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10,000 MALAYSIAN STUDENTS RECEIVED TOEFL YOUNG STUDENT SERIES

GO ENGLISH! PROJECT AWARDS

Malaysian Students Excel In Global English Project



Encik Zulkifli Nordin and Encik Ezani Amir together with the TOEFL GO ENGLISH! Project award recipients

Over the past five years, the TOEFL® Young Students Series GO English! Project has seen significant growth in participation from all over the world. The most recent “Make the World A Better Place” initiative received the largest participation ever from 18 countries, with 3,793 submissions from 434 schools, 1,046 teachers and 25,338 students.

The program inspires students to practice and improve their English-language skills in and out of the classroom under the guidance of their English-language teachers. Over the course of a few months, students worked in groups to create a project to tell the world their ideas on making the world a better place.

This year, 9686 Malaysian students assisted by 456 teachers from 92 schools created 2109 TOEFL GO English! projects by showcasing their English-language skills in creating a video, radio, poster or newspaper announcement.

Encik Zulkifli Nordin, the Deputy Director, School Management and Student Outcome Sector, Sports, Co-Curriculum and Arts Division of the Ministry of Education Malaysia said, “The TOEFL® Young Students Series GO English! Project has definitely help to strengthen the usage of English language in line with the Ministry’s Highly Immersive Programme (HIP). Having this program in the school increases the student’s opportunities to use English on a daily basis, directly and indirectly.” He added, with the program, continuous learning of the English language had happened at schools beyond just the normal English period.

According to Ezani Amir, Managing Director of Eshia & Associates Sdn Bhd, the 2018-2019 participation reflected a 300% increase from last year for the students, projects and schools and a 600% increase for the teachers’ involvement. He added, “This TOEFL® Young Students Series GO English! Project is an excellent contribution to the Ministry’s Highly Immersive Program agenda, or better known as HIP. While they continuously engage and use the English language pervasively in completing their projects, they also developed their teamwork skills, research skills, communication skills, and creative skills. These are the skills necessary for them to be successful in their future.”

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At the event, 254 students and 64 teachers from 52 schools, came from the states of Kuala Lumpur, Selangor, Negeri Sembilan, and Pahang received their gifts from ETS. Special Mention Awards were also presented to Pejabat Pendidikan Daerah Pekan for having the Most Number of Schools Participation, and to Kuen Cheng High School for School with the Most Number of Students Participation. A special certificate was also presented to Centre for Modern Languages and Human Sciences team, Universiti Malaysia Pahang for their voluntary work in promoting the program.

The 2019/2020 TOEFL® Young Students Series GO English! Project is now in the final works with another exciting theme of “YOUR TRIP. In your words” and more details will be provided soon.

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