The 19th “Chinese Bridge”
Chinese Proficiency Competition for Foreign College Students
The South Island Regional 2020

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

Category

Tertiary Students Category (age 18-30)

Eligibility of Participants

According to Hanban’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. Parents and grandparents living with the student are not permitted to be native speakers of Chinese;
iv. Full-time enrolled tertiary 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 Liguo Shi liguo.shi@canterbury.ac.nz). The organising committee will make a decision based on available information. The committee’s decision is final.

Online Registration and Video Submission:

i. Online Registration (Deadline: 1 May 2020)
   All eligible students are welcome to register. Please sign up for the competition with your Chinese teacher at school, or register online individually: https://forms.gle/VYPx9Gs4hf9CPksC9.

ii. Video Submission (Deadline: 24 May 2020)
   Please upload your speech and talent show video clip(s) to any Cloud Storage services, such
as Google Drive, Dropbox, OneDrive, etc., and share the link to liguo.shi@canterbury.ac.nz. (Don’t forget to include the information of your name and school.)

**Topic:**

天下一家 (One World, One Family)

**Format of Video Submission:**

1) **Speech.** All participating students are required to prepare a 2 – 3 minute long original speech in Mandarin Chinese. The judges will evaluate each student’s speech according to the content, fluency, grammar, pronunciation and presentation. The score for the speech makes up 70% of the total score for this round of the competition.

2) **Talent presentation.** Each student is required to choose one form of talent presentation, such as singing a Chinese song, giving an instrumental performance, 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 30% of the total.

The aesthetic quality of the video filming and editing will not be assessed by the judges.

**Awards:**

Prizes and certificates will be issued according to each student’s placing in the competition. The first place winner will travel to China (all expenses included) to represent New Zealand in the Chinese Bridge Chinese Proficiency International Competition later this year. The second place winner will have the opportunity to travel to China (all expenses included) to observe the International Competition.

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