



You are invited to celebrate your student's achievements in their study of Chinese language

Fifth Annual Chinese Proficiency Award Ceremony and Reception

Saturday, October 7, 2017 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. University of Minnesota, <u>Ted Mann Concert Hall</u>

Please join the Confucius Institute at the University of Minnesota and the Minnesota Department of Education at the fifth annual Chinese Proficiency Award Ceremony and Reception. This event will recognize your student for successful performance on the 2017 Youth Chinese Test (YCT), Hanyu Shuiping Kaoshi (HSK) Chinese proficiency test, Assessment of Performance toward Proficiency in Languages (AAPPL), the STAMP Proficiency Assessment, the Advanced Placement (AP) Exam, and/or the International Baccalaureate (IB) Exam for Chinese.

We are pleased that Educational Consul Chen Yinghui from the Consulate General of the People's Republic of China in Chicago will provide opening remarks. Additional remarks will be provided by a representative of the Minnesota Department of Education and Joan Brzezinski, Executive Director of the Confucius Institute at the University of Minnesota. Students will cross the stage to receive congratulations for their awards. After the ceremony students and their families are invited to celebrate at a reception with light refreshments.

The following students will be honored at the event:

Students who demonstrated that they have reached Advanced Low (ACTFL scale)
or higher in listening, speaking, reading, and writing on an assessment conducted
during their 10th, 11th, or 12th-grade years will be recognized for progress

- towards achieving Minnesota's newly created State Bilingual Platinum Seal on their high school diploma. (The seal must be requested by the student's high school.)
- Students who demonstrated that they have reached Intermediate High (ACTFL scale) in listening, speaking, reading, and writing on an assessment conducted during their 10th, 11th, or 12th-grade years will be recognized for progress towards achieving Minnesota's newly created State Bilingual Gold Seal on their high school diploma. (The seal must be requested by the student's high school.)
- Students who demonstrated that they have reached Advanced Low (ACTFL scale)
 or higher in listening, speaking, reading, and writing on an assessment conducted
 prior to 10th grade will be recognized by the Confucius Institute with a newly
 established Confucius Institute High Chinese Proficiency Award.
- Students who demonstrated that they have reached Intermediate-Low (ACTFL scale) in listening, speaking, reading, and writing, will be awarded the Minnesota World Language Proficiency Certificate. This certificate of achievement is offered by the state as stipulated in Minnesota Statute section 120B.022.
- Students who passed the HSK-2 and the YCT-3 will be awarded the Confucius Institute Progress Award for demonstrated proficiency in listening and reading.

Please RSVP using our online form by September 29, 2017.

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We hope you will join us in recognizing Minnesota's distinguished Chinese language learners!