The Confucius Institute at the University of Texas at Dallas is pleased to announce the **2016 Winter K-12 Administrators Delegation to China**. A 12-day-program in China is to help educators deepen their understanding of Chinese language, culture, education and social situation, and to help them start or strengthen their institution's Chinese programs and partnerships. Highlights include school visits, cultural activities and educational workshops. Leaders from K-12 and school districts are invited to apply for this unique educational trip to China as guests of Hanban/the Confucius Institute Headquarters.

**The delegation provides an opportunity to:**

- Visit Chinese K-12 schools and postsecondary institutions, meet with Chinese educators, observe classes and interact with students and teachers
- Establish meaningful partnerships with Chinese educational institutions
- Attend presentations on best practices and gather resources to build and support Chinese language and culture programs
- Experience China’s rich traditional culture and stunning modern development

**Dates and number of group participants**

- **December 3rd – December 14th, 2016**
- The number of group participants will be 10-12

**Who is eligible to apply?**

Selection priority will be given to:

- K-12 district administrators, school leaders, and other education decision-makers actively seeking to develop new/expanded Chinese programs. Selected participants are expected to be actively involved in, and able to speak about their institution's efforts to build or expand a Chinese language and culture program, or leaders of new opening up Confucius Classroom schools.
- Participants who did not participate in the programs to China organized by Hanban/the Confucius Institute Headquarters during the last three years.

Multiple applicants from the same institution will be considered but each applicant is required to submit an individual application.

**What cost is covered by the Program?**

The following costs are covered by the program:

- Travel costs in China, including hotel accommodations, group meals, tour guides, admission tickets, local and inter-city transportation costs.
What cost is covered by the participants?

Participants are responsible for the following costs:

- US domestic travel and international airfares.
- International travel insurance
- US passport and visa to China application fees

What places the delegation will visit in China?

The delegation will visit Nanjing and another city in China. Final program itineraries will be sent to delegates one week prior to departure. Generally, each day the schedule begins in the early morning and continues through the evening. The schedule is very demanding and all delegates are expected to attend all activities and events. Therefore, delegates should verify that they are in good general health.

What kind of accommodation is provided?

Single-room accommodations in three or four-star hotels will be provided. Delegates receive the names and addresses of their hotels one week before the departure.

How to apply to join the Delegation?

Participants apply to the Confucius Institute at the University of Texas at Dallas by submitting the application form online through the following link: http://www.utdallas.edu/ah/confucius/bridge/k-12-educators-delegation-to-china/registration/, or send the completed application form to: chen.wang12@utdallas.edu. The application deadline is: September 1st, 2016.

Who can be contacted if there is any question?

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