



US China Peoples Friendship Association (USCPFA) Houston Chapter Scholarship

Background:

The US-China Peoples Friendship Association® (USCPFA) is a nonprofit, tax-exempt, 501(c)(3) educational organization. Our goal is to develop and strengthen friendship and understanding between the peoples of the United States and China.

To the Scholarship Applicant:

Thank you for your request for information regarding the USCPFA's Scholarship for the current year. Your application must be filled out **COMPLETELY** and **SIGNED** before submitting. Omissions can cause your application to be delayed or even denied.

ELIGIBILITY/REQUIREMENTS:

1. The **USCPFA Scholarship** is available to any student from the high school junior year through the college freshman year inclusive. The high school applicant should have a "B" average high school GPA or higher and be ready to pursue college level studies (i.e. no remediation needed). The college applicant should have a "B" average college GPA (3.0) or higher and must not be on academic probation. Additionally, the applicant's intended studies must lead to some sort of connection to China (to include but not limited to the study of the Chinese language, Chinese medicine, Chinese literature, Chinese history, Chinese art, Technology).
2. Recipients of the scholarship **must be in the process of planning for a trip or be willing to take a trip to China.**
3. Recipients of this scholarship must **be willing to share their trip upon return**, by written reports, by public speaking to interested support groups using slides and lecture presentation, or by performance. Attach a single page which outlines your plan for sharing this trip upon your return, indicating whether by written report, by lecture, media presentation, or performance. Include enough detail that your plan will be clear to the selection committee what you plan to do and for whom.
4. Awards will be granted to students with the highest qualifications in conjunction with other considerations based on funds available.
The other considerations will include but are not limited to:
 - 2 letters of recommendation
 - Involvement in social events
 - Short essay in which applicant should tell the scholarship committee about:
 - him/her self
 - why he/she may want to visit China
 - what benefits he/she hopes to gain through this opportunity
 - the impact of globalization on the greater Houston area
 - Applicant should also state what will be his or her goals beyond high school or college and how this experience will help them achieve these goals.

5. Award amount:
There are two scholarships for the amount of **\$1,000.00 per applicant** to be used towards a trip to China
6. Attach a copy of your high school or college transcript along with a list of courses you are taking or plan to take. Donors to the USCPFA Scholarship Fund are investing in you and your future. It is important, therefore, that you have a well defined career or educational goal.
7. Applicants must be **U. S. citizens** or **permanent residents**.
8. **APPLICATION DEADLINE:**
Applications should be received by the USCPFA scholarship committee **no later than September 30, 2008**.
9. **TRAVEL DEADLINE (WINDOW):**
Scholarship recipient must undertake the trip to China between **September 01, 2008** and **September 01, 2009**.

Mail your signed application form and all required attachments to:

US China Peoples Friendship Association (USCPFA)
Houston Chapter - Scholarship Committee
6200 Savoy, Suite 458, Houston, Texas 77036
Phone: (713) 782-5577 Fax: (713) 456-2864

Important Note:

- (i) Please note that if you are the recipient of the scholarship award but cannot make the trip to China due to unforeseen or any other circumstances, you will be requested and expected to promptly return the funds to USCPFA and the money will be put back into the Scholarship Fund.
- (ii) The application deadline may be changed as seen fit by the USCPFA Scholarship Committee



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Check Type:

High School

College

(Please Type or Use Black Ink)

Do Not Write In This Space

Last Name First Name MI Social Security #

Acknowledge Receipt: _____

Home Address City County State Zip

Year: _____

Home Phone # Work Phone #

Season: FA SG SM

Student ID# _____

Status: HS CO

Email Address: _____

Term GPA: _____

Age: _____ Gender: _____ Race: _____

College GPA: _____

Combo GPA: _____

TO BE CONSIDERED FOR A SCHOLARSHIP AWARD, MAKE SURE YOU ATTACH THE APPROPRIATE DOCUMENTS AS SPECIFIED IN ITEMS 3 & 5 OF THE APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS.

Rank: _____

Amt: 1,000 500 ZERO

Your Signature is Required and by Signing Your Signature...

1. Expressly grants USCPFA access to your student academic records and the confidential release of information to respective donor/contributors to your scholarship.
2. Certifies that you will not engage in the unlawful manufacturing, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance.

Init: _____

Signature _____

Date _____

Follow Up:

Date: _____

Status: _____

Return the application and all required attachments to:

Award Letter Sent: _____

Scholarship Committee

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Denial Letter Sent: _____

Other:

The USCPFA does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, or handicap