

March 18, 2009

Dear All,

Thank you for your support and hard work, we have already completed many projects in less than three months. Please check out CAAA web site www.caaa-abacus.org for detail.

Here are some more announcements:

- We are pleased to have Professor Diana Kuo (Multicultural Education Research Center) and President Peter Yeh (President of NCACLS) join our advisory board as CAAA 2009 Honorable Advisors. Thanks also go to advisors Ian Suen, Henry Chen, Ruey-Pyng Lu, Patrick Huang, Betty Yuan, Dr. Ming-Yeh Lee, Singing Chen, Theresa Chao, Tina Wu for all of your constant support and help.
- Thank you Gary and Nancy Kwong, our long-time volunteers, for running the script program. We have raised \$1908.00 for the year 2008. Please support us by purchasing the scripts. You can contact Mrs. Nancy Kwong at 408-865-0278 or Email "Kwong Family" <gki@yahoo.com>. (source: Nancy Liu – Finance Dept.)
- We appreciate Advisor Tina Wu's sponsorship of \$1000.00 to the 2009 16th CAAA&Tina Wu Scholarship. With CAAA matching \$1000.00, a total of \$2000.00 will be awarded to students. Please encourage your students to apply for the scholarship.
- We are taking applications for the 7th CAAA Teacher Training Program. Information is posted on the CAAA web site. Please spread the news.
- 2009 Assessment Test Registration, Flyer, Testing Rules and Note to Teachers are posted online. Forms and documents were mailed out or passed on to teachers by Division Presidents or Sally Li. Please distribute them as you can. Please also download the forms for your students and encourage them to participate. Pay special attention to Testing Rules for Abacus grade levels 4, 5, 7 and 8. Changes have been made.

Please mark your calendar for test and awards dates. We invite all of the teachers to participate in this CAAA Annual Events. Please also announce the events to your students' parents so they can reserve the dates.

Registration: now to April 15.

Test Dates: Midwest: Friday, May 15 and Saturday, May 16

Southern Cal: Saturday, May 16

Southeast: Saturday, May 16

Northern Cal: Sunday, May 17

Awards Ceremonies: Midwest: Friday, June 5

Southern Cal: Saturday, June 6

Southeast: Saturday, June 6 (to confirm)

Northern Cal: Sunday, June 7

- Our appreciation to the Math test team lead by Ms. Shioh-Jy Hsieh, Ms. Annie Yang and Ms. Carolyn An with the help of Kay Yang, Patty Yang, George Kwong, Audrey Chi and Sandy Liu.
Ms. Jenny Lin has distributed abacus and mental test from last year to all the teachers. Thanks!
- CAAA Summer Activities:

A. 2009 World City Cup – Abacus, Mental Arithmetic & Mathematics

Competition

1. Sponsored by: International Abacus Mental H. K. Development
2. Date: August 2, 2009
3. Location: Hong Kong
4. Competition Categories: Abacus, Mental Arithmetic and Mathematics.
5. Prerequisite for Student Registration: Minimum level 5 in the CAAA Annual Assessment Test.

**Ms. An will lead the CAAA Team. Please contact Ms. An by phone or email as soon as possible if you are interested to participate, so airline tickets can be secured.

B. 2009 International Mental Arithmetic Invitational Competition

1. Sponsored by: Taiwan Chamber of Commerce
2. Dates: August 9, 2009
3. Location: Taiwan
4. Competition Categories: Mental Arithmetic.
5. Prerequisite for Student Registration: Minimum level 3 and up in the CAAA Annual Assessment Test.

**CAAA Team will be lead by Ms. Hsieh. Please contact her asap if you are interested.

C. 2009 World Abacus Mental Arithmetic Association Mental Arithmetic

Competition

1. Sponsored by: World Abacus Mental Arithmetic Association
2. Dates: August 15-16, 2009
3. Location: China (Tien Jing)
4. Competition Categories: Mental Arithmetic.
5. Prerequisite for Student Registration: a) Advanced level in the CAAA Annual Assessment Test; and b) Review and approval by CAAA.

**CAAA Team will be lead by Ms. Huang. Please contact her asap if you are interested.

Information on all three activities is posted on the CAAA Web Site. Thanks to Advisor Ian Suen. Please look it up on www.caaa-abacus.org.

- **Congratulations to ~**
- Advisor Theresa Chao for being elected President of Southern California Council of Chinese Schools.
- Mrs.Fung-Mei Yang, former President CAAA, NC for her new restaurant in Fremont.
- Ms. Shiow-Jy Hsieh, present President of CAAA, NC for the completion of her new residence.
- Mrs. Carol Yeh for being elected President of Distinguished Citizens Society of San Francisco.
- Ms. Sammi Kuo for having a new baby - Ian!

Best Regards,

Huey-Chiang Huang
President, CAAA

**Please see attached files for 2009 CAAA Activities and New Testing Rules.