



A+ Abacus Center

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A. **Thanks to all the students who participated in the Global Cup Abacus Mental Arithmetic Championship.** The annual global cup competition took place on 1/20 in city of Industry, CA. 28 Orion Abacus Association (OAA) students competed, with 17 students representing A+ abacus center. Congratulations to the students who placed! **Group B champion Arjun Nathan** and **Group D champion Chris Chen**. They received scholarships from Global cup, A+ Abacus and OAA, for a total of \$300! 2 students also placed 1st place in their respective groups – **Brandon Kong in Group B** and **Brent Kong in Group E**. They will both each receive \$50 scholarships from A+ Abacus. All other participants in the competition received prizes for attending and giving their best effort. In the Flash Mental event, Erik Wang won 2nd place and 3rd place won 3rd place. A special thanks to all participating students and parents, who put in a lot of hard work to prepare for the competition. We hope to see your continued spirit!

Photo Link

Name	2019 Award	2019 Flash Mental	Group
Arjun Nathan	Champion		B
Chris Chen	Champion		D
Brandon Kong	1st place		B
Brent Kong	1st place	3	E
Hannah Tay	2		A
Jeffrey Tan	2		B
Christopher Chao	2		B
Evan Lu	2		C
Daniel Yang	2		D
Ethan Goh	3		A
Emma Lu	3		B
Shriya Rajagopalan	3		C
Samantha Lin	3		D
Taleisha Wang	3		D
Crystal Wang	3		E
Akanksha Rajagopalan	3		E
Erik Wang	3	2	G



B. The Chinese Lunar New Year Festival will be held on 2/15 to celebrate the final day of the Lunar New Year from 4pm to 9pm. There will be activities for the kids and OAA will be in attendance with a booth to make mini abacus. OAA youth organization members will be helping out at the booth. The event will be held at TECO. The pictures below are of OAA at last year's event. Drop by and say hi, then stay for the activities! For more details, see the attached event flyer.



C. **Orion Abacus Association Abacus and Mental Arithmetic Assessment Test**

This year, Orion Abacus Association will be holding an **Assessment Test on May 5th, 2019 (Sunday) from 9:45am to 12pm** at Culture Center of TECO (Milpitas) 華僑文教中心。The address is: 100 S. Milpitas Blvd. Milpitas, CA 95035

This year's assessment test will also have a flash mental and for the first time, an oral Abacus and mental arithmetic competition. 10 finalists will be selected to compete for the championship at the awards ceremony. These exercises are practiced in class, so if any student is interested or would like more practice, please visit the OAA website for more details. <https://www.orionabacus.org/>

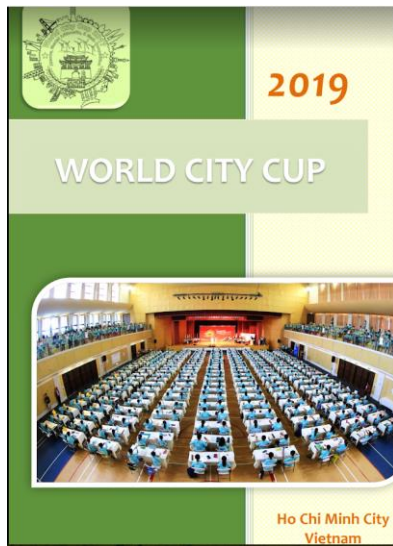
The award ceremony will take place May 19, 2019 from 2:00pm to 4:00pm. Please reserve these dates on your calendar!

Please link to open for the 2018 OAA award ceremony:

[2018 award ceremony photo link](#)

D. **The World City Cup is coming up this summer.** It will be held in Ho Chi Minh city, Vietnam from **July 19-20, 2019**. This is a perfect opportunity for any age and any level student to participate in a worldwide competition. If you are interested, please let Ms. Hsieh know for some discussion and preparation. Please see the attachment for more information on the World City Cup.

If the World City Cup doesn't work out for you, OAA has been invited this year to compete in the 2019 **Eternal Flame Heritage Competition and Ceremony on August 11-12**. Not only will there be abacus/mental math related events (like a carnival), there will also be a competition. It will be held in Shanghai, China this year. If you or your child is interested in this event, please let Ms. Hsieh know.



E. We are only in February, but if there is any interest or referrals for the new beginner's class in September, please go to the A+ Abacus website to start the enrollment process. As always, thank you to the A+ Abacus parents and students for the continued support!



Lost and Found:

These items have been found:

A Polo shirt

A Columbia Jacket

A Umbrella

If you think you have left your items in the classroom, come see Ms. Hsieh.

Please don't forget to take all personal belongings when leaving the classroom!

