

2012 HRCCA Scholarship Winner – Ida Ji - 纪蕴真



The 2012 HRCCA Scholarship awardee is Ida Ji of Aldershot High School in Burlington. “Ida is a student who exemplifies a strong work ethic, a good ability to prioritize tasks, and the tenacity to ensure they get done. She is a high-achieving student.” said one of her referees. Her leadership roles included being President of the Aldershot Student Council, Chair of the Aldershot Spring carnival, Head Editor and Photographer of the Aldershot Yearbook Club, and co-founder of a Global Awareness committee within the Student council to promote multiculturalism with an emphasis on Chinese culture. Within the community where she lived she founded Youth Aldershot with guidance from the

Public Health nurse. This group established a working relationship with the Business in Aldershot Association and the City Council and through their efforts have increased communication between youths and adults governing the region. They were able to convince the higher authorities to fund public transport for 20 needy students. She translated ideas which flourished at school in the restaurant environment, one of several part-time positions, where she worked to supplement the family’s modest income. She introduced many marketing ideas to the management.

She has volunteered at Joseph Brant Hospital, Canadian Cancer Society, Canadian Kidney Foundation and the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, canvassed for the Burlington riding of the federal Liberal party and is a translator for the ISD Medical Group in Beijing. Ida has shown she is a truly remarkable student to combine all these leadership and volunteering roles and still have time to excel in her academic environment, even though she immigrated from China a mere three years ago. Ida will be attending University of Western Ontario in the Fall, majoring in Life Sciences.