

## 1,000 Participants From 7 Universities Celebrate Fitness

【Reported by Jia-wen Lin, Tamkang Times】 On March 9th Tamkang University was represented in purple as 7 universities came together for a run to celebrate exercise. Participants included professors, administrators, students and even President Flora Chia-I Chang. Altogether there were over a thousand participants in this activity held at the Sanchong District Park.

The Malaysian Student Association, Tamkang University Foreign Student Association and other international student groups also participated in the run. Malaysian exchange student, Wei-xiang Peng, stated, “I’ ve never done this kind of a run before and I got really interested when I heard that 7 different universities were participating. Other members of our student organization were also excited to participate so I began doing some training before the event took place.”

In order to have an exceptional performance, the higher level administrators had gone through a significant amount of training and preparation. For the Faculty 3-kilometer run, Professor of the Office of Physical Education, Jui-chen Chen, came in first place for the men’ s heat with a time of 10 minutes 7 seconds and Duan-yu Wei came in first place for the women’ s heat with a time of 14 minutes 59 seconds. For the 5-kilometer Student run, Jun-zhi Wang came in first place in the men’ s heat with a time of 21 minutes 18 seconds and Cheng-qian Wen came in first place in the women’ s heat with a time of 27 minutes 38 seconds. The Dean of the Office of Physical Education, Shu-feng Hsiao, stated happily, “We got a great response for this year’ s run. Lots of students and faculty participated, making it a really pleasant day of exercise.”

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President Flora Chia-I Chang (Second on the right) with Vice Presidents and Administrators. (Picture provided by Xiang Deng)

