



## Halton Region Chinese Canadian Association

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### **HALTON REGION CHINESE CANADIAN ASSOCIATION ANNOUNCES 2009 SCHOLARSHIP AWARD WINNER**

The Halton Region Chinese Canadian Association (HRCCA) today announces that Jessica Wang of Nelson High School, Burlington, has been selected as the winner of the 2009 HRCCA Scholarship Award.

“Jessica Wang is an outstanding student academically as well as athletically,” remarked Mary Lui, president of HRCCA. “She has maintained an average of over 94% throughout her High School years, even attaining 100% in two courses, an unmatched feat. Her drive and perseverance kept her well above her peers. Although she came to Canada a mere nine years ago, she worked so hard that now she has an excellent command of the English language.”

Jessica was the winner of the Greater Halton Athletic Conference Senior Girls Badminton Championship in 2007/2008. As a volunteer, she is co-chair of Nelson Interact Club raising over \$5,000 this past year for local and international charities, editor for ‘Be the Change’ newspaper, a math and science peer tutor at school, Sunday School volunteer, buddy to the seniors, and teacher’s assistant in teaching Mandarin to credit course students.

“Jessica’s leadership and initiative are exemplified by her creation of a set of power point presentations to promote Chinese language and culture,” said Winnie Ng, secretary and member of the Scholarship Selection Committee. “More impressively, she designed a worldwide website addressing the issue of racism while at the same time fostering multiculturalism and harmony.”

Jessica has been accepted into Mechanical Engineering at McMaster University.

The Association wishes to thank all Halton high school students who have submitted an application for the 2009 Scholarship Award.

The Halton Region Chinese Canadian Association is a non-profit, non-political and non-denominational organization formed by a group of community-minded volunteers from Halton Region dedicated to promoting cultural education, understanding and interaction between the Chinese community and the society-at-large. Its annual Scholarship Award is to recognize a Halton high school graduate of any ethnic background who demonstrates outstanding leadership in the community, particularly in the promotion of Chinese culture. Another objective of the scholarship is to provide financial assistance to needy students in their pursuit of post-secondary education. For more information about the HRCCA Scholarship, please visit the website [www.hrcca.ca](http://www.hrcca.ca).

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A photograph of Jessica Wang is attached.

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