

The 14th Tan Kah-Kee Tan Lark-Sye Young Inventors' Award (Malaysia) 2026

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. All Chinese Independent High Schools (CHS) and Sekolah Menengah Jenis Kebangsaan (SMJK) in Malaysia are invited to participate in the competition. Sekolah Menengah Kebangsaan (SMK) will be accepted by invitation-only basis.

The competition is divided into:

Junior Division (CHS: Junior Middle 1 to 3; SMJK & SMK: Form 1 to Form 3)

Senior Division (CHS: Senior Middle 1 to 3; SMJK & SMK: Form 4 to Form 6)

Participants can take part in the contest individually or in a group of not more than 3 students.

2. Each school may submit up to 10 entries per division (Junior Division, Senior Division). Each participant may submit up to 2 entries.

3. The main assessment criteria of each entry are based on the originality 50%, feasibility 25% and practicality 25% of the invention work.

4. Participants must fill out the registration form and upload their invention report on the following website: <https://fict.newera.edu.my>

5. Entries that have been used in other similar competitions or have won a prize in any public contests are strictly prohibited.

6. The entries must be the participants' own works; any plagiarized works will not be accepted.

7. Deadline: All entries must be submitted on or before **12 June 2026**.

8. Only shortlisted entries will be invited to attend an online interview to present their inventions via ZOOM meeting.

9. No registration fee is required. However, participants need to bear all the costs of their inventions. The physical model of the invention must be ready when the participants attend the interview.

10. The organizers are not responsible for any copyright issues.

11. The panel of judges has the right to make the final decision on the competition results. If the invention works do not reach the required standard, the judges have the right to reserve the award.

12. The organizers reserve the right to modify the rules and regulations.

13. Important dates:

No.	Events	Date
1	Closing date of registration and submission	12/06/2026 (Fri)
2	Release of shortlisted candidates and interview session	07/08/2026 (Fri)
3	Date of online interview	06/09/2026 (Sun)
4	Awards ceremony	15/11/2026 (Sun)

AWARDS

I. Invention Awards:

Winners of the junior and senior divisions will be given the following prizes:

Gold Medal: Medal, Certificate, and Cash RM 3,000

Silver Medal: Medal, Certificate, and Cash RM 2,000

Bronze Medal: Medal, Certificate, and Cash RM 1,000

Merit: Medal and Certificate

Commendation: Certificate

Finalist: Certificate

II. Overall School Awards:

For each school, points will be accumulated based on the **top 5** inventions, according to the list below. Trophies for overall Champion, Runner-up, and Second Runner-up will be awarded according to the total points gained.

Gold Medal: 31 points

Silver Medal: 20 points

Bronze Medal: 12 points

Merit: 5 points

Commendation: 2 points