

HOMEFRONT SECURITY AMBASSADOR ANIMATION COMPETITION CAMP 2009

Introduction

The Homefront Security Ambassador Animation Competition Camp 2009 to be conducted from 29th October to 1st November 2009 is jointly organised by the Home Team Eastern Sector, Bedok South NPC, Marine Parade NPC, Geylang NPC and supported by the Community Engagement Programme Secretariat, Ministry of Home Affairs. The camp aims to engage students through a thinking process on their understanding of the Homefront Security and Community Engagement issues in their everyday life and how they can express it in a story through animation. Students will thus compete as teams to showcase their creation.

Pre-Competition Programme

2 Before the competition starts, training and related materials will be given to the students. They include:

- Course notes on Homefront Security and Community Engagement
- Talks by the Singapore Police Force (SPF), Singapore Civil Defence Force (SCDF) and Community Engagement Directorate (CED) will be delivered to enhance students' understanding of the programme.
- Animation training will be conducted by professional animation trainers to coach students to create an animation story.

Competition Process

3 Judges for the competition will comprise representatives from the Singapore Police Force (SPF), Singapore Civil Defence Force (SCDF) and Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA).

4 The Judges will view the animations created by the participating teams and will also interview the team members.

5 The judging criteria will be as follows:

- Creativity and Originality – 35%
- Message value – 30%
- Animation Skills – 20%
- Aesthetics – 15%

Rules & Regulations

6 Prior experience or knowledge in animation techniques is **NOT** required as training will be provided during the camp. The rules and regulations are as follows:

- 4 students from each participating school will form 1 team.
- Each participating school must register **teacher-in-charge** as liaison officer for the team **without which, entries from the school will be disqualified**. The teacher-in-charge will be the key point of contact between the organisers, the team, and the school.
- Teachers-in-charge are not allowed to participate in the production phase of the students' animated clips.
- The teams will be assigned with an animation coach who will monitor, mentor and guide the teams the most appropriate production approach based upon the team's story ideas.
- The teams will use **stop-motion animation (paper cut-out)** to produce their work.
- The hardware and software of choice for the competition are:
 - Computers
 - Webcam
 - Stop-Motion Animation Software
- Webcam and stop-motion software will be provided by the organiser. All teams are to create their animated clips using only the software and techniques specified by the organisers.
- The use of **illegitimate/pirated software** at any juncture of the competition is **strictly prohibited**, and provides grounds for the disqualification of the team.
- All pre-production and production work on the animated clips must be performed within the facilities and schedule designated by the organiser, where the progress of all teams can be monitored and mentorship of the team will be provided.
- The teams will be divided to compete in these three categories:
 - Crime Prevention
 - Community Engagement Programme
 - Community Emergency Preparedness Programme
- Participating teams will draw lots on Day 1 of the camp to decide the category they will be working on.

- There will only be one winning team for each category.

Note: It is **compulsory** for participating teams to attend the prescribed training workshops. Attendance is mandatory; reasons for absence deemed unsatisfactory by the organiser may lead to the disqualification of the member or the entire team. It should be understood by each team member that they must be present for the entire duration of the competition.

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