



The 14th “Chinese Bridge” Chinese Proficiency Competition for Foreign Secondary School Students The South Island Regional 2021

The "Chinese Bridge" Chinese Proficiency Competition aims to create enthusiasm in students for learning Chinese and strengthen their understanding of Chinese language and culture.

Categories:

- Senior Category (Year 11 – 13)
- Junior Category (Year 7 – 10)

Eligibility of Participants:

According to Centre for Language Education and Cooperation’s rules, students representing New Zealand in the International Competition in China must be:

- i. A New Zealand citizen or New Zealand permanent resident (non-Chinese citizenship);
- ii. Born and brought up in countries and regions outside of China;
- iii. First language is NOT Chinese. Neither parent can be native speakers of Chinese;
- iv. Full-time enrolled students in the South Island.

If someone is unclear about the eligibility of a candidate, they should raise the issue with the organising committee (for more information about how to do this, please contact Zhengnan Shen zhengnan.shen@canterbury.ac.nz). The organising committee will make a decision based on available information. The committee’s decision is final.

Registration Deadline for Regional Competition: **14 May, 2021**

- i. The instructor or the Lead Teacher of the Chinese programme should complete the online application
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScvFOt626MSdcKlquvQZeSkclAFjVisdDiHYmrx04cpBTQSLA/viewform?usp=sf_link
- ii. Submitting Letter of Authorisation (Attachment 1) and Letter of Consent (Attachment 2)

Topic:

我和汉语的故事 (My Story of Learning Chinese)



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Format of the Competition:

• Senior Category

The Competition consists of three sections: Chinese language speech, Question and Answer and a Talent Presentation. Students may wear school uniforms, traditional Chinese costume, or their own traditional dresses if desired.

- 1) **Chinese Speech** For this section, each student is required to give a speech for no less than 2 minutes and no more than 3 minutes. Students are encouraged to use props or other forms of demonstration to enrich their presentations. It is not recommended that students simply read from a prewritten script. Their speeches will be judged according to the content of the speech, presentation, pronunciation, vocabulary and grammar. The score is 70% of the total.
- 2) **Q & A** Immediately after the speech, the student will select a pre-prepared question from a pool (Attachment 3) and answer it in Chinese. One of judges will then ask for more details from the contestants which should be answered in Chinese. The question list will be provided to all contestants in advance. This makes up 20% of the total score.
- 3) **Talent Presentation** Each student is required to choose one performance art such as singing (preferably) Chinese songs, playing an instrument, dancing, acrobatics, calligraphy, painting, paper-cutting, martial arts, etc. The presentation should last for no more than 3 minutes.

Judging Criteria for the Senior Category

Sections	1) Chinese Speech				2) Q&A	3) Talent	Total
Judging Criteria	Content 20%	Presentation 20%	Pronunciation 20%	Vocabulary and Grammar 10%	Accuracy / Completeness /Reaction Speed 20%	Artistry / Appeal / Complexity 10%	Language part+ Talent
Percentage	90% (Language Part)					10%	100%
Ranking Priority	2					3	1

• Junior Category

The Competition consists of two sections: Chinese speech and talent presentation. Students may wear school uniforms, traditional Chinese costumes, or their own traditional dresses if desired.

- 1) **Chinese speech** Each student is required to give a speech for no less than 2 minutes and no more than 3 minutes. Students are encouraged to use props or other forms of demonstration to enrich their presentations. It is not recommended that students simply read from a prewritten script. Their speeches will be judged according to the content, presentation, pronunciation and grammar. The score is 90% of the total.
- 2) **Talent presentation.** This is also part of final competition. **Presentation** Each student is required to choose one performance art such as singing (preferably) Chinese songs, playing an instrument, dancing, acrobatics, calligraphy, painting, paper-cutting, martial arts, etc. The presentation should last for no more than 3 minutes.

The judges will evaluate each student's performance by artistry and appeal. The score is 10% of the total.

Judging Criteria for the Junior Category

Sections	1) Chinese Speech				2) Talent	Total
Judging Criteria	Content 30%	Presentation 20%	Pronunciation 20%	Vocabulary and Grammar 20%	Artistry / Appeal / Complexity 10%	Language part+ Talent
Percentage	90% (Language Part)				10%	100%
Ranking Priority	2				3	1

School Representatives for Regional Competition:

Each school or institute should arrange their selection competition prior to the regional competition. We would encourage you to organise the selection competition for all students taking the Chinese subject in the school/institute as part of classroom activities. Each school can nominate up to four representatives for Senior and Junior Student Categories respectively. Schools with more than ten participants in the school competition in a given category are allowed to recommend one more representative in the Regional Competition.

Prizes for Regional Competition:

- Senior Category: prizes and certificates will be issued according to each student's placing in the Competition. There will be three to five winners, depending on the total number of registered students in the category, who will represent the Lower or Upper South Island to compete in the South Island final in Christchurch.
- Junior Category: prizes and certificates will be issued according to each student's placing in the Competition. There will be three to five winners, depending on the total number of registered students in the category, who will represent the Lower or Upper South Island to compete in the South Island final in Christchurch.

Prizes for South Island Final:

- Senior Category: prizes and certificates will be issued according to each student's placing in the competition. The top five winners will represent the South Island to compete in the National Final in Auckland.
- Junior Category: prizes and certificates will be issued according to each student's placing in the competition. The top five winners will represent the South Island to compete in the National Final in Auckland.

For further inquiries, please contact CIUC at zhengnan.shen@canterbury.ac.nz

Attachment 1: [Letter of Authorisation](#)

Attachment 2: [Letter of Consent](#)

Attachment 3: [Questions List for Senior Category](#)