



**Association of Chinese Americans, Inc.**  
**Chinese Community Center**  
**32585 Concord Drive, Madison Heights, MI 48071**  
**(248) 585-9343**

April 27, 2013

Dear Educator:

The **Association of Chinese Americans (ACA)** is offering academic scholarships to high school students of the **Class of 2014** in the Metropolitan Detroit area. We urge you as high school principals and counselors to submit nominations for these scholarships by **June 14, 2013**. ACA has offered scholarships for the last 29 years. Please provide **your or your school's e-mail address** for quicker notice of future ACA scholarship opportunities.

As many as ten (10) scholarships will be awarded for different criteria. Scholarships will be awarded to students who are judged to:

- (1) be among the **most outstanding** from an elite group of young scholars, or
- (2) excel beyond **physical disability or other personal hardship** to attend college
- (3) same as (1) plus having 5 years of Chinese language schooling

Qualified individuals will be recognized for their achievements at the High School Achievement Awards Banquet to be held in December, 2013.

The **Detroit Chinese Engineers Association (DCEA)** will once again join the program by offering two \$1,000 scholarships to the Class of 2014 applicants who are proclaiming a major in **Engineering**. The **Council of Asian Pacific Americans** is offering scholarships to Class of 2014 students planning to major in business, accounting or Asian Pacific American studies at an in-state college.

Nominees must complete the application with transcript, essay, and interview. The essay form will be sent under separate cover to each nominee at the end of summer. Each nominee will be required to express their college plans and career goals in a 15-minute interview with the High School Achievement Awards Scholarship Committee to be held in October, 2013. Each finalist will receive a certificate, and the selected scholarship recipients will receive a scholarship award, of between \$500 and \$1,000. The decision of the committee is final.

Please complete the attached nomination form with transcripts, and send to:

**Association of Chinese Americans, 32585 Concord Drive, Madison Heights, MI 48071**

**Attn: High School Achievement Awards Program.**

All nominations and transcripts must be **postmarked by Friday, JUNE 14, 2013**. Late nominations are discouraged.

We appreciate your attention to this call for nominations. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Roland Hwang at (248) 347-1663. If you prefer e-mail notice of future scholarship opportunities, please provide me the appropriate e-mail address.

Sincerely,

Roland Hwang  
High School Achievement Program

Encls. (Synopsis and Nomination Form)

## CLASS OF 2014: SYNOPSIS OF SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA

### 1. ASSOC. OF CHINESE AMERICANS SCHOLARSHIP (**best all around scholarship and leadership**)

### 2. MABEL PENG MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (**best academic record and test scores**)

Please nominate students, Class of 2014, who meet all of the following criteria:

- **3.8 GPA** or better on a scale of 4.0 or equivalent.
- Demonstrated **leadership** in extra-curricular and/or community activities,
- Of Chinese American, or Chinese ancestry, or interested in serving the Chinese American Community.

### 3. MR. & MRS. P.L. SIAK SCHOLARSHIP (**physical disability and/or overcoming hardship**)

Please nominate students, Class of 2014, who:

- Plan to attend college,
- Have preferably a **3.5 GPA** (exceptions may be granted on case-by-case basis),
- Have demonstrated ability to **overcome major difficulties in life**, such as a physical disability or constraints. Major illnesses for an extended period of time may also constitute hardship.

### 4. **NEW: CHINESE LANGUAGE SCHOLARSHIP (honors those students with 5 or more years of the study of Chinese language in school or Chinese language program)**

Please nominate students, Class of 2014, who:

- Have a **3.8 GPA** or better on a scale of 4.0 or equivalent.
- Demonstrated **leadership** in extra-curricular and/or community activities,
- Of Chinese American, or Chinese ancestry, or interested in serving the Chinese American Community.
- **\*\*Provide Documentation of 5 years enrollment in a Chinese language class** in public or private school, or in a Chinese language school, or in any combination to total at least 5 years enrollment in the study of Chinese language.

**\*\*NOTE: Attach letter or other documents from principal, teacher, or counselor to the application form.**

### 5. DETROIT CHINESE ENGINEERS ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP (for **Engineering**)

Please nominate students, Class of 2014 who meet all of the following criteria:

- **3.8 GPA** or better on a scale of 4.0 or equivalent,
- Demonstrated **leadership** in extra-curricular and/or community activities,
- Of Chinese American or Chinese ancestry or interested in serving the Chinese American Community.
- Stated intent for **Engineering** major.

### 6. COUNCIL OF ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICANS (business, accounting or APA Studies – in state school)

Please nominate students, Class of 2014, who have:

- **3.8 GPA** or better on a scale of 4.0 or equivalent.
- Demonstrated **leadership** in extra-curricular and/or community activities,
- Planning major in business, accounting or APA Studies,
- Plan to attend an in-state Michigan school.

**Class of 2014: Nomination for Association of Chinese Americans  
High School Achievement Awards  
Council of Asian Pacific Americans Scholarships  
Detroit Chinese Engineers Scholarships**

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Chinese Name \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ High School

\_\_\_\_\_ School Address

\_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip Code

Nominee's E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Parents' Names \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

How do you self identify yourself?

Check one:

- Chinese American
- Other APA ethnic group
- Other ethnicity

**Academic Record:**

GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ on a scale of \_\_\_\_\_

ACT composite score: \_\_\_\_\_; Percentile \_\_\_\_\_

PSAT: \_\_\_\_\_ verbal; \_\_\_\_\_ mathematics

SAT: \_\_\_\_\_ verbal; \_\_\_\_\_ mathematics

Advanced Placement (AP) classes taken, and AP classes to be taken in the senior year: 1. \_\_\_\_\_, 2. \_\_\_\_\_, 3. \_\_\_\_\_, 4. \_\_\_\_\_, 5. \_\_\_\_\_, 6. \_\_\_\_\_, 7. \_\_\_\_\_, 8. \_\_\_\_\_.

Extra-Curricular Activities (please list offices held): \_\_\_\_\_

**Check scholarships applied for (as many as appropriate):**

**BEST ACADEMICS AND/OR LEADERSHIP-**

- Association of Chinese Americans Scholarship (best all around scholarship and leadership)
- Mabel Peng Memorial Scholarship (best academic record and test scores)

**CHINESE LANGUAGE SCHOLARSHIPS**

- Same criteria as above, plus certification of 5 or more years of Chinese language enrollment in Public or private schools or a Chinese language program, or combination of public, private school, or Chinese language program.

**OVERCOMING PHYSICAL DISABILITY OR HARDSHIP-**

- Mr. & Mrs. P.L. Siak Scholarship (overcoming physical disability or other hardship)

**GENERAL – DCEA for Engineering Students**

- Detroit Chinese Engineers Association Scholarships (leadership and Engineering Major)

Nominated by \_\_\_\_\_ Counselor / Principal of \_\_\_\_\_ High School

\_\_\_\_\_ School Address (street address, city, state, zip code)

\_\_\_\_\_ School e-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_@\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone No.: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_; Telefax No.: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/2013 **PLEASE ATTACH THE STUDENT'S TRANSCRIPT**