

11th Lions International Youth Exchange Scholarship Essay Competition

Theme: Lower Carbon, Greener Future

Fact Sheet

1. **Organizers**
Lions Clubs International, District 303, Hong Kong & Macao, China (<http://www.lionsclubs.org.hk>)
Lions Youth Exchange Foundation (<http://www.lionscollege.edu.hk/camp>)
Lions Club of Kowloon, Hong Kong
Lions Club of Happy Valley, Hong Kong
Lions Club of Braemar Hill, Hong Kong
Lions Club of Central, Hong Kong
Lions Club of Mid-Levels, Hong Kong
Lions College (<http://www.lionscollege.edu.hk>).
Leo District 303, Hong Kong & Macao, China
The Association of English Medium Secondary Schools
The Hong Kong Award for Young People (<http://www.ayp.org.hk>)
2. **Co-Organizer**
Ming Pao Newspaper Limited (<http://www.mingpao.com>)
3. **Supported by**
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Top Green International Limited : TCBY Yogurt (www.tcby.com.hk)
International Academy of Management (www.iam.org.hk)
Well Develop International Limited (www.nextoffice.net)
4. **Objectives**
The Project is :
 - (a) to provide youths with international exposure and an opportunity to improve their communication skills in English;
 - (b) to promote awareness on topical issues; and
 - (c) to build up self-confidence and global vision for world class citizens of the future.
5. **Target**
Form 4-7 students.
6. **Competition**
 - (a) Each applicant shall submit an essay focused on the theme: Lower Carbon, Greener Future.
 - (b) The **essay** shall be of not more than 1000 English words (without using any photos or graphic designs) submitted in WORD format to **youthexchange2011@gmail.com** or by post in a CD to **Lions College, 90 Hing Shing Road, Kwai Fong, Kwai Chung, New Territories, Hong Kong** before 5:00 pm on **Wednesday, 5th January 2011**.
 - (c) Please **extract key sentences** from the essay highlighting the main theme/idea and insert them at the bottom of the last page of the essay.
 - (d) Short-listed applicants shall attend an **interview** to make oral presentation of their essays on or about **Saturday, 29th January 2011**.
 - (e) Finalists will be required to make a power-point presentation in the **Award Presentation Ceremony** on Sunday, **27th February 2011**.
 - (f) Results will be published in Ming Pao in March 2010
 - (g) The decisions of the Organizers are final.

7. **Prizes**
- 1st - 3rd : Full Exchange Scholarship to a city in North America, Europe or Australia decided by the organizer in consultation with the selected scholar with return air ticket included.
 - 4th : Full Exchange Scholarship to Japan Exchange with return air ticket included.
 - 5th - 10th : Full Exchange Scholarship to Taipei or Beijing Exchange with return air ticket included.

An exchange scholarship will be forfeited if an exchange scholar cannot participate in an exchange programme in 2011. In exceptional cases, the Organizers may allow an extension for 1 year.

Additional Gifts to :

Top 10 Finalists :

- (a) Top 10 Award Certificate
- (b) \$500 Satayking Restaurants cash coupon from Satay King (Holding) Co. Ltd.
- (c) NextOffice 9 (Teacher and Student Edition) from Well Develop International Ltd

11th – 50th :

- (a) Certificates of Achievement. Certificate holders will be endorsed to participate at their own costs in any Lions international youth exchange held in about 100 cities worldwide. Priority will be given to them if an international exchange camp is held in Hong Kong. Acceptance to an exchange overseas is subject to final approval of the organizer overseas.
- (b) \$100 Satayking Restaurants cash coupon from Satay King (Holding) Co. Ltd.
- (c) NextOffice 9 (Teacher and Student Edition) from Well Develop International Ltd

8. **Costs**

Each exchange will include a camp with family hosting before and/or after camp. Qualified students will be provided free meal and board during the exchange. Full Exchange Scholarship will, in addition, cover camp registration fee, if any, and return air ticket. Students will bear their other personal expenses for e.g. travel insurance, snacks, souvenirs, personal entertainment, etc.

9. **Duties of Exchange Scholars and Schools**

- (a) An exchange scholar shall attend briefings on exchange.
- (b) An exchange scholar shall provide to the Organizers and his school a report on his exchange within one month after his return.
- (c) The school of an exchange scholar shall provide an opportunity to the scholar to make a public presentation of his prize-winning essay and another opportunity to present his post-exchange report.
- (d) An exchange scholar shall help the Organizers give briefings to future exchange scholars.

10. **Privacy Policy**

The information collected in the Registration Form is for the sole use by the Organizers in the organization of the youth exchange and ancillary programmes. Request for access to and correction of the information provided can be made to the Lions Clubs District Youth Exchange Chairman. The Organizers have the unrestricted right to copy and reproduce in all media and format as they think fit all materials created by the Applicants for this Competition.