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Online registration for the Speak Mandarin Campaign Family Talent Competition 2020 is now open

(Closes 23 February 2020)

The eighth edition of the Speak Mandarin Campaign Family Talent Competition takes place this year.

Jointly organised by the Promote Mandarin Council, CHIJ St. Nicholas Girls' School (Primary), Committee to Promote Chinese Language Learning (CPCLL) and PCF Sparkletots Preschool, the Speak Mandarin Campaign Family Talent Competition is a nationwide competition that provides immersive opportunities for children to learn Mandarin and for families to bond and have fun concurrently.

To participate in this Competition, students (aged between five and twelve) and their parents or grandparents are to form family teams each comprising a maximum of four members. Each team must present a four-minute performance at the closed door Preliminary Round, which will take place on Saturday, 18 April 2020. The performances are to be based on the theme "Our Singapore in 2030". Shortlisted teams will then compete in the Grand Finals which will take place on Saturday, 30 May 2020.

Online registration for the Competition is now open and will close on Sunday, 23 February 2020. Please visit <u>https://tinyurl.com/FTC2020</u> to sign up.

The Competition also continues to be supported by partners, as it achieves the Speak Mandarin Campaign's objectives to promote Mandarin, and supports parents' active roles in creating conducive home environments for their children's language learning.

For a full list of organisers and supporters, and more information about the Competition, please visit <u>http://mandarin.org.sg/en/events/family-talent-competition-2020</u> or find details in the Annex attached.

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Annex

About the Speak Mandarin Campaign Family Talent Competition 2020

The Speak Mandarin Campaign Family Talent Competition is a nationwide competition that provides immersive opportunities for parents to bond and have fun with their children, while learning and speaking Mandarin.

The Competition was first launched in 2013 and this year marks its eighth edition. A new category for pre-school participants was launched in 2016, and the revised entry guidelines since 2018 allows participation by up to four family members per team. The Competition welcomed participation by grandparents since the 2019 edition of the competition.

Participation Criteria and Categories

- 1. Parent(s) or grandparents(s) and child(ren) must form a team. Each team is to comprise a minimum of two, OR up to a maximum of four members.
- 2. Participating children will have to be between five and 12 years of age. For any other participating children below five years of age, their performance will not be graded.
- 3. All participants must be Singapore Citizens or Permanent Residents.

The Competition will feature three categories. If you are signing up with more than one child, please register according to the age of the elder/eldest child.

Category	Participating criteria
A	For participating teams with elder/eldest child in Kindergarten Level 1 or 2.
В	For participating teams with elder/eldest child in Primary 1 or 2.
С	For participating teams with elder/eldest child between Primary 3 and 6.

Performance Theme and Preliminary Round

Teams will put up a four-minute performance based on the theme "Our Singapore in 2030" at the Preliminary Round, to be held on Saturday, 18 April 2020 at CHIJ St Nicholas Girls' School (Primary).



Organisers and Supporters

The Speak Mandarin Campaign Family Talent Competition 2020 is co-organised by:

- Promote Mandarin Council
- CHIJ St. Nicholas Girls' School (Primary)
- Committee to Promote Chinese Language Learning (CPCLL)
- PAP Community Foundation Sparkletots Preschool

The Competition is supported by:

- Thumbs Up
- Thumbs Up Junior
- Thumbs Up Little Junior

The prizes for the Competition are sponsored by:

- Creative Knowledge Labs Pte Ltd
- Hook on Books
- Maha Yu Yi Pte Ltd
- Sheng Siong
- Singapore Flyer



Prizes

Title	Prizes
Cash Prizes for Winners	1 st Prize: \$500 cash
	2 nd Prize: \$300 cash
	3 rd Prize: \$200 cash
	4 th Prize*: \$180 cash
	5 th Prize*: \$150 cash
	All winners will receive a Trophy & Certificate of Participation
Additional	Hans Vision eDictionary PX2201
Prizes for Winners	WaWaYaYa JoyReader eStorybook
	Book vouchers from Maha Yu Yi & Hook on Books
	Sheng Siong shopping vouchers
	Singapore Flyer flight tickets & a Sky View Pavilion dining voucher
	Wildlife Reserves Singapore tickets
	Resorts World Sentosa attraction tickets**
Finalists	Certificate of Participation
	Maha Yu Yi book vouchers
	Sheng Siong shopping vouchers

* Category A only ** For 1st and 2nd prize winners only



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For past year Competition videos, please visit https://www.youtube.com/PromoteMandarin