

2019 Washington State Chinese Language and Talent Competition with Qualification Events for “Chinese Bridge” Chinese Proficiency Competition

General Information

Organizer 主办单位

- Cultural Exploration of Greater China Foundation (CE)
<http://culturalexploration.org/>
- Confucius Institute of the State of Washington (CIWA)
<http://confucius.washington.edu/>
- Chinese Language Teachers Association Washington State (CLTA-WA)
<http://www.clta-wa.org/>
- Chief Sealth International High School (CSIHS)
<http://chiefsealthhs.seattleschools.org/>
- Little Master Club (LMC)
<http://www.littlemasterclub.org/>
- Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction World Languages Program (OSPI-WL)
<http://www.k12.wa.us/WorldLanguages/default.aspx/>

Mission 宗旨

To inspire instructors and students to further interest in the teaching and learning of Chinese language and culture

Goal 活动目标

- To acknowledge and reward achievements of the students and teachers
- To provide a positive venue for students with diverse backgrounds to come together to share knowledge and learning experience
- To select qualified candidates for the Preliminary “Chinese Bridge Chinese Proficiency Competition for Foreign Secondary School Students”

Note: The “Chinese Bridge” Chinese Proficiency Competition, sponsored primarily by Confucius Institute Headquarters/Hanban, is to provide a venue for students around the world to exchange knowledge and experience in learning Chinese language and culture. The first and second place winners of the qualification events will be awarded full scholarships to the preliminary competition to be held in California. For more information about the qualification events, please refer to Page 5 of this document below. For more information about the Chinese Bridge Competition, please refer to the official competition website at http://bridge.chinese.cn/s11/160/160_3633_1.html

Date and Time 举办日期/时间

Sunday, **March 24, 2019**

Competition Time: 8:30am to 2:30 pm.

Awards Ceremony: 2:30 pm – 3:30 pm.

(Please check CE website www.culturalexploration.org for detailed and most current event schedule)

Location 地点

Chief Sealth International High School

<http://chiefsealthhs.seattleschools.org/>

2600 SW Thistle Street

Seattle, WA 98126

Awards 奖励

All contestants will receive a gift for their participation in the competition. An award certificate from OPSI-WL and scholarships (Cash prize of \$50 for individuals, and \$100 for team competitions) will be given to the top three performers in each division of each category.

In addition, the top 3 winners of the Chinese Bridge Qualification Events will each receive a trophy; with the top two winners receiving full scholarships to attend the Preliminary Chinese Bridge Competition in California.

The awards ceremony will be held on the same day as the competition, beginning at 2:30 pm in the Chief Sealth International High School's auditorium. Families and friends in the community are welcome to attend the awards ceremony.

Registration Deadline 报名截止日期

Monday, March 4, 2019

No late application will be accepted.

Registration 报名方法

Please use the "Registration" page at www.culturalexploration.org. Participants will receive an automatic confirmation by email upon completing the registration process. **Please bring this confirmation email to the competition to complete check-in procedure.**

Registration Fee 报名费

Registration fee is \$5 per event for each competition (individual or team) entered (entering one competition is \$5, two will be \$10, three will be \$15, etc.). The registration fee must be paid on-line by using PayPal when registering.

Withdrawal 取消報名

The registration fee is refundable if withdrawn before the registration deadline (March 4, 2019). 40% of the administration fee will be deducted from the refund. Requests for withdrawal will not be accepted after the March 4, 2019 registration deadline.

Please note that the registration fee can be waived for participants on subsidized school meal plans. To apply, please download the form (<http://culturalexploration.org/Document/Lunch-Program-Form.docx>) and mail your filled out form to the following address:

The Little Master Club
c/o Chinese Language and Talent Competition
2439 152nd Ave NE
Redmond, WA 98052

Competition Categories 比赛项目

The following list includes all available competitions based on grade levels of the participants. Please click the underlined categories (Chinese or English) to learn more about the details.

Lower Elementary (Grades K-2) 小学低年级组

- Team Poetry Recitation 团体诗歌朗诵
- Individual Poetry Recitation 个人诗歌朗诵
- Individual or Team Talent Show 才艺竞赛(个人或团体)
- Individual or Team Chinese Singing 中文歌唱比赛(个人或团体)
- Individual or Team Language Arts 口语才艺竞赛(个人或团体)
- Drawing 绘画比赛

Upper Elementary (Grades 3-5) 小学中高年级组

- Team Poetry Recitation 团体诗歌朗诵
- Story Telling 说故事
- Individual or Team Talent Show 才艺竞赛(个人或团体)
- Individual or Team Chinese Singing 中文歌唱比赛(个人或团体)
- Individual or Team Language Arts 口语才艺竞赛(个人或团体)
- Drawing 绘画比赛

Middle School (Grades 6-8) 初中组

- Group Poetry Recitation 团体诗歌朗诵
- Public Speaking 演讲
- Individual or Team Talent Show 才艺竞赛(个人或团体)
- Individual or Team Chinese Singing 中文歌唱比赛(个人或团体)
- Individual or Team Language Arts 口语才艺竞赛(个人或团体)
- Drawing 绘画比赛
- Chinese Chess 中国象棋
- China Knowledge Bowl (social studies related questions about all things Chinese)
中国常识竞答

High School (Grades 9-12) 高中组

- Group Poetry Recitation 团体诗歌朗诵
- Public Speaking 演讲
- Individual or Team Talent Show 才艺竞赛(个人或团体)

- Individual or Team Chinese Singing 中文歌唱比赛(个人或团体)
- Individual or Team Language Arts 口语才艺竞赛(个人或团体)
- Drawing 绘画比赛
- Chinese Chess 中国象棋
- China Knowledge Bowl (social studies related questions about all things Chinese) 中国常识竞答
- All about China test for “Chinese Bridge” Chinese Proficiency Competition 「汉语桥」中国国情知识测验 (New)

Competition Class 比赛分级

Please note that there are three classes for Individual Language-Based competitions (i.e. Individual Poetry Recitation 个人诗歌朗诵, Story Telling 说故事 and Public Speaking (演讲)). The Competition Class is based on the contestant’s individual language ability (not based on the contestant’s family background or birth or origin). Individual Language-Based competitions are intended for students who are learning Chinese as a second language. We ask that students who studied in schools in Chinese speaking countries and still speak Chinese as a primary language now not sign up.

Class A: This class is intended to challenge students with advanced Chinese skills (or the champion from the B Class last year). It is designed for **students who can communicate in Chinese fluently with very little foreign accent**. Students who lived or vacationed in Chinese speaking countries, or in addition to school, still have the opportunity to communicate with others such as parents, relatives, or friends in Chinese may compete in this class.

Please take note that the champion of class A from last year will not be eligible for the competition in class A. Please refer details in the following Restrictions of Qualification section for other classes. **(This restriction will be suspended temporarily for the 2019 competition.)**

Class B: This class is designated for students whose Chinese proficiency is at intermediate level (or the champion from the C Class last year). **Students who communicate well in Chinese but carry an accent in a way that people can recognize as a second-language learner** may compete in this class.

Class C: This class is designed for students whose Chinese proficiency is at beginner level. **Students who are not yet able to perform complex communicative tasks in Chinese and still find oral presentation a challenge** are encouraged to compete under this class.

*** Please note that the judges have the right to promote students whose Chinese language skills are much higher than expected for Class B or C to compete again in Class A or B and the scores that they earned in Class B or C will be voided. Please kindly respect judges’ decisions. The list of students who are promoted to compete in Class A or B will be posted at the administrative office. Please be sure to check the list after completion of the event.

*** For those students who are not sure about which class to register for, please consult with their Chinese language teachers or contact the event organizer using the Contact Information below.

Qualification Events for “Chinese Bridge” Chinese Proficiency Competition 「汉语桥中学生中文比赛」资格赛 (New)

The “Chinese Bridge” Proficiency Competition is limited to students in high school (Grades 9-12). To qualify, the contestants must enter the following three high school level events. The top winners will be determined by the cumulative total score from these events.

- 1 Individual Talent Show (才艺竞赛) and/or Individual Chinese Singing (中文歌唱). The higher of two scores will be used for participants in both events.
- 2 Public Speaking (Class A or B) 演讲比赛 (A 级 或 B 级)
- 3 **All about China Test 中国国情知识测验**: This is a new event designed to determine contestants’ qualification for the “Chinese Bridge” Chinese Proficiency Competition. It is different in content and format from the existing China Knowledge Bowl (中国常识竞答). This is a test rendered in Chinese about Chinese history, language, culture, and national conditions of China. More details of the scope and contents of this written test can be downloaded from the link located on the right panel on the website for this competition.

Competition Restriction 比赛资格限制

- 1 The champions (individual or team) from last year are not eligible to sign up for the same competition (with an exception of China Knowledge Bowl) at the same grade or class until there is at least one year of separation. China Knowledge Bowl participants regardless of their places the year before can sign up at the same level based on the grade level. The rest of the Champions are encouraged to skip or jump to the next level of challenge such as instead of Class B sign up for Class A or instead of Grades K-2, sign up for Grades 3-5, etc.... **Please Note: Since this competition was not held in 2017 and 2018, this restriction will be suspended in 2019.**
- 2 The winner of the top three places in the final round of Chinese Bridge Chinese Proficiency Competition in China are not eligible to participate the second year.
- 3 In a team competition, students at a lower grade level can join the team at a higher grade, i.e. Grades K-2 students can join a Grades 3-5 team, but not vice versa, i.e. Grades 3-5 students cannot join a Grades K-2 team.
- 4 No contestant can compete in the same category more than once, except for the Poetry Recitation. For example, if a contestant signs up to compete individually or with a group in the Singing competition (歌唱比赛), he/she cannot sign up to compete again even as a background singer or help with a musical instrument for another performer or group. However, a student can compete once in Individual Poetry Recitation (个人诗歌朗诵) and another time in Team Poetry Recitation (团体诗歌朗诵).
- 5 In order to cultivate each student participants’ independent capability, please also note that any assistances or cues from the parents or teachers to the contestants while performing on the stage are strictly prohibited. The violation of this rule will result in a disqualification.

Contact Information 询问处

For further information or questions regarding the competition, please email ce2019competition@googlegroups.com.