

New Hope of Education

National Nanke International Experimental High School (NNKIEH) in School Year 2009 had 82 classes including 42 in the Elementary Department, 23 in the Junior High Department, six in the Senior High Department and 11 in the Bilingual Department for a total of 2,214 students. NNKIEH combines the STSP, social resources and an innovative teaching model that focuses on science education based on humanitarian ideals in order to develop itself into a visionary international benchmark school.

Borderless Exchanges and Learning

Exchanges with the US High Schools to Cultivate International Vision

To strengthen language skills and facilitate the international cultural experiences of students, NNKIEH conducted bilateral exchanges with Hannibal High School in Missouri, USA since 2007. In the summer of 2009, Principle Dai Hsuchang accompanied the 10 first recruited high school students as well as teachers and other students from Taipei Municipal Dali High School to the US on July 27 to participate in serial exchange activities based on the theme of "Taiwanese art and culture" including an annual art festival in Hannibal city. Students prepared cultural and creative booth stands featuring art, children toys, food, and festival activities that represent Taiwan, provided cultural experience, and performed martial arts and aboriginal dancing that was highly praised by the participants and covered by US media.

Reaction to natural disasters and participation in the International Youth Summit

The 2009 Natural Disaster Youth Summit (NDYS) was held on March 14, 2009 at the National Science and Technology Museum. Principle Dai Hsuchang led eight First-Year students from the Senior High Department of NNKIEH and participated in two sessions. The Summit had about 400 students from Indonesia, Australia, Japan, and Turkey who gave separate group reports on disaster prevention. NNKIEH students talked about "typhoons" and "earthquakes" and compiled an electronic security map to share with their peers information on different disaster experiences and solutions.

First Performance of the German Stuttgarter Musikschule Junges Kammerorchester at the STSP organized by the NNKIEH

The German Stuttgarter Musikschule Junges Kammerorchester visited Taiwan in August 2009 and had four tour performances. The first one was at the STSP on August 4 and the NNKIEH was in charge of reception and performance organization. The Wind Band from the Elementary Department of the NNKIEH also performed. The wonderful musical performance was a hit and the reception and organization by the NNKIEH won over the heart of German visiting musicians.

Outstanding Contest Results

2009 AMC 10 Math Test, Outstanding Performance

In February 2009, 44 NNKIEH first-year students from the Senior High Department participated in the prominent AMC 10 math test hosted by Mathematical Association of America and 11 of them earned a score of 120 (out of 150) and up and were awarded with honorary certificates. Huang Yuying was awarded with an excellence certificate with a score of 141. Compared with the average award certification rate in Taiwan, 10.3% (with the participation of 6,447 students and certification for 669 participants), the NNKIEH demonstrated the highest certification rate of 25%.



The First Stop in the US, Picnic at the Gateway Arch, Saint Louis (July 27, 2009)

National Award of Excellence Granted for the GIS Map Compiling Contest

The Senior High Department of the NNKIEH offers PBL research courses and students Dai Tziyang, Li Guangchang, and Hsu Chiawei chose the "2008 Financial Crisis Trilogy" as their research topic for the national high school "GIS Map Compiling Contest" and through the trilogy—stock market decline, economic recession, and political impact, they compiled their theme map to portray the impact of the financial tsunami on the globe. Their presentation entered the final round for last 100 oral reports and interviews. Due to the in-depth analysis on financial tsunami issues, they finally were awarded with a special honor in the final contest.



National Excellence Award of First-year NNKIEH Senior High Department Students at the "GIS Map Compiling Contest" (May 16, 2009)

Second and Third Place at the Fifth National Vocabulary Contest

At the Fifth National English Vocabulary Contest, ten NNKIEH students entered the final round. In the final round, students' spelling abilities were tested on 2,400 to 20,000 words and each question was allowed ten seconds for an answer. Any error resulted in elimination. Students from the Bilingual Department Cheng Hsiaoan and Lin Yucheng outperformed other 200 competitors and were awarded with the second and third place in the national junior high school group.



NNKIEH and Turkish Students at the 2009 NDYS (March 14, 2009)

NNKIEH Wind Band, County Champion

The Wind Band of NNKIEH Elementary Department was established in 2008 and under the teaching of a professional teacher and full support of parents, the Wind Band made a great progress. In December 2009, the Wind Band outperformed the frequent winner and was awarded the championship in the Tainan County Music Contest.



Co-performance of German Stuttgarter Musikschule Junges Kammerorchester and NNKIEH Elementary Department Wind Band (August 4, 2009)

Educational Growth, Cultivation with a Heart

Successful Student Recruitment with the Highest Admission Standard in Tainan County

With a successful student recruitment program and outstanding performances of students in the first year, the NNKIEH Senior High Department has had another year of successful student recruitment with the lowest score of 377 points, the highest admission standard in Tainan County. The NNKIEH is not only the best choice of students in the greater Tainan area but also the ideal school for students coming from Kaohsiung and Taichung.

Cultivating international competitiveness with the Math and Science Experimental Class

In 2009, the "Cultivating International Competitiveness" experimental educational project of the Senior High Department of the NNKIEH was approved by the Ministry of Education. The "Math and Science Experimental Class" was set up to actively promote math and science experimental education and build a cooperative relationship with adjacent academic institutions. Meanwhile, music, art, home economics, health and nursing are all taught in English to extend English teaching in art and capacity building subjects and to realize the international educational vision of the NNKIEH.



Tainan County Champion—NNKIEH Elementary Department Wind Band (December 9, 2009)

Science Education Week for Motivation of Interest in Science

The Elementary Department of the NNKIEH celebrated Science Education Week in May 2009. The Parent-Children Science Garden Party introduced scientific knowledge through fun experiential games and activities. Students were able to plan and learn and were motivated to study science. At the same time, through their participation, parents and their children can have a more mutual understanding and greater interaction.



Eye-catching Robot Dog Exhibition at the Science Garden Party Organized by the Elementary Department, NNKIEH (May 9, 2009)