



SAN DIEGO CHINESE WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION 2020

SECTION I - GENERAL INFORMATION

Scholarships will be awarded in June 2020 to selected outstanding students of Chinese descent who are graduating from high schools in San Diego County.

Two types of scholarships are available, based upon the post-secondary degree sought:

- A one-time \$1,500 scholarship for use at a four-year university or college toward a baccalaureate degree (BA or BS)
- A one-time \$1,000 scholarship for use at a two-year community college or vocational program toward an associate degree (AA or AS) or certificate

The total number of scholarships to be awarded will depend on availability of funding and the number of deserving applicants.

Your application materials must be **postmarked by Friday, March 20, 2020**.

More information about the San Diego Chinese Women's Association and a copy of this scholarship application can be found online at: <http://sdcwa.net/scholarships/>

SECTION II - ELIGIBILITY

Open to male and female students, applicants must be:

A. at least one-quarter Chinese descent; and,

B. graduating from a San Diego County high school no later than end of academic year 2019-2020 (typically, June 2020); and,

C. If applying for the \$1,500 four-year university/college scholarship:

- Have a minimum grade point average of 3.0/weighted; and,
- Have immediate plans for attendance at a four-year university or college.

or

D. If applying for the \$1,000 community college/vocational program scholarship:

- Have a minimum grade point average of 2.5; and,
- Have immediate plans for attendance at a two-year community college or vocational program.

SECTION III – SUBMISSION

1. Application Form

Complete the Application Form. All submissions must be in English.

2. Extracurricular Activities (length: maximum one page, typed and double-spaced)

On a sheet separate from the Application Form, describe one to three activities in which you participate. Examples may include, but are not limited to, school activities, volunteerism outside of school and family responsibilities. If you presently or in the past were employed part-time or full-time, be sure to include it with a brief description of the experience. **DO NOT** include your name on this section.

3. Participation in Chinese Cultural Activities (OPTIONAL)

On a sheet separate from the Application Form, you may include an optional listing of your involvement in Chinese cultural activities, briefly describing your level of participation. **DO NOT** include your name on this additional sheet.

4. Essay (length: maximum two pages, typed and double-spaced)

On sheets separate from the Application Form, respond to the following prompt:

ESSAY TOPIC: How does your Chinese heritage influence your life?

DO NOT include your name on this section.

5. Letter of Recommendation

Submit one personal recommendation letter written by a teacher, school counselor, principal, mentor or employer. The recommendation can describe your character, interpersonal relationships, skills/talents or other reasons why you deserve the scholarship. The person making the recommendation must include his/her name, position/title and contact information.

This letter must be submitted in a sealed envelope and included **WITH** your application materials; do **NOT** submit it separately from the rest of your application.

6. Official Transcript

If applying to a four-year university/college: Submit an official transcript (grades 9 – 12) from your high school(s), which includes your grades from the first semester of your senior year and SAT or ACT scores. If your school does not include SAT/ACT scores on its transcripts, submit the printout of your scores from the College Board or ACT website.

If applying to a two-year degree/vocational program: Submit an official transcript (grades 9 – 12) from your high school(s), which includes your grades from the first semester of your senior year. Inclusion of your SAT/ACT scores is optional.

DEADLINE: Your application must be postmarked by **Friday, March 20, 2020**. Review application guidelines carefully; check that your application is complete.

- ___ Application form
- ___ Extracurricular activities
- ___ Chinese cultural activities (opt.)
- ___ Essay
- ___ Letter of recommendation
- ___ Transcript

Incomplete applications or those postmarked after the deadline will not be reviewed.
All sections of the application should be sent in one packet to:

**SDCWA Scholarship Committee
P.O. Box 881882
San Diego, CA 92168-1882**

If you have questions, please contact Tanya Chen, Scholarship Committee Co-Chair at tanyadell@aol.com

**SAN DIEGO CHINESE WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION (SDCWA)
2020 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM**

Scholarship for (choose one): 4-year university/college
 2-year community college/vocational program

Name _____ Birthdate _____

Home Address _____

City/Zip Code _____

Phone (____) _____ E-mail _____

Male Female Percent Chinese descent _____

Explain/describe your Chinese lineage _____

Parents'/Guardians' Names _____

GPA _____ or GPA (Cumulative weighted) _____

Best SAT/ACT score (4-yr university applicants only) _____

High School _____

School Address _____

Person to contact at school if you are selected _____

Person's Title: Counselor Teacher Other: (specify) _____

Contact person's phone (____) _____

Your employment experience (check all that apply):

part-time during school year part-time summer job full-time summer job

STATEMENT OF ACCURACY

I certify, to the best of my knowledge, that the information I have provided in this scholarship application is accurate.

Student Applicant Signature

PERMISSION TO RELEASE RECIPIENT'S IDENTITY

The names of scholarship recipients, their parents/guardians, and schools may be identified in print and electronic media (SDCWA website) in order to announce results of this competition. Please check the appropriate spaces below, and provide signatures (if over age 18 years, no parent/guardian signature is required.)

I agree to be recognized in SDCWA publicity materials: Yes No

I agree to release my parents' names in SDCWA publicity materials: Yes No

Student Applicant Signature

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date