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第十六届“汉语桥”世界中学生中文比赛
The 16th Chinese Bridge
Chinese Proficiency Competition for Foreign Secondary School Students
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新西兰奥克兰赛区选拔赛
Auckland Regional Competition 2023

1. Aims:

- To provide a platform for secondary school students to demonstrate their ability of utilizing the Chinese language.
- To encourage secondary school students' interest and enthusiasm in learning Chinese and to enhance their understanding of Chinese language and culture.

2. Host:

The Organizing Committee of the 16th "Chinese Bridge" Chinese Proficiency Competition for Foreign Secondary School Students

3. Organisers:

Consulate General of the People's Republic of China in Auckland
Confucius Institute in Auckland

4. Date:

13:00—17:00, Saturday 20th May 2023

5. Venue:

Level 0, Owen G Glenn Building
Business School, The University of Auckland
12 Grafton Road, Auckland

6. Theme Topic:

Fly high with Chinese 追梦中文，不负韶华

7. Format:

The competition is divided into two categories based on the school year level.

I. Secondary Junior Category: Year 7-10

- a) **Speech in Chinese:** This part is compulsory and should last in 2-3 minutes. The following aspects will be emphasized in judging the speech: content, fluency, grammar, pronunciation and presentation.
- b) **Chinese talent show:** This part is optional and should not exceed 3 minutes. Participants can choose to display their Chinese talent in a form of their own choice.

II. Secondary Senior Category: Year 11-13

- a) **Speech in Chinese:** This part is compulsory and should last in 2-3 minutes. The following aspects will be emphasized in judging the speech: content, fluency, grammar, pronunciation and presentation.
- b) **Question-Answer:** Participants are required to answer one question that is related to their speech.
- c) **Chinese talent show:** This part is also **compulsory** and is considered to be an integrate component of the participant's overall performance. It should not exceed 3 minutes. Participants may display their Chinese talent in any form of their choice.

8. Eligibility:

- 1) New Zealand citizen or New Zealand permanent resident (14-18 years old).
- 2) Born and brought up in countries and regions outside of China.
- 3) First language is NOT Chinese. Neither parents (living with the student) should be native speakers of Chinese.
- 4) Full-time enrolled secondary student in the wider Auckland region from Northland down to Waikato.

Participants must meet the above four conditions simultaneously.

Please note:

All the students who participate in the competition MUST bring a copy of their passport photo page on the competition day.

9. Awards:

The top three winners in each category will be qualified to participate in the NZ national final, held in Wellington in June.

The national winner in Senior Category will be recommended to represent New Zealand to China in August.

10. Registration:

The regional competition is open to all secondary school students in the wider Auckland region (including Waikato and Northland). Each school can register a maximum of six students in each category (Confucius Classroom schools are entitled for a few extra registrations where that is required). Schools are encouraged to organize their own preliminaries. Individual student should register with her/his Chinese teacher so that the teacher can complete the registration template (please refer to the separate attached Registration Template), submit the school group registration to Confucius Institute in Auckland by Saturday 6th May 2023.

For further inquiries, please email to Confucius Institute in Auckland at info@ci.ac.nz.

More information about the “Chinese Bridge” Competition is available at
<http://bridge.chinese.cn>
