



Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

- 1. IS AFC REPLACING SCIENCE FAIR FOR YOUNG CHILDREN (SFYC) OR YOUNG INVENTORS CHALLENGE (YIC)**
NO. AFC is a different programme. It was designed for the COVID-19 lockdown. SFYC and YIC different programmes that will be conducted as per its own method.
- 2. IS AFC ONLY FOR STUDENTS?**
NO. Parents, Teachers, siblings and anyone can also can participate.
- 3. HOW MANY PARTICIPATION OF VIDEOS CAN A SCHOOL SEND OR PER TEAM SEND?**
Each team can only send a maximum of 3 video but explaining different concepts. A school can submit more than 1 team.
- 4. CAN TEACHERS PARTICIPATE?**
YES. A team of Teachers can participate under Category 3.
- 5. CAN THE VIDEO BE IN ENGLISH?**
Your video should be either in English or Malay or Tamil language.
- 6. DOES THE VIDEO NEED TO MEET CERTAIN DURATION OR CAN BE AS LONG AS WE LIKE?**
The Video should NOT be more than 5 minutes (or maximum 5 minutes).
- 7. DO WE NEED TO DO EXPERIMENT OR INVENTION?**
You need to invent something simple that explains a principle or concept. The invention can be a:
new device or product OR an innovative method OR an innovative experiment.
- 8. DO WE NEED TO PAY?**
There is no cost for participating in AFC. It is totally free.
- 9. WHAT KIND OF TOPICS CAN TERTIARY STUDENTS PRESENT FOR AFC?**
Anything like Navier strokes equation for chemistry students, or Quantum Entanglement for physics student or GDP for economic student. You can even explain concept that you have learnt in schools - it is up to you.

10. DEADLINE FOR VIDEO SUBMISSION

We have extended the deadline to 21st June 2021, due to the school closures if you are late and would like to participate – you may appeal to ASTI to consider.

11. HOW TO UPLOAD VIDEO

Upload your video on YouTube and submit your video's link to our Video Submission google form. To this link <https://forms.gle/ykP5fsPKmpTCN8yo7>

12. IS INDIVIDUAL PARTICIPATION ALLOWED

No. Your team should consist of a minimum of 2 and maximum of 5 participants only.

13. AGE CATEGORY

AFC is divided into 3 age based categories, which are; C1: 10-12 years, C2: 13-17, C3: Above 18 years old. The category is determined by the oldest person appearing in the video.

14. CHANGES IN GROUP MEMBERS

You may change it during Video Submission, Key in new member's name in video submission form

15. CHANGES TEAM NAME

Email us your old team name and new name.

16. MUST WE USE RECYCLED MATERIAL FOR THE INVENTION?

No, but you are encouraged. No marks consideration here, but it is always good to be socially and environmentally responsible.



Questions Asked During Briefing Session

Q: Can I do a camera drone?

A: You can “do” drone.

Q: When is the Submission due date?

A: Video Submission is on 21 June.

Q: Can we use copyrighted materials? If we still use copyrighted materials, we have to cite the source, right?

A: It’s better to use copyright free materials. If you still need to use copyrighted materials, you need to cite the sources and get permission if needed.

Q: Is SOP needed in the video?

A: Yes SOP is Needed. Wear Mask when needed and Maintain social distances. You may remove mask when you are speaking with proper precautions.

Q: Do students need to wear uniform?

A: It is not required to wear uniform. Can be smart casual.

Q: Will our video be used for other purposes other than the competition?

A: Yes your video(s) or part of it, may be used for reporting and promotions in the future e.g. for ASTI reporting, publicity for next year’s AFC etc.

It may also be used as teaching tool with other students - but this will be shared with your permission.

Q: Does the age is counted according to the birthdate or just by year will do?

A: Age is counted by year

Q: Is it a must to introduce ourselves verbally in the video? Do we need to tell our names our category and everything?

A: Yes. Give brief introduction about your team name, team members name, category and what principle you are going to explain.

Q: How do we get the cash prize if we win?

A: We will bank in the cash prize. we will personally contact the winner later to get the bank in details

Q: Can we put our background sound?

A: Yes, you can but it should not distract the listener from your explanation. Your explanation must be clear and audible.

Q: Is it necessary to show the making of the invention in the video?

A: No. You do not need to show the making of the invention. Remember you only have less than 5 minutes. Concentre on the explanation of the concept you have chosen.

Q: Materials that we use, is it compulsory to use recycling products

A: It's not compulsory, but we encourage you to use recycle things

Q: Since we'll be paraphrasing definitions for certain science principles to make it simpler, the accuracy of the definition will be affected. Will points be deducted for the inaccuracy?

A: Your scientific concept and the explanation must be accurate. If you paraphrase, or use metaphors etc., make sure it does not distort the concept being explained.

Q: Can we add new member since we already registered?

A: Yes you can. Send us an email to notify any changes

Q: if we win or lose will every participant gets certificates?

A: Yes. If you submit the video, you are eligible to get the certificate of participation but submission must be relevant to AFC and of a minimum quality. You need to send us the link of the video and it must be yours. This is at the discretion of the Judges.

Q: Can I combine 2 experiments in 1 video?

A: Can but both experiments must focus on ONE principle.

Q: Are we allowed to include multiple models or tools for the same topic in the same video?

A: As long as it explains ONE principle, that is fine.

Q: So, in the video, we need to introduce all of the members of the team. But inside the video, is it allow only one member show face? do we need to include our faces in the video?

A: You can introduce all members and, in the video, its allowed for one member to show face.

Q: Can only one of the members explain and present in the video?

A: Yes. Can.

Q: Can we use professional camera?

A: You can, but it is not compulsory.

Q: When is the last date to email if there are any changes to our team name?

A: Two weeks before the submission due date

Q: How to upload the video and send link?

A: Refer to Video submission guideline in the www.asti.org.my/afc2021

Q: Can students collaborate online to do the video?

A: Yes. You can.

Q: Is it an international competition or national competition?

A: It is a National Level Competition according to Ministry of Education, Malaysia for Extracurricular marks for Malaysian schools. However, we do have countries besides Malaysia participating in AFC2021.