



## TEACHING POSITIONS IN CHINA

### GENERAL INFORMATION

The New Brunswick Department of Education has been working with the Concord College of Sino-Canada on various educational initiatives since 1996. Atlantic Education International Inc. (AEI Inc.) assists in the recruitment of qualified teachers, who are then contracted privately by our Chinese educational client to work at one of three locations in China. AEI Inc. is currently seeking teachers for the 2005-2006 school year.

Positions are available at 3 schools:

#### Grades 10-12 - Beijing Concord College of Sino-Canada (BCCSC):

Opened in 1997, the BCCSC is a joint-cooperative Chinese residential high school offering an approved mix of Canadian and Chinese curriculum. Successful students will receive both a Chinese and a New Brunswick High School Diploma. Canadian and Chinese teachers staff the BCCSC English department. Their GOAL is to prepare students for a College-entrance level of English by the end of grade 12. Applicants should be aware that these schools serve a full range of students from beginner ESL to native speakers of English.

#### Grades 10-12 - Shenzhen Concord College of Sino-Canada (SCCSC):

Opened in September 2002 in the southern city of Shenzhen. The SCCSC is a school similar to BCCSC.

#### Grades K-10 - International School of Sino-Canada (ISSC):

Opened in Shenzhen in September 2002. This school offers New Brunswick K-10 curriculum for the international community in the Shenzhen area. Teachers are required for all subjects and grade levels though we are especially interested in teachers of math/science.

We are also inviting applications for the position of Vice-principal at ISSC.

### THE CONCORD COLLEGE OF SINO-CANADA ORGANIZATION

The administration and organization of the Concord Colleges differs slightly in each school. The top level of administrative control lies with an executive board composed of members of the Pang family and other Chinese Administrators, including key political and educational figures in China. The Executive Principal, in consultation with the Canadian Vice-Principal, heads the high school. Concerns of the English Department, and specifically those dealing with the Canadian teaching staff, are directed to the Canadian Vice-Principal, who acts as a liaison between the Canadians and the Chinese Administration. The Canadian and Chinese English teachers together form the English Department, which is responsible for approximately 35% of the overall curriculum. This

includes English, Social Studies and Information Technology classes. Teachers are required to teach in these curricular areas. Other academic courses are taught in the Chinese language by the Chinese teaching staff.

Concord College is a private educational facility, and the students are often from prominent Chinese families. Although these students come to this school with a varied level of academic standing and English language proficiency, most Concord College students plan to attend universities overseas.

### **BEIJING AND SHENZHEN CONCORD COLLEGES OF SINO-CANADA**

The Beijing Concord College of Sino-Canada (BCCSC) is home to over 1000 students studying in grades 10-12. The BCCSC is a residential school in the village of Tuan Li, approximately 30 minutes from the city-center of Beijing. BCCSC offers music facilities, tennis courts, track and field, various extra-curricular clubs and sports teams. There are also various special activities throughout the year, such as the Terry Fox Run, in which teachers and students participate to help develop a “Canadian” atmosphere at the College.

BCCSC offers various educational programs for Chinese students. These include high school and post-secondary programs through Canadian community colleges and universities.

The Shenzhen Concord College of Sino-Canada (SCCSC) is currently home to over 300 students studying in grades 10-12. We do anticipate that it will grow annually. Like BCCSC, SCCSC is a residential school with various activities and sports teams in which its teachers and students can participate. Eventually, SCCSC will offer post-secondary options for its students as well.

### **WHAT TO EXPECT**

Where schedules permit, most teachers at BCCSC and SCCSC teach 24-30 periods per week, but variation will exist. Each period is 40 minutes long and there are approximately 35-40 students per class. Teachers will have 1-3 periods for preparation time per day, depending upon how classes are scheduled. Similar to teaching in a North American school, BCCSC and SCCSC teachers are expected to participate in elective courses and extra-curricular activities.

The curriculum at BCCSC and SCCSC is an approved mix of Canadian and Chinese curriculum. Canadian teachers will teach English, Social Studies and Information Technology, but the focus is on teaching English as a Second Language. The curriculum is monitored by the N.B. Department of Education in cooperation with our partners.

Files available contain course outlines and activities to go with the unit plans. Successful students receive both Chinese matriculation and New Brunswick High School Diploma.

BCCSC and SCCSC teachers report to the Canadian Vice-Principal, but are expected to follow all Chinese laws and school regulations. These regulations include teaching conditions, holidays, student behavior and parent nights. To minimize midweek breaks for holidays, teachers will be required to teach on some weekends, allowing a continuous holiday period. Requests for early vacation leaves are difficult to accommodate.

### **BCCSC AND SCCSC STAFF FACILITIES**

There are various styles of staff accommodations, however all are equipped with air conditioner, bed, dresser, closet, and 'western-style' bathroom. Everyone has access to a basic, but fully equipped kitchen. Also, there are staff recreation areas. All staff residences are an easy walk to classes.

All staff have their own workspace on campus with desk. Most have a computer with Internet access, though some may have to share.

### **INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF SINO-CANADA**

The International School of Sino-Canada (ISSC) opened to the non-Chinese national community in the city of Shenzhen, in September 2002. It shares the Shenzhen Concord College campus.

In its first year, the ISSC welcomed 60 students from 12 countries to the school. During the second year, the ISSC welcomed over 130 students. The students are enrolled in grades Kindergarten to Grade 9. ISSC will soon expand to a K-10 school. Similar to other international schools, the students have a wide range of abilities and are children of executives of companies located in the Shenzhen area.

### **WHAT TO EXPECT**

ISSC teachers are responsible for core subjects that follow the N.B. K-10 curriculum. Teachers usually teach between 20-26 classes per week. This includes 20-22 classroom periods and 4 activity periods. Each period is 40 minutes in length. Class size will depend upon school enrolment, however the maximum in one class is 20 students. The maximum for a combined class is 15 students. Although some of the students are English-speaking, many will be learning English as a second language. Knowledge of early childhood education is considered an asset.

ISSC teachers report directly to the Canadian Principal, and are supported by New Brunswick school district supervisors. Teachers are expected to follow all Chinese laws and school regulations.

## **ISSC STAFF FACILITIES**

The facilities for ISSC teachers are similar to those available for BCCSC and SCCSC teachers.

Restaurants and shopping in Shenzhen are within walking distance or a short taxi or bus ride. There are plenty of options for travel in Beijing or Shenzhen for either a short weekend getaway or during the longer vacation breaks throughout the year where teachers have the opportunity to explore another part of the world. Staffs in Shenzhen are about one hour away by boat from Hong Kong.

## **BEIJING AND SHENZHEN: THE CITIES**

The capital city of Beijing is located in northeastern China. With a population of roughly 13 million people, Beijing is considered the educational and cultural capital of China. The southeastern city of Shenzhen, a special economic zone, has an estimated 6 million people. Shenzhen faces Hong Kong to the south across the Shenzhen River.

## **COMPENSATION**

Each hired teacher at BCCSC, SCCSC or ISSC will receive:

- One round-trip airline ticket (economy class) per year;
- Designated accommodation;
- Holidays are different than those in Canada; however, paid vacation days as designated by Chinese government are included in contract;
- All fees associated with obtaining employment visa;
- Contribution to medical coverage;
- Food allowances included;
- Pay scale for teachers with valid teacher's license will range from \$25,000—\$30,000 (Canadian equivalency).

*All teachers recruited by AEI Inc. will sign contracts with AKD International Inc., the CCSC parent organization*

## **WHAT IS AEI INC.?**

Atlantic Education International Incorporated (AEI Inc.) is an incorporated body in partnership with the New Brunswick Department of Education. Since 1997, AEI Inc. has been working with the Concord College of Sino-Canada (CCSC) and Department of Education, to implement various educational initiatives. In addition to recruiting qualified teachers for CCSC and ISSC, AEI Inc. supports student programs with CCSC, including one-week Winter Camp and Enhanced full semester Program in New Brunswick High Schools for Chinese students and Summer Camp program in China for New Brunswick students. Over 1500 CCSC students have studied in N.B. schools for

weeklong and semester-long programs, and over 150 N.B. students and teachers have traveled to China.

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