



# Competitions and Award Schemes



## HKFYG English Public Speaking Contest



The HKFYG English Public Speaking Contest, a flagship programme under the HSBC Future Skills Development Project, provides a platform for young people to develop their English language public speaking competencies, critical thinking and effectual communication skills.

The Contest 2020, as part of the Speaking Studio, attracted more than 1,500 entrants from over 130 secondary schools.

Despite the unprecedented challenges of social distancing, the training, preliminary round and district finals were smoothly conducted online enabling contestants to polish their public speaking skills in different scenarios. The Grand Finals and Awards Ceremony welcomed both on-site and virtual audiences with Ms. Winnie Tam Wan-chi, SC, JP, Chairman of the Communications Authority as the Guest of Honour. Ms. Wendy Mak from Good Hope School, in her first attempt, won the Senior Division Championship. Winners of the Contest were invited to join The Sir Ti Liang Yang English Language Ambassadors Outreach Programme to promote the joy of English public speaking and language learning through peer sharing.



## Innovation and Technology Scholarship Award Scheme



For the past ten years, 250 young talents in the fields of science, engineering and health-related studies have participated in the Innovation and Technology Scholarship.

Supported and sponsored by the Innovation and Technology Commission and HSBC, 25 awardees each receive a maximum scholarship of HK\$150,000 to take part in a series of elite training opportunities through the Overseas/Mainland Attachments, Mentorships, Local Internships and Service Projects.

This year, the Scholarship also supported undergraduates to further their studies at renowned institutions such as the University of Cambridge, the University of Oxford, the University of California, Berkeley, the University of Edinburgh and the University of Copenhagen. They were also able to intern in different technology corporations and government departments.

Over the years, over 69% of graduate awardees have either set up their own technology businesses or are working in the innovation and technology industries, while another 24% are enrolled in postgraduate studies.

In parallel with the Scholarship, the Innovation and Technology Scholarship Alumni Association offers a platform to all scholarship recipients to make social contributions through knowledge exchange and promoting science and technology in schools and the community.

