

Make a documentary

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THE NATIONAL Geographic Channel (NGC) is organising its first English language documentary-making competition.

The channel hopes the competition will motivate and inspire students to see the world from different perspectives.

Students must form teams of two to five members. Each team is required to produce a five- to 10-minute English documentary on a topic that they find stimulating or inspirational.

The documentaries must be based on one of three themes: Nature and Wildlife, Environment and Conservation, and People and Culture.

Over 100 teams of students from more than 40 secondary schools in Hong Kong have signed up for the competition.

“We are delighted to see the large number of documentaries received.

“We want to encourage [students] to bring sensitivity to

different communities and the environment,” said Terri Seow, vice-president of marketing at NGC Asia.

With the help of Wiseman Education and the Education and Manpower Bureau, NGC Asia has produced a DVD guide on making documentaries to help the participants.

As well as a prize for the best documentary, trophies will also be awarded to winners in other categories, including best narration, best script writing, best directing, and most entertaining.

A National Geographic Channel Think Again Shield will be presented to the best junior form and senior form teams.

The shield winners will be selected based on the uniqueness of their perspective and their ability to interpret the world around them.

The competition will not only help students learn to make documentaries, but give them a chance to be more aware of international issues.

“The competition is a refreshing way to put school knowledge to use,” said Anson Yang, vice-principal of SKH Li Fook Hing Secondary School.

“If the event can spark students’ curiosity, and during the process of documentary-making, students learn to think, challenge and have a deeper understanding [of the world], they will be able to use the same skills and experiences in other applications and disciplines,” said Clement Chung, chief executive officer at Wiseman Education.

Results will be announced at the Awards Presentation Day on March 5.

For more information, visit www.EnglishBuilder.hk/ThinkAgain

Your favourite topic . . . contest participants can make a documentary on the theme Nature and Wildlife, Environment and Conservation, or People and Culture. Photo: SCMP



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