

Quiz time

CONTEST *The TCS IT Wiz quiz for schools*

The 2010 Chennai edition of the TCS IT Wiz quiz will be held on August 18 at The Music Academy, TTK Road. The regional rounds will be held in Chennai, Ahmedabad, Hyderabad, Bangalore, Coimbatore, Pune, Kolkata, Bhubaneswar, Kochi, Lucknow, Delhi and Mumbai. The event is expected to reach over 200,000 students.

The quiz is open to students from Class 8-12 (including PU students). There is no entry fee. Each institution is allowed to send multiple teams (two members per team). Entries have to be sent through the respective institutions on or before August 13 to J. Savithri, TCS IT WIZ Coordinator, Tata Consultancy Services, 21/22 Elnet Software City, TS 140, Block 2&9, CPT Road, Taramani.

Schools can also register online this year. For details, logon to www.tcsitwiz.com or contact 66161005/ 92824 12521.

The regional rounds will be followed by a national final in December where the winning teams from the 12 regional rounds will compete for the national title. The regional winners will walk away with laptops and the runners-up will get Netbooks. The 6 finalists will also receive an array of prizes from TCS, ranging from backpacks and MP3 players

to headphones, T-shirts, caps and water sippers.

Among the highlights this year are the TCS IT Wiz Blogging and Vlog contests to encourage students to use Web 2.0 technologies and Social Media responsibly. Students can set up their own blogs, vlog based on TCS IT Wiz 2010 and win prizes. This year students will also get an opportunity to participate in an online quiz hosted on www.tcstwiz.com.

The quiz will focus on application of IT across sectors such as Internet and unique websites, IT buzzwords and acronyms, IT Personalia, ads of IT and communication companies, software products and history of IT. It will also cover areas where IT has made an impact – education, entertainment, books, multimedia, music, movies, advertising, sports, gaming, social networking and more. There will be an exclusive round on TCS (refer www.tcsitwiz.com & www.tcs.com)