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**APEC CYBER ACADEMY (ACA) 2003 INTERNATIONAL ONLINE CONTEST**

To: Regional Directors  
Schools Division/City Superintendents  
Heads, Public Elementary and Secondary Schools

1. The APEC Cyber Academy (ACA) will conduct an international online contest starting in October 2003. ACA is a free networked learning environment designed for K-12 students in APEC member economies. It is under the auspices of APEC EDNET and Ministry of Education of Chinese Taipei, Taiwan.

2. The contest will focus on the following:

**a. Networked Collaborative Learning Programs**

The eight collaborative learning programs are featured on topics such as *Money, Let's Go to Convenient Store, Food Pyramid, Bacteria Assembly, A Day in Our Schools, Our Advertisements, Typhoon and Tornado, and Our Holidays*. In these programs, students are expected to form teams, take part in the weekly activities, accomplish the assignments collaboratively, and even communicate with their distant learning partners through interactive communication tools in the learning process; and

**b. APEC Journalistic Kids**

The goal of APEC Journalistic Kids contest is to encourage kids to write down what they observe and share it with other learners among APEC members. Any K-12 kids interested in reporting on stories, news, and interesting events or occasions is welcome to apply to become APEC Journalistic Kids. The ultimate tasks for APEC Journalistic Kids are to prepare their articles and upload them to ACA. The improvement of interpersonal interaction, reading and writing skills are expected for journalistic kids after this contest.

3. This contest is open to all journalistic kids, students and teachers in K-12 schools.

4. The winners will be awarded the certificate of merit from APEC and Ministry of Education, Chinese Taipei. Furthermore, top 3 teams in Networked Collaborative Learning Programs and top 2 Journalistic Kids will be awarded a personal computer respectively. The winners even have opportunities to participate in the annual APEC Youth Camp that will be held in Chinese Taipei in 2004.

5. For more information, please visit website: <http://linc.hinet/apec/> or email at [apec@avatar.ntnc.edu.tw](mailto:apec@avatar.ntnc.edu.tw).

6. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

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None

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