



## British Columbia Ministry of Education British Columbia-China Award for Excellence in Chinese

### AWARD INFORMATION

To help promote the study of Chinese language and culture in British Columbia, the British Columbia Ministry of Education and the Education Office of the Consulate-General of the People's Republic of China in Vancouver have partnered to offer the BC-China Award for Excellence in Chinese scholarship for B.C. students. The scholarship provides up to fifty (50) \$500 awards for B.C. students studying Chinese. Each award is jointly funded by the B.C. Ministry of Education (\$250) and the Chinese Consulate in Vancouver (\$250).

**Award Value – \$500**  
**Deadline: March 29, 2018**

### Eligibility Criteria

In order to be eligible to apply for the BC-China Award, applicants must meet all of the following criteria:

- be a Canadian citizen or permanent resident;
- ordinarily reside in British Columbia;
- be of school-age (i.e., not older than 19 years of age by June 30, 2018);
- be enrolled as a full-time Grade 12 student at a public or independent school in British Columbia;
- have completed a Mandarin Chinese language course at the Grade 11 level in British Columbia with a minimum course grade of 86% – course completion attained through challenge equivalency or other course credit is not eligible;
- be enrolled in or have completed a Mandarin Chinese language course at the Grade 12 level; and,
- have attained 73% and above in all completed Grade 11 courses.

### Application Instructions

#### Procedure for Students

Applicants must:

- Complete the Award Application (Part I) and Student Consent Form (Part II) of the application.
- Ensure the Guardian Consent Form (Part III) is completed by the student's guardian.
- Ensure the application includes a written statement and an official or school copy of their transcript.
- Provide the application (with Parts I, II, and III completed) to the school sponsor sufficiently in advance of the deadline – to enable the school sponsor to complete and submit the application on your behalf.

**NOTE:** School sponsors must be the student's Mandarin Chinese language teacher, vice principal or principal, and must agree to nominate the student for the award.

#### Procedure for School Sponsors

School Sponsors must:

- Only nominate a maximum of **5 (five)** applicants for the award. NOTE: No more than **5 (five)** applicants per school will be reviewed by the evaluation committee. Multiple recipients from the same school may be selected by the evaluation committee.
- Complete School Sponsor Information (Parts IV) of the application form.
- School sponsors on behalf of schools should ensure that the student and student's guardian has consented to the disclosure of their information to the British Columbia Council for International Education.
- Submit the entire application package (Parts I, II, III & IV) and all supporting documentation on the student's behalf to the British Columbia Council for International Education (BCCIE) at [bccie@bccie.bc.ca](mailto:bccie@bccie.bc.ca) with a subject line reading "2017-2018 BC-China Award for Excellence in Chinese" in a **single electronic PDF** (i.e., please scan all documents together into a single file) by **March 29, 2018**.

**NOTE:** Late or incomplete submission packages will not be considered.



## AWARD ADMINISTRATION

### Evaluation

- The British Columbia Council for International Education will evaluate and select award recipients.
- Applications will be awarded based on grades, written statements and reference letters. Regional representation will also be taken into account.

### Notification

- Successful applicants and the school sponsor (Mandarin Chinese teacher, vice principal or principal) will be notified by email.
- Notification and a cheque for the full award value will be sent to the student before the end of the school year.
- Successful applicants may be contacted for testimonials and images at a later point to be used for promotional purposes, with their consent.

### Personal Information

- The collection of the personal information on this form is authorized as per Section 26(c) of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, if the applicant attends a public school, or section 8(1) or 12(1)(f)(i) of the *Personal Information Protection Act*, if the applicant attends an independent school. The purpose of the collection is to determine the applicant's eligibility for the scholarship. The personal information will be shared with the Ministry of Education and the British Columbia Council for International Education which will make the final award decision.
- Nominated applicants and their guardians will be asked to consent to the disclosure and use of some of their personal information with the Education Office of the Consulate General in Vancouver of the People's Republic of China for the purposes of promoting the award and evaluating the award program. Shared personal information will be limited to:
  - first name and surname initial;
  - name of the school district or authority; and,
  - the written statement made as part of this application.
- The evaluation of applications will not be influenced by whether or not an applicant consents to the use and disclosure of their personal information.
- Personal information of non-successful applicants will not be shared with the Consulate General.
- Questions regarding the application can be addressed to [bccie@bccie.bc.ca](mailto:bccie@bccie.bc.ca).
- Questions regarding the collection or disclosure of the personal information can be directed to the applicant's school officials or:

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## PART I - Award Application – To Be Completed by the Student Applicant

Applicants must complete and submit Award Application (Part I), Student Consent Form (Part II), and Guardian Consent Form (Part III) to the school sponsor. Ask the school sponsor to complete Sponsor Information (Part IV) and submit all four parts of the application, plus your school transcript and written statement, to the British Columbia Council for International Education at [bccie@bccie.bc.ca](mailto:bccie@bccie.bc.ca) by **March 29, 2018**.

### A. BASIC INFORMATION

Full Name (Given Name, Surname):

Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy):

Telephone Number:

Email Address:

Name of School:

Are you currently enrolled as a full-time Grade 12 student?

YES

NO

Your final Mandarin 11 grade:

Your overall Grade 11 average:

School Sponsor Name (Given Name, Surname):

School Sponsor Job Title (e.g., Mandarin teacher or vice-principal or principal):

### B. STUDENT APPLICANT CITIZENSHIP INFORMATION (CHECK ONE)

Canadian Citizen or

Permanent Resident (Landed Immigrant)

### C. BRITISH COLUMBIA RESIDENCY (PLEASE CHECK)

I ordinarily reside in the Province of British Columbia.

### D. ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA (PLEASE CHECK)

I am currently enrolled as a full-time Grade 12 student at public or independent school in British Columbia.

I have completed a Mandarin Chinese language course at the Grade 11 level in BC with a minimum course grade of 86%.

I am currently enrolled in or have completed Mandarin Chinese language course at the Grade 12 level.

I have attained 73% and above in all completed Grade 11 courses.



### E. STUDENT TRANSCRIPT

Please include an official or school copy of your grade 11 high school transcript and grade 12 enrollment with this application. Transcripts will be used to evaluate applicants. Do not send the transcript in separately from the application. Applications that do not contain a transcript will not be considered.

I have included with this application an official copy of my grade 11 and grade 12 transcript.

### F. WRITTEN STATEMENT

Please provide a written statement of up to a minimum of 250-words in English, addressing the following question:

*Why did you choose to study the Chinese language and how will your studies support your learning and life goals?"*

Written statement must be sent in the same PDF package as the rest of the application. Applications that do not contain the written statement will not be considered.

I have included with this application my written statement.

### G. I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE INSTRUCTIONS, AND DECLARE THAT:

- i. All information provided is true and complete, and I understand it is subject to audit;
- ii. I will be a full-time student at the school named for the period stated; and,
- iii. I will immediately notify the British Columbia Council for International Education in writing if I withdraw from full-time studies at that school.

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Name of Student Applicant

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Signature of Student Applicant

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Today's Date



## PART II - Student Consent Form – To Be Completed by the Student Applicant

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### DECLARATION OF APPLICANT

I CONSENT TO THE USE AND DISCLOSURE, FROM THE TIME OF THE SUBMISSION OF MY APPLICATION, OF

- my given name and my surname initial;
- the name of my school district or independent school; and,
- my personal statement made as a part of this application.

by the Ministry of Education and the British Columbia Council for International Education to the Education Office of the Consulate General in Vancouver of the People's Republic of China for the purposes of promotion of the award to the general public in British Columbia and the People's Republic of China and evaluation of the award program.

**NOTE: Consenting to the sharing of information in this manner is not a criterion of eligibility for the scholarship.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Student Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Student Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Today's Date



### PART III - Guardian Consent Form – To Be Completed by the Student Applicant's Guardian

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#### DECLARATION OF APPLICANT'S GUARDIAN

I CONSENT TO THE USE AND DISCLOSURE, FROM THE TIME OF THE SUBMISSION OF MY CHILD'S APPLICATION, OF

- her or his first name and surname initial;
- the name of her or his school district or independent school; and,
- her or his personal statement made as a part of this application.

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\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Student Applicant (print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Student Applicant's Guardian (print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Student Applicant's Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Today's Date



## PART IV - Sponsor Information – To Be Completed by the Sponsor

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This is application # \_\_\_\_\_ of a total of \_\_\_\_\_ applications the school will submit.

Full Name of Student Applicant (Given Name, Surname): \_\_\_\_\_ Name of School Sponsor (Given Name, Surname): \_\_\_\_\_

School Sponsor Title: \_\_\_\_\_ School Sponsor Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

School Sponsor Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Name of School: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of School District (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_ Region (please refer to the [map](#) on the ministry website): \_\_\_\_\_

### B. REFERENCE LETTER

Include a reference letter from the school sponsor (e.g., Mandarin Chinese language instructor, vice principal or principal) of up to 250-words:

I have included a reference letter from the school sponsor with this application.

## SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

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