

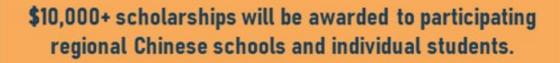
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# 2024 California Capitol Region Chinese Competition & Award Ceremony

Saturday, September 28, 2024, 1 PM - 5 PM

California Northstate University College of Health Sciences 2910 Prospect Park Dr, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670



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Dear Chinese Language Schools, Students, and Community Participants,

This year, the Sacramento Chinese Culture Foundation (SCCF) will be hosting the 2024 California Capitol Region Chinese language and arts competition at California Northstate University, College of Health Sciences. There are a wide variety of competitions for both Chinese language schools and students who study Chinese language, culture, music, and arts in public or private schools within the Greater Sacramento Area. As we celebrate the Mid-Autumn Moon Festival (Zhong Qiu Jie) and the Double Ninth Festival (Chong Yang Jie) to highlight Chinese's cultural events, SCCF will be holding six categories of competitions on Saturday, September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024, and **will distribute \$10,000+ scholarships and awards** to the winning schools, teams, and students.

Chinese language schools are encouraged to participate in the Poster Competition (介紹中 文學校的海報比賽), where the top three schools will be awarded with scholarships to enrich their programs that promote Chinese language and cultural study. Students are also encouraged to participate in the following competitions (比賽項目):

- 1. Interactive Chinese Characters Recognition competition 現場認字比賽
- 2. Drawing/painting competition 繪畫比賽
- 3. Chinese Characters Writing competition 中文書寫比賽
- 4. Chinese Poem recitation contest 中文詩詞朗誦比賽
- 5. Chinese composition contest 中文作文比賽 (AI, ChatGPT, Google or any other automated translation is prohibited.)

All Chinese language schools should prepare their student-teams to compete with other school teams, especially for the Interactive Chinese Characters Recognition competition. Awards will be presented to the top three school winning teams for each of the three grade-level categories.

Community students who are not part of any Chinese language school may also participate in four of the five competitions listed above, including Drawing/Painting, Chinese Characters Writing, Chinese Poem Recitation, and Chinese Composition contest. Each competition will have three groups of contestants and awards will be presented to the top three winning students in each category.

Please refer to the general guidelines below for further details. We encourage schools and students to participate in as many competition categories as you wish. We look forward to celebrating the 2024 mid-Autumn Moon Festival and the Double Ninth Festival with everyone at **2910 Prospect Park Drive, Rancho Cordova, on Saturday, September 28th, 2024.** Best wishes to everyone and have fun in learning Chinese language, culture, and arts.

Sincerely,

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SangSang Ma, PharmD, MBA Scholarship Committee Chair SCCF Scholarship Committee



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# 2024 SCCF General Competition Guidelines

## **Competition General Guidelines:**

- 1. Please read each competition guidelines and standards closely before submitting your competition entry.
- 2. Chinese Language Schools Registration by using QRCode.
  - a. To participate in the Interactive Chinese Characters Recognition competition requires Chinese language schools to also participate in the Chinese Schools Poster competition.
  - b. Early-bird registration by **June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024**, will secure your school **5% extra credit** toward your poster competition. **Deadline is June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024**.
- 3. Individual Student Registration Deadline: July 15th, 2024, by using QRCode.
- 4. All participants are highly encouraged to wear Chinese Traditional outfit or semiformal attires:
  - a. Boys: long pants with button-up shirts. No t-shirt or shorts please.
  - b. **Girls:** dress or long pants with button-up shirts or blouses. No t-shirt, shorts, or tank top please.
- 5. When emailing your competition entry, be sure to follow email **Subject Line** instruction by using the following correct Subject Line entry to ensure your entry is being filed in the right category and group:
  - a. Chinese School Poster Competition Entry: Your School Name
  - b. Interactive Chinese Characters Recognition Competition Entry: Your School Name
  - c. Drawing/Painting Competition Entry: Your Name & Group#
  - d. Chinese Characters Writing Competition Entry: Your Name & Group#
  - e. Chinese Poem Recitation Competition Entry: Your Name & Group#
  - f. Chinese Composition Competition Entry: Your Name & Group#
- 6. Each student may choose to participate in as many competitions as he or she is qualified for the contest.
- 7. SCCF respects decisions of our scholarship committee board members and professional judges. Therefore, all competition selections and decisions are final.

| Competition<br>Category                             | Award Recipient               | Scholarships & Awards: Chinese language school teams and individual students will be awarded on date of competition.   |  |  |  |
|---|-------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Chinese School<br>Poster<br>Competition             | Chinese language schools      | At least 3 Chinese language schools will be recognized, and scholarship will be awarded on November 3 <sup>rd</sup> at SCCF Health Fair event.   |  |  |  |
| Interactive<br>Chinese<br>Characters<br>Recognition | Chinese language school teams | Group 1: 1st Place: \$200; 2nd Place: \$150; 3rd Place: \$100<br>Group 2: 1st Place: \$250; 2nd Place: \$200; 3rd Place: \$150<br>Group 3: 1st Place: \$300; 2nd Place: \$250; 3rd Place: \$200  |  |  |  |
| Drawing/Painting                                    | Individual students           | Group 1: 1st Place: \$100; 2nd Place: \$75; 3rd Place: \$50<br>Group 2: 1st Place: \$125; 2nd Place: \$100; 3rd Place: \$75<br>Group 3: 1st Place: \$150; 2nd Place: \$125; 3rd Place: \$100   |  |  |  |
| Chinese<br>Characters<br>Writing                    | Individual students           | Group 1: 1st Place: \$100; 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place: \$75; 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place: \$50<br>Group 2: 1st Place: \$125; 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place: \$100; 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place: \$75<br>Group 3: 1st Place: \$150; 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place: \$125; 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place: \$100                                     |  |  |  |
| Chinese Poem<br>Recitation                          | Individual students           | Group 1: 1 <sup>st</sup> Place: \$100; 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place: \$75; 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place: \$50<br>Group 2: 1 <sup>st</sup> Place: \$125; 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place: \$100; 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place: \$75<br>Group 3: 1 <sup>st</sup> Place: \$150; 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place: \$125; 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place: \$100 |  |  |  |
| Chinese<br>Composition<br>Contest                   | Individual students           | Group 1: 1st Place: \$100; 2nd Place: \$75; 3rd Place: \$50<br>Group 2: 1st Place: \$125; 2nd Place: \$100; 3rd Place: \$75<br>Group 3: 1st Place: \$150; 2nd Place: \$125; 3rd Place: \$100   |  |  |  |

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# 2024 SCCF Chinese Language School Poster (介紹中文學校的海報比賽) Competition Guidelines

# Competition Entry:

- 1. Use the QRCode to register your school.
- 2. Early-bird registration: June 1st, 2024 (with 5% extra credit)
- 3. Regular registration deadline: June 15th, 2024.



## **Competition Standards:**

- 1 Comprehensively showcase Chinese language programs your school offers to community students.
- 2 Share program outcomes as related to goals achieved over the years (may include pre- and post-pandemic data, such as student participation, grade levels offered, number of students, number of school activities, student achievements, etc.) May include your school's challenges and how they were overcome.
- 3 With additional scholarship funding, what program(s) would you plan to provide, expand, or enrich to further promote Chinese language study at your school.

Poster Size: 36 x 48 (see attached recommendation):



# Poster Submission:

- Submit all poster contents and a photo of your poster display (i.e., like the sample picture displayed above) to SCCF email at <u>scholarship@sccfsac.org</u> by September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024. Please use the following email Subject Line: Poster Competition Entry: Your School Name (for example: Poster Competition Entry: Wisdom Chinese School)
- 2. Provide your Chinese school's name and responsible contact information in the email <u>and</u> on the back of your poster.
- Bring your poster to 2910 Prospect Park Dr., Rancho Cordova and submit it to the event coordinator on competition day – September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024, between 11:00 – 12:00 noon. Late submission will not be accepted.



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# 2024 SCCF Interactive Chinese Characters Recognition 現場認字比賽 Competition Guidelines

## **Competition Entry:**

- > Early-bird registration: June 1st, 2024 (with 5% extra credit)
- Regular registration deadline: June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

#### **Competition Standards:**



- Chinese language schools must participate in the Chinese School Poster Competition for their students to compete in the Interactive Chinese Characters Recognition competition. Each school can participate in all three group competitions or less.
- Each competition team is formed by three students. Different school teams will be competing basing on their Chinese Grade Level as of May 2024. There will be 3 competition groups:
- > Group 1: Chinese Grade Level 1st to 3rd graders 中文課程年級 1-3 年級組
- Group 2: Chinese Grade Level 4<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> graders 中文課程年級 4-6 年級組
- ➤ Group 3: Chinese Grade Level 7<sup>th</sup> grade & higher 中文課程年級7年級以上組
- 3. Each school team of three students will take turn to push the button to compete with other teams. The student who pushed the button will need to respond and read out the Chinese character(s) display(s) on screen.
- 4. Top three school teams will be selected for each competition group and award will be presented to the represented Chinese language school. It is up to the winning Chinese language school to distribute scholarships to their students.

### Student Team Submission by September 1st, 2024:

- 1 For the registered and participating Chinese Schools, principals need to email SCCF at <u>scholarship@sccfsac.org</u>, their student names, age, Chinese school grade level, and competing group categories their students will compete in. Please use the following email Subject Line: Chinese Character Competition Entry: Your School Name (for example: Chinese Character Competition Entry: Wisdom Chinese School
- 2 Participating schools need to submit Chinese characters they use to prepare their students for the competition. Be sure to submit characters for the group you registered to participate in. For example, if your school decided to participate in all 3 groups, then all 3 groups Chinese characters must be submitted. SCCF Scholarship and Competition committee will select Chinese characters from all competing schools according to their Chinese grade level. Please use the following email Subject Line: Chinese Character Competition Entry: Your School Name (for example: Chinese Character Competition Entry: Wisdom Chinese School).
- 3 Submission of student names and teams after September 1<sup>st</sup> will not be accepted.



# 2024 SCCF Drawing & Painting 繪畫比賽 Competition Guidelines

## Competition Standards:

- 1. Registration: use the QRCode to register by July 15th, 2024
- 2. Painting Size: at least 8.5 x 11 or larger
- 3. Painting material: no restriction. Canvas is welcome.
- **4. Topics**: Related to Moon festival or Double Ninth festival with a short Chinese poem or phrase on it.
- Group Category: Three competition groups according to age, not grade. As of 09/30/2024, if a student's birthday is 09/30/11, the student is considered 13 years old and if the birthday is 10/1/2011, the student's age is considered 12 years old. 以 09/30/2024 為界,即生日若為 09/30/11,學生年齡按十三歲計算;若生日為 10/1/2024,年齡是十二歲
  - > Group 1: 8 years old or younger 八歲及八歲以下
  - ➤ Group 2: 9-12 years 九歲至十二歲
  - ➤ Group 3: 13-18 years 十三至十八歲
- 5. Entry Submission:
  - a. Email a photo of your panting/drawing to SCCF at <u>scholarship@sccfsac.org</u> by September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024. Please use the following email Subject Line: Drawing/Painting Competition Entry: Your Name & Group# (for example: Drawing/Painting Competition Entry: Jessica Wang Group 2). Late submission will not be accepted.
  - b. Bring your drawing/painting to 2910 Prospect Park Dr., Rancho Cordova and submit it to the event coordinator on competition day – September 28th, 2024, between 11:00 - 12:00 noon. Late submission will not be accepted.
  - c. Your entry must include the following information in the email <u>and</u> on the back of the painting/drawing:

| Information<br>Required | Student<br>Name       | Age | Group | Chinese School<br>Name                               |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|-----|-------|--|
| Example                 | First Last<br>(Print) | 15  | 3     | N/A for students not<br>part of a Chinese<br>School. |

6. Selection and decision from professional judges are final. Semi-finalists and winners' works will be showcased at the Exhibit Hall during the competition event. Winners will be announced at the award ceremony toward the end of the competition event.





# 2024 SCCF Chinese Characters Writing 中文書寫比賽 Competition Guidelines

#### **Competition Standards:**

- 2. Registration: use the QRCode to register by July 15th, 2024
- 3. Paper Size: at least 8.5 x 11 or larger
- 4. Material: 0.7 mm sharpie pen
- 5. Type of writing: Traditional or simplified Chinese are acceptable.
- 6. Topics: See below Moon festival Chinese poem specified for each age group\*
- 7. Group Category: Three competition groups according to age, not grade. As of 09/30/2024, if a student's birthday is 09/30/11, the student is considered 13 years old and if the birthday is 10/1/2011, the student's age is considered 12 years old. 以 09/30/2024 為界,即生日若為 09/30/11,學生年齡按十三歲計算;若生日為 10/1/2024,年齡是十二歲
  - > Group 1: 8 years old or younger 八歲及八歲以下
  - ➤ Group 2: 9-12 years 九歲至十二歲
  - ➤ Group 3: 13-18 years 十三至十八歲
- 8. Submission time and address:
  - a. Email a photo of your final work to SCCF at <u>scholarship@sccfsac.org</u> by September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024. Please use the following email Subject Line: Character Writing Competition Entry: Your Name & Group# (for example: Character Writing Competition Entry: Jessica Wang Group 2). Late submission will not be accepted.
  - b. Bring your competition entry to 2910 Prospect Park Dr., Rancho Cordova and submit it to the event coordinator on competition day – September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024, between 11:00 - 12:00 noon. Late submission will not be accepted.
  - a) Your competition entry must include the following information in the email <u>and</u> on the back of your work:

| Information<br>Required | Student Name       | Age | Group | Chinese School Name                               |
|-------------------------|--------------------|-----|-------|---|
| Example                 | First Last (Print) | 15  | 3     | N/A for students not part<br>of a Chinese School. |

 Selection and decision from professional judges are final. Semi-finalists and winners' works will be showcased at the Exhibit Hall during the competition event. Winners will be announced at the award ceremony toward the end of the competition event.

# <u>\*Group 1 Poem:</u> 李白《靜夜思》

床前明月光,疑是地上霜。舉頭望明月,低頭思故鄉。

# \*Group 2 Poem: 王維《九月九日憶山東兄弟》

獨在異鄉為異客,每逢佳節倍思親。遙知兄弟登高處,遍插茱萸少一人。

# \*Group 3 Poem: 蘇軾《水調歌頭·明月幾時有》

明月幾時有?把酒問青天。不知天上宮闕,今夕是何年?我欲乘風歸去, 又恐瓊樓玉宇,高處不勝寒。起舞弄清影,何似在人間?





2024 SCCF Chinese Poem Recitation 中文詩詞朗誦比賽 **Competition Guidelines** 

**Competition Standards:** 

- 1. Registration: use the QRCode to register by July 15th, 2024
- 2. **Performance time**: at least 1 minute, no more than 3 minutes.
- 3. **Poem theme**: no restriction, may choose to recite Chinese traditional or contemporary poem, etc.



4. Required introduction before reciting poem:

On stage, contestant starts with: 我是 xxx (name), xxx 中文學校 (optional if student is not attending any Chinese school)。今天我很高兴参加 SCCF 举办中文诗朗 誦比賽。Contestant then states poem title and start recital.

- 5. **Group Category**: each school may choose to participate in any or all groups. Three competition groups according to **Chinese Grade Level on May 2024**.
- > Group 1: Chinese Grade Level 1st to 3rd graders 中文課程年級 1-3 年級組
- > Group 2: Chinese Grade Level 4<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> graders 中文課程年級 4-6 年級組

Group 3: Chinese Grade Level 7<sup>th</sup> grade & higher 中文課程年級 7 年級以上組 <u>Note:</u> Competing team may consist of one or more students (i.e., student playing accompaniment music, etc.)

#### 6. Performance requirement:

- Dress code: Prefer traditional Chinese\* attire or formal wear; T-shirt and short pants are not acceptable.
- Poem Recital semi-finalists will be entered into competition to recite poems on stage.
  - All recitations must be memorized.
  - Poem recital should match with background music, which needs to be submitted in advance with MP3 file.

### \*Extra credit will be considered for:

- 1) traditional Chinese outfit matching performance theme
- 2) live music accompaniment or acting performance matching poem theme.
- Submission: All entries must be videorecorded and submitted to SCCF at <u>scholarship@sccfsac.org</u> by September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024. Please use the following email Subject Line: Poem Recital Competition Entry: Your Name & Group# (for example: Poem Recital Competition Entry: Jessica Wang Group 2). Late submission will not be accepted.

#### Email submission with the following information:

| Information | Student                      | Poem Title | Group | Chinese School                                       |
|-------------|------------------------------|------------|-------|--|
| Required    | name                         |            |       | Name   |
| Example     | First & Last<br>Name (Print) | X          | 1     | N/A for students not<br>part of a Chinese<br>School. |

- 8. Winners will be notified by **September 15<sup>th</sup>**, **2024**, and **1<sup>st</sup> Place winners** are required to perform on stage at the competition event.
- 9. Selection and decision from professional judges are final. Winners will be awarded toward the end of competition event.



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# 2024 SCCF Chinese Composition 中文作文比賽 Competition Guidelines

### **Competition Standards:**

- 1. Registration: use the QRCode to register by July 15th, 2024
- 2. **Composition**: handwritten essay in Chinese characters with at least 200 characters or more.
- 3. Topic: Students may choose one of the following topics to write an essay:
  - a. China is an ancient country with more than five thousand years of history. Modern China has many great places for travel and visit. If you have been to China, which province or city did you visit? Share your experience as related to Chinese culture, foods, and appreciation of Chinese culture. If you have not been to China, is there a specific province or city you would like to visit some day? What is it that attracted you most as related to appreciation of Chinese culture, foods, arts, etc.?
  - b. Chinese world-wide is renowned for celebrating many holidays and festivals. Which Chinese festival do you and your family celebrate? Describe the festival and compare how your celebration in the United States may be different from those in China. Would you like to be in China someday to celebrate that festival in the traditional way?
- 4. Group Category: participant will be competing according to Chinese Grade Level on May 2024.
- > Group 1: Chinese Grade Level 1st to 3rd graders 中文課程年級 1-3 年級組
- ▶ Group 2: Chinese Grade Level 4th to 6th graders 中文課程年級 4-6 年級組
- ▶ Group 3: Chinese Grade Level 7<sup>th</sup> grade & higher 中文課程年級 7 年級以上組
- 5. Submission:
  - a. Submit your Chinese handwritten essay to SCCF at <u>scholarship@sccfsac.org</u> by September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024. Please use the following email Subject Line: Composition Contest Entry: Your Name & Group# (for example: Composition Contest Entry: Jessica Wang Group 2). Late submission will not be accepted.
  - b. Include the following information in the email and on your essay:

| Information<br>Required | Student<br>name              | Chinese<br>Grade | Group | Chinese School<br>Name                 |
|-------------------------|------------------------------|------------------|-------|--|
| Example                 | First & Last<br>Name (Print) | 5                | 2     | N/A for students not part of a Chinese |
|                         |                              |                  |       | School.                                |

- 6. Selection and decision from professional judges are final. Semi-finalists and winners' works will be showcased at the Exhibit Hall during the competition event.
- Winners will be notified by September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024, and all 1<sup>st</sup> Place winners are required to read your essay on stage at the competition event.

