

Second Annual Kyushu SGH Forum

The Second Annual Kyushu SGH Forum was held at the Brick Hall in Nagasaki on Monday, July 8th. In addition to Nagasaki Higashi High School, 36 students from other SGH schools across Kyushu also participated in the event. Each school's representative(s) presented on their current research and SGH projects. Among those in attendance were Mr. Yasuhiko Hiroyasu and Mr. Hiroshi Takahashi from the Ministry of Education Senior High School Reform Promotion Office, Primary and Secondary Education Bureau as well as Professor Emeritus Yoshiko Otsubo and SGH Advisory Committee Member, Special Assistant to the Director of Global Cooperation Agency, Mr. Ryu Yamashita from Nagasaki University. In addition, Nagasaki Prefectural Board of Education High School Education Division's Chief Ms. Shirakawa, ALT advisor Ms. Cassandra, and Kyushu University Graduate School of Language and Culture Associate Professor Toshihiro Shimizu were kind enough to support the event as judges for the students' presentations. Other visitors included high school teachers across the prefecture as well as parents/guardians of the participating students. In total, there were about 600 people that attended this large-scale event.

The forum consisted of six schools participating in main stage presentations, four schools participating in poster presentations, and 15 groups from Nagasaki Higashi's International Course giving second stage presentations. A total of 17 GSIII English reports written by each research group at Higashi as well as the research reports written by Higashi's General Course students were also exhibited attracting the attention of many visitors. In a panel discussion lead by Professor Jinnai of Yamaguchi University, who has been serving as our school's SGH Advisor since the first year of the program, one representative student from each of the 6 different schools discussed what they learned from participating in the SGH program and how those experiences better prepared them for their future. All six representative students were able to share their diverse opinions and provide great insight for other students listening in the audience. Higashi's Ai Hunt acted as the discussion facilitator (in English) drawing the respect and praise from many of those in attendance.

Professor Yamashita from Nagasaki University, the keynote speaker of the event, praised the students' work and their effort. He left the students with a message to keep learning and challenging themselves; to never lose their persistence and drive to improve.

【Award Results】

	Presentation	Poster
Grand Prize	Nagasaki Higashi	Saga Agriculture
Excellence Award	Gokase MeijiGakuen	Minamata
Honorable Mention	Kyoto Fukuoka Futaba Konan	Nagasaki Higashi Miyazaki Omiya



Pre-forum Student Exchange



Grand Prize Winning Group



Second Stage Presentation (Left);
Poster Presentation (Right)



Honorable Mention Group



Panel Discussion (Left); Ms. Ai Hunt (Right)



Award Ceremony