



SAN DIEGO CHINESE WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

2023 SCHOLARSHIP

SECTION I - GENERAL INFORMATION

Scholarships will be awarded in June 2023 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.

Application materials must be emailed (PDF or scans) **by Friday, March 31, 2023**. E-mail to: SDCWA.10@gmail.com with subject line: SDCWA Scholarship Application 2023.

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 both 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 2022-2023 (typically, June 2023); and,
- C. If applying for the \$1,500 four-year university/college scholarship:
 - Have a minimum grade point average of 2.5/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.



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SECTION III - SUBMISSION

1. Application Form

Complete the Application Form on page 4 of this document. All submissions must be in English.

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

On a page 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. Essay (length: maximum two pages, typed and double-spaced)

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

ESSAY TOPIC: Social Media in our Daily Lives

Social media plays a big part in all our lives. It helps us stay connected to friends, family, interests, and information. But it may also expose harmful influences.

In your essay please include the following:

1. Discuss the positive and negative facets of social media.
2. Identify the strategies a student could use to resist the pressure to conform.
3. Create a plan of recovery in the case of a negative experience.
4. Describe an ideal balance between what is shared, and what is kept private.

DO NOT include your name on this section.

4. Letter of Recommendation

Submit one personal recommendation letter from 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 SEPARATELY from your application materials and sent directly from the person making the recommendation via email to:

SDCWA.10@gmail.com with subject line: SDCWA Scholarship 2023 - Letter of Recommendation.



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5. Official High School Transcript

Submit an official transcript from your high school(s), which includes your grades from the first semester of your senior year. Inclusion of SAT/ACT scores is optional.

6. FAFSA Application (OPTIONAL) Please submit a copy of your **FAFSA** (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) Submission Online Confirmation Page showing the EFC (Expected Family Contribution) value.

7. Participation in Chinese Cultural Activities (OPTIONAL)

On a page 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 page.

8. Permission to Release Identity

Complete and sign the form on page 5 of this document.

DEADLINE: Your application must be received by **Friday, March 31, 2023**.

Review application guidelines carefully; check that your application is complete and all required material is submitted on time.

- ___ Application form
- ___ Extracurricular activities (*Do not include your name on this section*)
- ___ Essay (*Do not include your name on this section*)
- ___ Letter of recommendation (*sent separately*)
- ___ Official Transcript
- ___ Copy of FAFSA Submission Online Confirmation Page (optional)
- ___ Chinese cultural activities (optional) (*Do not include your name on this section*)
- ___ Signed and dated permission to release identity form

Incomplete applications or those submitted after the deadline of March 31, 2023 will not be reviewed. The application and all required material should be sent to: SDCWA.10@gmail.com (with subject line: SDCWA Scholarship Application 2023).

If you have questions, please submit in a separate email addressed to the Scholarship Committee at SDCWA.10@gmail.com (with subject line: SDCWA Scholarship Application 2023 Questions).



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2023 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

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

Name _____

Home Address _____

City/Zip Code _____

Phone (____) _____

Email _____

Percent Chinese descent _____

Explain/describe your Chinese lineage _____

Parents'/Guardians'

Names _____

GPA _____ or GPA (Cumulative weighted) _____

Best SAT/ACT score (Optional) _____

High School _____

School Address _____

Person to contact at school if you are selected

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

Contact'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



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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 and Facebook page) to announce results of this competition. Please check the appropriate spaces, and sign below. If under age 18 years, a parent/guardian signature is required.

Note, award of scholarship is not based on the elections made on this form.

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