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## SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

### Edmonton Students to Compete for Canada in "Chinese Bridge" International Final in Beijing

Three high school students from Edmonton will help represent Canada at the 6<sup>th</sup> international competition in Chinese language and cultural knowledge, in Beijing. The competition will stretch from October 20 through November 4<sup>th</sup>. Sponsored by the Confucius Institute in Edmonton, the three students (pictured left to right), Drew Parker of McNally High School, Ivy Friesen from Ross Sheppard High School and Shawna Truong of McNally High School, were selected to compete in Beijing as a result of their strong performance at the provincial *Alberta Chinese Bridge Competition*, held last spring in Edmonton at the Confucius Institute in Edmonton.

The annual Chinese Bridge Competition is an opportunity for learners of Chinese language, at all levels, to demonstrate their skills in Chinese language and their understanding of Chinese culture. This represents the third time students from Edmonton have been chosen to represent Canada in this competition, showing the strength of the Chinese Bilingual Program provided through Edmonton Public Schools. These students, along with 2000 other district students, are becoming fluent in Chinese language to their own benefit and the benefit of Alberta.

The students will be accompanied by Dr. Mianmain Xie, the Cultural Coordinator for the Confucius Institute in Edmonton and a teacher of Chinese at Ottewell Junior High. Dr. Xie coached a team from drawn from Edmonton in 2009 which finished 3<sup>rd</sup> in the world.

The Confucius Institute sponsors the Alberta competition which draws students from schools across Alberta in which Chinese language is studied. The competition is growing every year and provides, a large number of scholarship opportunities for study in China, as well as contributing to the pool from which can be drawn members of the Canadian competition team. Hundreds of competitors from over 100 nations will be in China for the event which is sponsored by the Chinese government. Results of the completion will be posted on this website following the conclusion of the competition.

For more information on this event, or on the next Chinese Bridge competition in the spring of 2014, please contact Brenda Chan (780-970-5233) or [Brenda.chan@confuciusedmonton.ca](mailto:Brenda.chan@confuciusedmonton.ca)

You can also check the website at: <http://confuciusedmonton.ca/learn-more/chinese-bridge/>

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