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**Ottewell** students, **Carmen Wong** and **Susan Yip**, attended a summer camp in Beijing, China as overseas winners in the 5th International Chinese Junior Students' Essay Contest. The girls were two of only 15 students from around the world invited to the two-week camp. Both students, born in Edmonton, started their Chinese language study in kindergarten in the English-Chinese bilingual program at Edmonton Public Schools. Over the past three years, 13 Ottewell students have won awards in the international writing competition, which is open to Chinese and overseas students. This year alone over 7 million students took part in the 5th annual contest.

In addition to student writing awards, other categories in the contest won by Ottewell include 50 Best Organizer award in 2002 and 100 Best Organizer award in 2004. Teacher Marion Xie won the Writing Coach award in 2002 and in 2004