and Wanchai District	TWGHs Li Chi Ho Primary School	280 Queen's Road East, Wan Chai, HK	2575 0470	2834 8141
2.	Hong Kong Central District, Southern and Western Districts	TWGHs Hok Shan School	5 Wah Lam Path, Wah Fu Estate, HK	2551 1142	2551 7151
3.	Kowloon Central and West (including Yau Tsim Mong, Sham Shui Po & Kowloon City)	TWGHs Lo Yu Chik Primary School	51 Pitt Street, Yaumatei, Kowloon	2780 0039	2384 1605
4.	Kowloon East and Sai Kung (including Tseung Kwan O, Kwun Tong & Wong Tai Sin)	TWGHs Wong Yee Jar Jat Memorial Primary School	8 Hok Lam Lane, Tseung Kwan O, NT	2706 1336	2706 9336
5.	Yuen Long (including Tin Shui Wai)	TWGHs Yiu Dak Chi Memorial Primary School(Yuen Long)	Estate Primary School, Tin Shui Estate, Phase I, Tin Shui Wai, NT	2445 1168	2445 1358
6.	Tuen Mun	TWGHs Tang Shiu Kin Primary School	On Ting Estate, Tuen Mun, NT	2403 0311	2459 7235
7.	Kwai Tsing & Tsuen Wan	TWGHs Chow Yin Sum Primary School	8 Tsing Chin Street, Tsing Yi, NT	2433 1081	2433 1091
8.	Shatin	TWGHs Sin Chu Wan Primary School	38 Chik Fuk Street, Tai Wai, Shatin, NT	2694 9272	2602 7661
9.	Northern District & Tai Po	TWGHs Hong Kong and Kowloon Electrical Appliances Merchants Association Limited School	2 Chi Cheung Street, Sheung Shui, NT	2672 3285	2673 7741

- (7) Date of Final Competition: 11<sup>th</sup> February 2023 (Saturday) 9:00a.m.
- (8) Venue of Final Competition: TWGHs Wong Yee Jar Jat Memorial Primary School

#### (9) Consultants:

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#### (10) Adjudicators in the Final Competition:

- Ms. LAM Ka Yan, Rebecca Curriculum Development Officer (Music), Education Bureau
- Ms. CHAN Kam Hon, Sylvia School Development Officer, Centre for University and School Partnership, Faculty of Education, The Chinese University of Hong Kong
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#### (11) Prizes:

#### 1. Preliminaries

A Gold Award, Silver Award, Bronze Award and Merits Awards will be awarded in the preliminary of each district. The Gold Award winner will enter the Final Competition.

An Outstanding Participation Award will be given to the schools which have participated in this Contest for 5 years, 10 years and 15 years in recognition of their active participation.

#### 2. Final Competition

The following awards will be presented:

- The Overall Champion
- The First runner-up
- The Second runner-up

#### (12) Regulations:

- 1. For Preliminaries, each school can select an English song from the list provided or choose its own song. Each performance should not exceed 4 minutes. No medley is allowed. Marks will be deducted if the performance exceeds the time limit.
- 2. In the Final Competition, two songs will be performed. One must be from the provided song list, while the other one could be any song of your choice. No medley is allowed. The performance should not exceed 8 minutes. Marks will be deducted if the performance exceeds the time limit.
- \*3. Each school is limited to one entry. Each performance group should consist of at least five children but not more than 35 children.
- \*4. In response to the current situation of the Covid-19 pandemic, the preliminaries and the final competition of this year will be conducted in a video format, and each participating school must submit a performance video to the Organizer (Please refer to appendix 1 for "Notes to Schools regarding Performance Videos in Preliminaries"). Therefore, schools need not to send any representative to attend the preliminaries, and the corresponding Prize-giving Ceremony of the preliminaries will not be held. Nevertheless, preliminaries will continue to be held at the respective venues of each district on the above-mentioned date. There will be adjudicators invited to the preliminaries by the corresponding TWGHs primary school of each district.
  - 5. Contestants can decide their mode of performance, e.g., acapella, accompaniment with musical instruments or instrumental recordings, singing games and rhythmic movements, etc.
  - 6. Lyrics and music scores of the selected song should be submitted together with the entry form.
  - 7. The Organizer reserves the final rights to amend, extend and interpret any of the rules.

#### (13) Assessment Criteria:

English (50%), Music (50%)

#### (14) Announcement of Results:

The results of Preliminaries will be announced to contestants by email and fax on or before 21<sup>st</sup> November, 2022 (Monday).

#### (15) Notes for Contestants:

- 1. The application will be acknowledged and the entry list will be confirmed by the corresponding Tung Wah Group of Hospitals (TWGHs) primary school in your district within two weeks after the application submission deadline.
- 2. No rehearsals will be arranged for either the preliminaries or final competition. The screening order of the performance videos of each participating school in the preliminaries will be announced by email and fax no later than 4<sup>th</sup> November 2022 (Friday).
- 3. The Organizer will film the Competitions and broadcast it on their school website afterwards. Kindergartens, nurseries and child care centres participating in the Preliminaries and Final Competition are requested to seek prior consent from the parents.

#### (16) Enquiries : Please contact TWGHs Yiu Dak Chi Memorial Primary School (Yuen Long)

at 24451168. Website: http://www.ydc.edu.hk/

\* The revised content of this year in response to the Covid-19 situation.



# 2023 Territory-wide Young Children's English Singing Contest Entry Form

# **School Information**

School Name:	(English)	(Chinese)
School Address:		
Telephone:		School E-mail:
Fax No:		Teacher-in-charge:

# Entry Information (\*Please delete inappropriate items)

Song: School's own choice OR Choice from the List\*

Name of the Song:

(Please paste the music score and lyrics of the song of your choice in the space provided in the APPENDIX and attach to the Entry Form)

Information of Contestants:

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Chinese	English	Chinese	English	Chinese	English	
1.		13.		25.		
2.		14.		26.		
3.		15.		27.		
4.		16.		28.		
5.		17.		29.		
6.		18.		30.		
7.		19.		31.		
8.		20.		32.		
9.		21.		33.		
10.		22.		34.		
11.		23.		35.		
12.		24.				

School chop

Signature of Principal:

Name of Principal:

Date:

The personal data provided by you will be used by the Tung Wah Group of Hospitals for purposes relating to educational services and other related matters only. The Group will undertake full responsibility for the proper use, disclosure and disposal of data in accordance with the Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance. Please also note that the Group or the media may take photos or video during our contest-related activities and competitions, and the photos or video may appear in the newspaper, media, school magazines or the group's website.

Please paste the music score and lyrics of the song of your choice to the space below. (Applicable to songs not chosen from the List.)

Please reduce the size of the original copy if the music score and lyrics consist of more than one page.

# Notes to Schools regarding Performance Videos in Preliminaries

## **Points to Note:**

- 1. At the beginning of the video, the teacher-in-charge or students should introduce the school name and the song title before they start to perform.
- 2. If there are repeated performances recorded in the video, only the first performance will be evaluated.
- 3. All participating schools must follow the instructions below, failing to do so will result in a disqualification:
  - ☆ The video must be one-shot filmed from the beginning to the end. DO NOT pause the camera(s) while filming.
  - ♦ Audio mixing, video editing or any post-production are NOT allowed.
  - ♦ DO NOT equip the video with any special effects (such as background music, soundtracks, sound effects, images, scripts, use of filters, video transition, colour correction or grading, brightness adjustment and subtitles).
  - ♦ Audio of the video must be captured during the process of filming. Dubbed audio or pre-recorded singing is not acceptable.
- 4. The video must be filmed indoor in a quiet environment with a simple background, and there must be sufficient lighting. DO NOT shoot against the light. The use of virtual or projected background is NOT allowed.
- 5. The shot of video must be static and camera lens should be stabilized while filming. Any Camera movement is NOT allowed.
- 6. The appearance and motions of contestants must be clearly shown in the whole video.
- 7. Schools must ensure that the video is smooth and synchronized with a clear audio source.
- 8. The accompanist(s) must also be present in the video if an accompaniment is needed during performance.
- 9. In view of the current situation of the COVID-19 pandemic, all participating students should wear masks while filming. We also encourage all participating schools and all performers to follow the general hygienic measures made by the Centre for Health Protection of the Government.

## Video Format:

- 1. The resolution of the video must be at least 720p (1280x720).
- 2. The video must be stored in MPV, WMV, MOV or MPG format, and its file size should not exceed 2GB.

#### Submission Method:

All performance videos must be submitted in person in the form of a CD/DVD or USB to the corresponding TWGHs primary school in your district on or before 11 November 2022 (Friday).