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2017 ~ 2018 Chinese Speech Class and Final Contests

- Purpose:** To promote students' ability and interest in spoken Chinese and to enhance students' Chinese competence.
- Who:** Class Contest - All students. Final Contest – Winners in the Class Contest.
- When:** Class Contest will be held on 12/17/2017;
The Final Contest 1/21/2018: Groups A, B, E. 1/28/2018: Groups C, D, F.
The winners of the final contest will be qualified to participate in inter-school contests,
i. e. NJ Tzu Chi Cup Speech Contest, NJ Association of Chinese Schools Speech Contest, etc.
- Where:** Class Contest will be held in each classroom; The Final Contest will be held in Sutra Lecture Hall
(on the second floor of Tzu Chi Academy)
- Age Groups :** Age calculation base date: April 28, 2018.

- Group A** --- Age 13 +
- Group B** --- Age 10 ~ 12
- Group C** --- Age 7 ~ 9
- Group D** --- Age 5 ~ 6
- Group E** --- Age 13 ~ 17 (CSL classes)
- Group F** --- Age 7 ~ 12 (CSL Classes)

Group Themes:

- Group A - Spiritual Growth: e.g. A book that inspired me; Learning from an unforgettable Experience; Be the master of your own life.
- Group B - Cooperation: e.g. Cooking with Dad; My experience with home chores; Power of Cooperation.
- Group C - Frugality: e.g. My Grandmother; My father's antique shoes; Toys that kept me company for many years.
- Group D - Etiquette: e.g. I want to be a good kid; Good habits; Please, Thank You, I am Sorry



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Group E - Perseverance: e.g. Experience of Learning Chinese; I DID IT; Daily exercise keeps the Doctors away

Group F – Passion: e.g. The person/object/issue that I have passion about.

Length of Speech :

Groups A and B: 2½ ~ 3 minutes; **Group C:** 2 ~ 2½ minutes;

Group D: 1½ ~ 2 minutes; **Groups E and F:** 1½ ~ 2½ minutes.

Contest Rules and Regulations:

1. All participants can choose their own topics under the theme;
2. Criteria: Pronunciation 30%; Intonation 30%; Content 20%; Manner 20% and Time 10%; (Every 10 seconds after the Recitation and Speech time results in one point deduction, with 10 points as the maximum deduction.)
3. Numbers of Top Winners are determined in proportion to the total number of contesters in each Class (Class Contest), and in each Group (Final Contest).

2- 4 contesters (one top winner)

5 -7 contesters (two top winners)

8+ contesters (three top winners)

Additional Honorable winners depending on the total number of participants for each class (Class Contest), and each Group (Final Contest).

4. Awards: Winners in Class Contest will receive Award Certificate. Winners in The Final Contest will receive Award Certificate, and each of the first 3 winners will also earn their Trophies. They also are qualified to participate inter-school speech contests.
5. If you have any questions, please consult the Office of Academic Affairs.

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