

**2019 NORTH
CAROLINA
CHINESE
SPEECH
CONTEST**

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about the speech contest

PURPOSE

To provide a stage for Chinese learners across North Carolina to present their Chinese speaking skills, increase their understanding of Chinese language and culture, and inspire more local people to study Chinese.

LEVELS

Contestants will be placed into two major groups (immersion & non-immersion) based on the school's classification. Each contestant is required to specify his/her total Chinese class hours on the registration form. The judging committee will then place each contestant into a specific level based on the contestant's length of study. Please see below for level and group divisions:

Immersion: Lower & Higher

Non-Immersion: Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced

CONTESTANTS

Non-heritage¹ Chinese speakers (K-12) who are currently living in North Carolina. Please note beginning this year, we no longer accept college/university students in our Speech Contest, but we recommend those still interested in competing to participate in the Chinese Bridge Speech Contest hosted by Hanban.

JUDGES

The judging committee will include Chinese faculties from the Confucius Institute, and Chinese teachers and scholars from the local community.

ORGANIZER

Confucius Institute at NC State University

CONTACT

Confucius Institute Website: <http://confucius.ncsu.edu>
Contest Page: <https://confucius.ncsu.edu/programs/chinese-contests/>
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¹ Contestants who grew up in a non-Chinese environment are considered non-heritage. Contestants of Chinese descent may be asked to clarify background.

speech contest procedure

REGISTRATION

January 7 - February 5, 2019

Please submit an online registration form at: <https://goo.gl/forms/NmUEmN4StLK34P2m2>

School information and Chinese class hours must be specified.

Contestant's level will be decided by the judging committee after the registration period ends.

This form will officially close on February 5th, 2019 at 11:59 pm (ET).

We will not accept anymore registrations after the registration form closes, no exceptions.

Be sure to check your registration and submission statuses at: <http://bit.ly/2019clc-status>

PRELIMINARY ROUND

January 7 - February 5, 2019

Please submit a short video through the online form <https://form.jotform.com/ncsuci/2019clc-submission>

Contestants are encouraged to creatively showcase his/her Chinese level, acceptable ways include story-telling, reading, etc.

The video must be in Chinese and should not exceed 3 minutes in length.

Video contents must be submitted through the online form listed above, video submission through email attachments and/or other methods will not be accepted.

Video submission form will officially close on February 5th, 2019 at 11:59 pm (ET).

Preliminary round results will be announced on March 8th, 2019.

FINAL ROUND

April 13, 2019 | NC State University Campus, Raleigh, NC

All finalists will be invited to compete in the final round.

During the final round, contestants will be asked to, in Chinese, give a memorized speech, describe an image, or answer a question, specific format will depend on each contestant's level. We will announce final round details to the finalists after March 8th, 2019.

Finalists who travel far to compete in the final round may apply for transportation compensation.

speech contest awards

IMMERSION

Level 1

One 1st Prize:	worth \$150
One 2nd Prize:	worth \$100
One 3rd Prize:	worth \$75
One Speech Eloquence Award:	worth \$25
One Stage Charisma Award:	worth \$25
One Best Talent Award:	worth \$25

Level 2

One 1st Prize:	worth \$200
One 2nd Prize:	worth \$150
One 3rd Prize:	worth \$100
One Speech Eloquence Award:	worth \$25
One Stage Charisma Award:	worth \$25
One Best Talent Award:	worth \$25

NON-IMMERSION

Beginner Level

One 1st Prize:	worth \$75
One 2nd Prize:	worth \$50
One 3rd Prize:	worth \$25

Intermediate Level

One 1st Prize:	worth \$100
One 2nd Prize:	worth \$75
One 3rd Prize:	worth \$50
One Speech Eloquence Award:	worth \$25
One Stage Charisma Award:	worth \$25
One Best Talent Award:	worth \$25

Advanced Level

One 1st Prize:	worth \$150
One 2nd Prize:	worth \$100
One 3rd Prize:	worth \$75
One Speech Eloquence Award:	worth \$25
One Stage Charisma Award:	worth \$25
One Best Talent Award:	worth \$25

OUTSTANDING ORGANIZATION

We will grant special awards to teachers/organizations based on the number of students recommended, number of winners, and previous participations.

Award winners will be decided and notified after March 25th.