**2023**

### ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARD PROGRAM

Kong Chow Benevolent Association of Southern California will be offering Achievement Awards to the sons and daughters of its members who are graduating from Elementary School, Middle (Junior High) School and High School between January 2023 and June 2023.

To be qualified for consideration, at least one parent (not grandparents) of the applicants must meet the following criteria with Kong Chow Benevolent Association of Southern California:

Have consecutive membership for the past two years, 2021 and 2022, with membership fees paid by the due date, March 31st, of each year respectively, and currently a member in good standing, with current membership fee paid by the due date, March 31st, 2023.

The awards are as follows:

* Elementary School Graduates will be awarded $100.
* Middle (Junior High) School Graduates will be awarded $100.
* High School Graduates will be awarded $100; however, applicants will not be awarded both a $100 Scholastic Achievement Award and a $500 College Scholarship concurrently.

**● Required Documentation ●**

1. A completed Achievement Awards Form.
2. Elementary and Junior High School students must provide documentation of graduating or completion.
3. High School students must provide photocopy of graduating diploma and transcript of their academic scholastic record (copy of downloaded record from school website is acceptable).

The Kong Chow Benevolent Association’s Academic Scholarship Committee will award qualified applicants based on their academic achievements.

All applications with the required documents must be sent to the following address and **postmarked on or before July 22nd, 2023**:

**Academic Scholarship Committee**

The San Gabriel Valley Academy  
Attn: Curtis Jang / Scholarship  
625 E Main St., Suite B  
Alhambra, CA 91801

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### ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARD APPLICATION

Applicant            

Last Name First Name Middle

Sex       Age



Address       Telephone (       )

Number and Street

           

　 City State Zip

Date of Birth       Place of Birth



Name of Father                  

In English In Chinese (Important) email address

Name of Mother                  

In English In Chinese (Important) email address

Address of Parents       Telephone (       )

Number and Street 

                 

City State Zip

Graduated from ☐ Elementary School ☐ Jr. High School ☐ High School

Name of School



Date of Graduation



**IMPORTANT NOTE**: Incomplete applications will be rejected by the scholarship committee.  There will be no recourse for reconsideration, therefore, be sure that you have submitted all document requested.  Rejection by the scholarship committee is final.

Signature of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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# ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP FUND\*\*

Kong Chow Benevolent Association of Southern California will award **seven** (**7**) $500.00 scholarships to the sons and daughters of its members.  The scholarships are for **college students** studying for a Bachelor's degree, a Master's degree or a Doctorate's degree.

All applicants must be full time students and have completed a year of study consisting of three quarters or two semesters of full time study and earned a 3.00 grade point average (GPA) or higher.

Recipients who had received a Kong Chow scholarship last year are eligible to apply again in alternate year.

\*\***All awards are given according to their achievements and written essay. Minimum GPA does not guarantee an award.**

Also, high achieving high school graduates entering college **may be** considered for the award with proof of their matriculation and scholastic records.  Applicant must be enrolled in school full time at an accredited college or university in order to qualify for the scholarship award. After all verifications have been completed, the award will be presented to the applicant.

To be qualified for consideration, at least one parent (not grand-parents) of the applicants must meet the following criteria with Kong Chow Benevolent Association of Southern California:

1. Have consecutive membership for the past two years, 2021 and 2022, with membership fees paid by the due date, March 31st, of the each year respectively, and
2. Currently a member in good standing, with current membership fee paid by the due date, March 31st, 2023.

**● Required Documentation ●**

High School Graduates who are entering college or college students ***must*** provide the following documents with their Kong Chow Benevolent Association Academic Scholarship Application:

1. A completed Scholarship Application Form.
2. Photocopy of High School Diploma and Grade Transcript of Scholastic Record; or Photocopy of College Transcript of Scholastic Record (copy of downloaded record from school website is acceptable).
3. Photocopy or print screen of 2023 Fall Quarter/Semester Letter of Admission for high school graduates entering college/university; or proof of readmission to college/university for college students who are reentering college/university. All submission must show your name and college you are attending or admitted.
4. Records of Community and Extracurricular Activities.
5. Applicants will submit a brief essay based on topic as stated on Page 7 of 7 of this application form. The best and most appropriate essay voted by the Scholarship Committee will receive a special prize in addition to the scholarship award.

The Kong Chow Benevolent Association’s Scholarship Committee will award the Scholarship based primarily on the Applicant’s Scholastic Achievement and written essay. Additional consideration will be given for Worthy Community and Extracurricular Activities. All decisions of the Committee for the awards are final.

All applications with the required documents must be sent to the following address and **postmarked on or before July 22nd, 2023**:

**Academic Scholarship Committee**

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## ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Last Name       First Name       Middle       



Sex       Age



Date of Birth       Place of Birth       Email address      



Address       Telephone (      )      

Number and Street

           

City State Zip

Name of Father      

In English In Chinese (Important) email address 

Name of Mother      

In English In Chinese (Important) email address 

Address of Parents       Telephone (       )

Number and Street

                 

City State Zip

College or university attended:

Name Date Date

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College or University currently enrolled in



Will you be attending the same college or university?       

Yes or No

If no, what college or university are you going to attend?       

Your classification the current semester/quarter ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

HS Sr. Fr. Soph. Jr. Sr.

Your upcoming classification the following semester/quarter ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

Fr. Soph. Jr. Sr. Grad. School

Expected date of graduation      

Month Year

Major in       Minor in

Planned registration (Number of units to be carried)       units; ☐ Per Semester ☐ Per Quarter in

☐ Spring ☐ Summer ☐ Fall ☐ Winter

State briefly your title and role in an organization, membership, internship, clubs, extracurricular activities, volunteer work and honors: (Example: Boy/Girl’s Scout, ROTC, Police Cadet, YMCA, YWCA, non-profit/charity organization, fund raisers, etc.)

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Previous Scholarship Awards (Please be accurate; it will be verified):

Type of Award Date Awarded Type of Award Date Awarded

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| 3. |  |  | 4. |  |  |

For what profession or business are you preparing?     \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Essay Topic: The new mission of Kong Chow Benevolent Association\***

At its inception in 1889 the Kong Chow Benevolent Association was established for a very clear purpose: To assist newly-arrived immigrants in finding accommodations, employment and camaraderie with other brothers and sisters from the same Four-County region of the Pearl River Delta in Guangdong Province, China.

But times have changed.

Instead of seeking wages building railroads, working as domestic help, or (later) toiling in a laundry service or waiting on tables in the local chop suey house, the descendants of those early immigrants, or more recently-arrived immigrants themselves, are much more likely to be college-educated professionals (often practitioners of medicine or law) or venture capitalists, successful

investors, top-flight engineers or scientists.

Given the notably reversed nature of social integration and interaction facing today's immigrants to the United States, Kong Chow Benevolent Association seeks to find new meaning, new relevance to thrive in this new environment. In short, it needs a new mission statement.

In a well-worded, coherently developed essay of no more than 500 words, please write a new mission statement for the Association, supporting your suggestion with logic and examples both current and past.

*\*Essays are weighed heavily if there are more applicants than there are awards. Please write your thoughts on a separate page if the space below is insufficient, typed or printed neatly in black or blue ink pen. Recipients will be selected on the basis of (a) grade point average; and (b) content and quality of written essay. Make sure to put your name on the essay.*

**IMPORTANT NOTE**: Incomplete applications will be rejected by the scholarship committee.  There will be no recourse for reconsideration, therefore, be sure that you have submitted all document requested.  Rejection by the scholarship committee is final.

Signature of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_