

# The 18<sup>th</sup> New Zealand Chinese Essay Competition 2024

## 第 18 届新西兰中文写作大赛 (2024)

(For Non-Native Speakers Only)

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### Objectives

- To promote and encourage the use of Chinese language among the learners of Chinese in New Zealand;
- To promote the knowledge of Chinese language and culture as an important resource in an increasingly multicultural and global environment;
- To provide an opportunity for students of Chinese language to showcase their acquired knowledge;
- To further motivate students to learn Chinese language by sharing their writings with fellow students and wider communities.

### Requirements

- **Style of writing:** Any format of ORIGINAL work written in Chinese language
- **Topic:** One World, One Family- 天下一家

### Categories

- Category I - Secondary School Junior (Year 7-10): minimum of 200 characters
- Category II - Secondary School Senior (Year 11-13): minimum of 300 characters
- Category III - Tertiary Category: minimum of 500 characters

### Eligibility

- New Zealand citizens or New Zealand permanent residents, and full-time registered students.
- Mandarin or any Chinese dialect is not the home language spoken by either parent.

### Judging Criteria

- Content (idea, originality, and creativity)
- Language (vocabulary and grammar)
- Structure (organization and style)
- **Machine or AI-assisted/generated content/translation is not acceptable; the decision of the judging committee is final.**

### Registration

- School Group Registration through your Chinese teacher;
- Individual Registrations acceptable;
- **Registrations and essay submissions online:** <https://forms.gle/ve6ekeU7PvfZcyLM6>

### Timetable

- **All registration and essay submitted by Friday 30 Aug 2024;**
- Final results and awards announced by Friday 27 September 2024.

### Contact

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