

第六届"汉语桥"世界中学生中文比赛 美国西部地区预赛(第三届) The Sixth "Chinese Bridge" Chinese Proficiency Competition for Secondary School Students (The Third) Preliminary Contest on US West Coast

Date:Saturday, April 6, 2013Location:Confucius Institute at San Francisco State University1600 Holloway Avenue, Burk Hall 28San Francisco, CA 94132

Registration Deadline: March 24, 2013

Organizers: The Chinese Language Association of Secondary-Elementary Schools (CLASS) Confucius Institute at San Francisco State University (CI at SF State)

Co-sponsors: Hanban and Consulate General of the PRC in San Francisco

Registration and Rules

- 1. The contestant must be a student currently enrolled in a Mandarin Chinese program during the current school year at a high school that is fully accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC), or is a member of the National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS).
- 2. The instructor of the contestant must be either:

(1) a current member in good standing of the Chinese Language Association of Secondary-Elementary Schools (CLASS). The annual membership fee must be paid by the instructor before students are eligible to compete; or

(2) a Chinese language teacher at a public or private high school, networking with the Confucius Institute at SF State.

- 3. Each school may enter up to four students for the contest. Individual schools should decide how their participants are selected (e.g. holding a preliminary school-wide speech contest).
- 4. The contestant should be an American high school student with non-Chinese nationality, who was born and raised outside China, and a non-native speaker of Chinese.
- 5. Students who participated in the previous Chinese Bridge US West Coast Secondary School Student Chinese Speech Contest are not eligible.
- 6. The winner of the contest will be recommended to represent US West Coast schools to participate as a contestant in the Chinese Bridge Chinese Proficiency Competition for

Foreign Secondary School Students to be held in China during the fall semester of 2013. The first 20 participants will be invited to participate in the 2013 Summer Camp in China for American High School Students, details for which will be announced at the final contest.

- 7. The theme of the speech is "I like the Chinese Language and Culture." Students are free to develop the content based on their own language learning and life experiences. The speech must be between four to five minutes in length. During the on-site contest, four questions will be asked immediately based on the delivered speech.
- 8. In addition to the speech, the contestant is expected to prepare for a two-minute talent show. Forms of the talent show include Chinese song, Chinese dance, Chinese folk arts, Chinese musical instrument, Chinese painting or calligraphy, Chinese paper cutting or Kungfu, etc. This talent show performance will help the participant to gain extra points as part of the final results in the contest.
- 9. The contest is for high school students only. There will be 2 categories:
 - Intermediate Group for students who have learned Chinese for less than 4 years
 - Advanced Group for those who have learned Chinese for more than 4 years or have stayed in China for more than 6 months
- 10. Registration (use attached Registration Forms in Chinese and English) **begins on January** 28, and ends on March 24, 2013. The completed Application Forms must include a student photo (2 inch x 2 inch /color), a student signature, a parent or guardian's signature as well as the recommending teacher's signature.
- 11.Please place all required materials in one envelope and mail them to us, or scan and email them to the following address by March 24, 2013.

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12. All registered students' school enrollment status in a Chinese class and their teachers' recommendation status will be verified with their teacher before a confirmation to participate is sent to each student by email one week before the contest. Students who do not receive a confirmation will not be eligible for the contest.

For more details or questions, please refer to <u>www.classk12.org</u>, <u>http://www.sfsu.edu/~ci/</u>or email to Mr. Baocai Paul Jia at <u>2013classspeechcontestwest@gmail.com</u>.