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## AAEDE's 2018 Scholarship Recipients

By Jacky Shum

**S**TARTING back in 2010, the annual AAEDE scholarship was started by former Administrative Assistant Kelly Lam. Each year, AAEDE continues this tradition and awards \$500 and \$1000 scholarships to high school seniors based off of academic merit, financial need, as well as the quality of their essays. Upon selection, scholarship winners were invited to celebrate at a luncheon where AAEDE staff, Superintendents and school officials also gather.

**T**he AAEDE scholarship luncheon this year was held at Sage Bistro in Alhambra, California. It was truly a pleasure meeting all the



Jacky Shum

**ACHIEVING SUCCESS:** 2018 AAEDE Scholarship Recipients hold their certificates up. From left to right: Denny Dang, Daniel Ip, Alyssa Liu, Peter Ly, Jessica Chau, and James Le.

scholarship recipients in person, talking to them about their future goals in college, their exciting summer plans, as well as having the chance to meet some of their family members and friends. who had supported them along the way. Each in-

dividual had their own amazing, unique personalities that they had persevered with and carried on with them towards success.

**F**or this year, the AAEDE scholarship recipients were: Jessica Chau, from Alhambra High School;

Denny Dang, from Rosemead High School; Daniel Ip, from Mark Keppel High School; James Le, from El Monte High School; Alyssa Liu, from Gabrielino High School; Peter Ly, from Temple City High School; and Wendy Saavedra, from South El Monte High School. Congratulations to this year's winners and we look forward to next year's batch of talented individuals!

## A Word From the Administration~



Ann Tsuchiya

My journey with AAEDE started 5 years ago, when I was very fortunately offered an internship with the company. Since then I have had the opportunity to learn many valuable communication and teamwork skills, while also gaining a variety of experience in many different office tasks. I

also have made many connections that will be very important in the future. The summer AAEDE internship is a very valuable program for youth because it allows for a hands-on experience of essential basic skills that are integral for their futures. The internship fosters a learning environment conducive

to drawing out the maximum potential for personal growth. I would not have become the person I am today if it had not been for this wonderful opportunity and for that I am eternally grateful. I hope to continue to pass on this excellent learning opportunity and experience to the future.

# The History of AAEDE~

**A**sian American Economic Development Enterprises, Inc. began in 1977 by helping Chinese immigrants acclimate to their new environment and to obtain financial security. It has since grown into a full service 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to economic self-help for Asian Americans and others. Its activities include workshops and seminars, business assistance for beginning and fledgling enterprises, access to funding for growing ventures, information support for the business community, advocacy for small and minority firms and individualized career consultation.

**“Dedicated to Economic self-help for everyone”**

**F**or more than 40 years, AAEDE has provided training and employment services to thousands of Asian Americans throughout Southern California while collaborating with government, not-for-profit organizations, and major corporations in providing programs. In 2004, AAEDE drew more than 1,000 attendees in workshops and seminars which covered topics from financial management and business growth to addressing legal issues associated with small business and other career ideas. AAEDE now also offers language-specific workshops in addition to its usual workshops in English.



**David Bow Woo  
Founder of AAEDE**

## TO DO LIST:

- Sign up for our annually hosted job fair!
- Keep in touch with our organized community events!
- Attend our various business workshops and seminars!
- Collaborate with other non-profit organizations and discover a love for giving back to the community!

## A Word From the Administration~



**Eric Fong**

Hello, my name is Eric Fong. This is my first year working with the Asian American Economic Development Enterprises as well as my first year living in Los Angeles. I am from Sacramento, where

I graduated with a BA in Sociology. At a moment in our society when self-interest seems to be at all-time-high levels, I greatly admire what the AAEDE does for the Monterey Park community. By supporting

employment and encouraging the youth education, I know that we are doing meaningful work. I look forward to doing my best while continuing to learn and grow along with my community.

**D**avid Woo, founder of AAEDE describes the goals of AAEDE as the "Four E's": Employment, Education, Enterprise and Excellence. Woo says, "AAEDE exists to help people find employment, to assist them in getting the expanded education they may need to ensure their promotion and competence, and to assist them on the road to building a successful enterprise which will then, in turn, employ more Asian Americans."

## *"Employment, Education, Enterprise, and Excellence"*

- David Woo, founder  
of AAEDE



**COMING TOGETHER:**  
Attendees of the  
AAEDE job fair gather  
in the Lake View  
Room at Almansor  
Court.



### A Word From the Administration~



**Grace Gao**

My name is Yuan Gao (Grace). I am originally from China. I have been working as an administrative assistant at AAEDE since December 2016. AAEDE is a full-service non-profit organization dedicated to economic self-help and empowerment for Asian Americans

and others. I have learned some highly valuable skills at AAEDE: Improved communication, team work, office administration, and customer service. I am also a part-time student at Alhambra Medical University majoring in Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine.

My wish is to be a Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioner someday. "Giving is always more delightful than receiving." I hope that both my current and future work can be the vehicle for me to provide quality services to my community.

# AAEDE's 2018 Career & Job Fair~

By Jacky Shum

On Thursday, August 16th, 2018, AAEDE hosted its 7th annual Job and Career Fair at the Almansor Court in Alhambra, CA. Various vendors from various industries came to the event and an abundance of interested job seekers attended. Some of the vendors who had come included: FedEx, Los Angeles County Police Department, UPS, Acuity Eye Group, Bank Of America, Basic Products, Caltech, and the Department of Rehabilitation, just to name a few.

Throughout the duration of the event, a Résumé Critiquing workshop was also held. Here, attendees

could have their résumés corrected by individuals well-versed in writing résumés. Attendees were also allowed access to various print stations to print out the newly corrected copies to hand out to employers on the spot.

**“Hosting a variety of different companies and vendors!”**

This year for the 2018 job fair, we will also be passing out free tote bags in order to raise awareness for the event. Thank you to all of our wonderful partners, as well as the participation of the various vendors, job seekers and AAEDE summer interns for, once again, creating another successful event! We hope to continue this tradition of excellence again next year!



Grace Gao

**SEEKING INFORMATION:** Attendees of the job fair have the opportunity to have their inquiries answered in person.

## TO DO LIST:

- FREE Admission and Parking!
- FREE Tote bags for Vendors and Attendees!
- Print your Résumé or Cover Letter at the stations! Laptops and Printers will be provided for everyone!
- Résumé Critique by experienced professionals! Available for the duration of the Job and Career Fair!
- Get interviewed by various companies and get hired on the spot!

## A Word From the Interns~



Ernest Tse

My name is Ernest Tse, I am from Alhambra, California. I am going to be a first year at Cal Poly Pomona and I will be majoring in Civil Engineering. This is my first year interning for AAEDE and from

this internship I have learned a lot about communication skills and assisting our community. The internship has taught me a lot about the real world and how communication within a team of

people is really important. It ranges from calling companies to helping out kids at the library. I am for sure looking forward to learning more skills as well as honing the ones I have already learned during my



Grace Gao

**RECOGNIZED EFFORTS:** AAEDE administrator Ann Tsuchiya holds up the commendation award.

On Friday, July 13th, Norman Lee, Grace Gao and Ann Tsuchiya attended the 2nd Annual Los Angeles Veterans Resource Expo presented by Supervisor Hilda L. Solis at the Fairplex in Pomona, CA. A whopping 200 vendors and 2,800 attendees were present at the event. Of those 2,800 attendees, over 2,000 were veterans. The expo specifically catered towards veterans, providing a vast array of resources and jobs. Free on the spot services like eye exams and glucose screenings were also offered. At the event AAEDE was presented with a commendation award from Supervisor Hilda L. Solis. We were very honored to be a part of such a wonderfully impactful event.



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## A Word From the Interns~



**Weida Ye**

Hi! My name is Weida Ye (Tom), and I am from Alhambra, California. I will be studying at East Los Angeles College for next year as a freshman. Working with Asian American Economic Development

Enterprises, I am glad that I have the chance to practice and learn more about communication and teamwork by dealing with small projects or planning large events. It also taught me about the importance of

participating in the community. Through my time at AAEDE the skills that I am currently putting into use will help me in the future. I am grateful to AAEDE for giving me this opportunity to learn and give back to the community.

# Reading Rockets 2018~

By Jacky Shum

**B**eginning Monday June 26, 2018, AAEDE Interns also acted as tutors for the reading rockets program at the local Monterey Park Bruggemeyer Library.

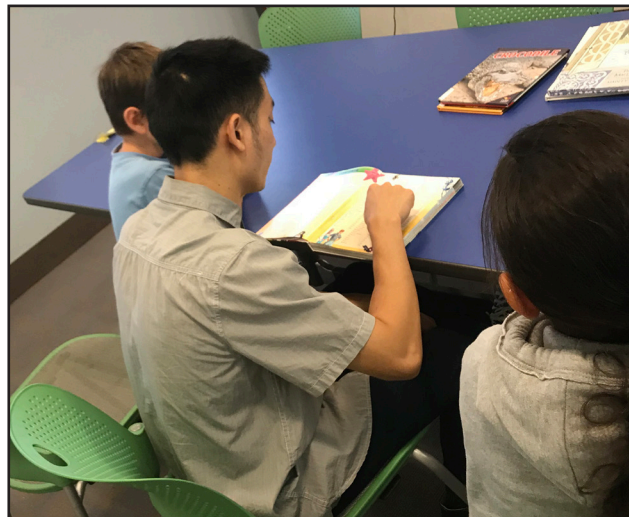
AAEDE Interns went to the library four times a week from Mondays to Fridays from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Following a strict semi-formal dress code interns had to attend training at the library before they were allowed to become tutors for the Reading Rockets literacy program. At the training, tutors were taught a number of tricks and skills in order to learn how to become a better teacher for the kids.

Reading Rockets is historically a child literacy program, dedicated to helping kids from 2nd to 5th grades who are demonstrating below-average reading levels. In previous years, the Reading Rockets program

**“Working together to shape the community”**

was also awarded the public library association’s 2013 “Innovations in Literacy award,” recognizing unique and inventive literacy programs that result in a measurable impact on the library’s community.

**A**t Reading Rockets, tutors split off into groups with a number of the kids. Each student was placed in a group by the level they were able to read comprehensively. Throughout



*Jacky Shum*

**FOLLOW THE LEADER:** AAEDE Intern Eric Fong reads to his students during his turn on “popcorn-reading.”

## TO DO LIST:

- Sign up for Reading Rockets for FREE!!
- Leave your child with experienced tutors in order to enhance their academic level
- Tutors will teach and assess your child to give them the best care possible!
- Invoke a love for reading in your child through this program!

## A Word From the Interns~



**Jacky Shum**

My name is Jacky Shum and I am from Monterey Park, California. I am about to enter Cal Poly San Luis Obispo for my first year in college and I will be majoring in Communications. This is my first year interning for

AAEDE and from this internship I hope to hone my people-skills through the various tasks required of me such as teaching children at Reading Rockets or contacting vendors for the job fair. I am grateful for having

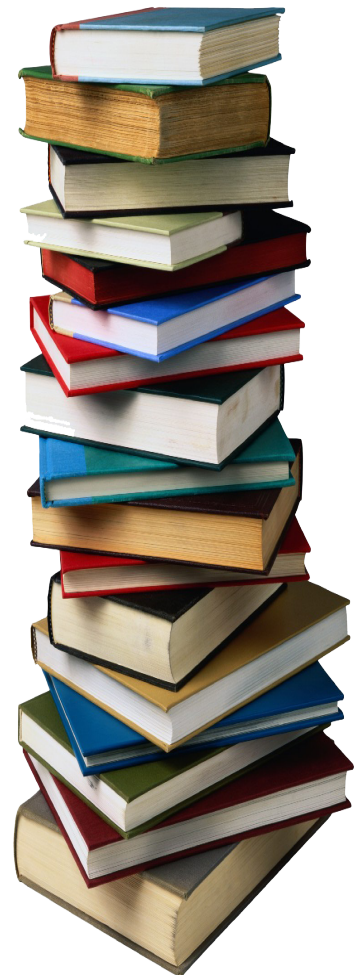
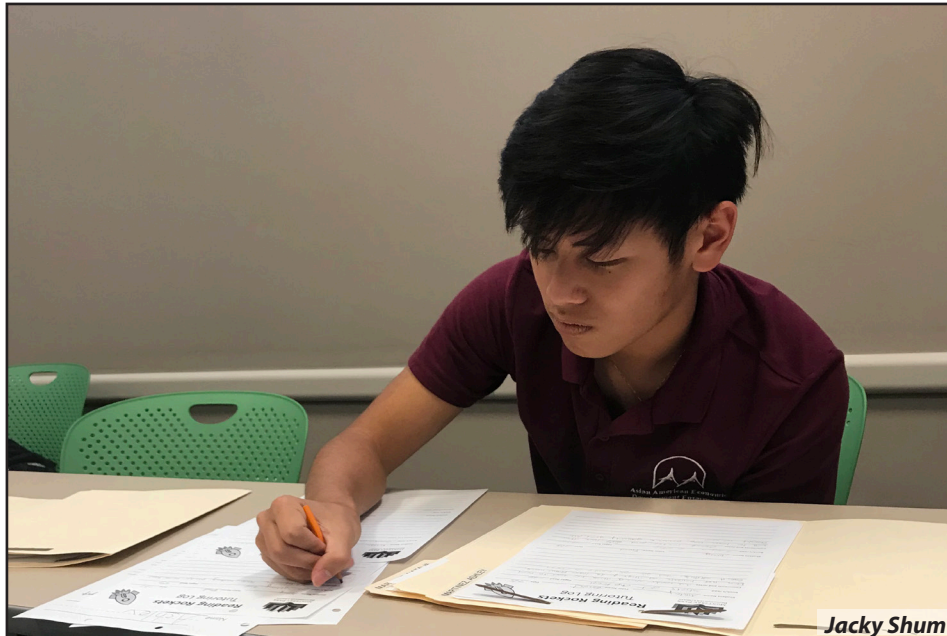
the opportunity to work with amazing co-workers. Being a part of this organization has inspired me that anyone can give back to the community and make a difference in the world. I also really like sushi.

the duration of the program, students were required to listen to tutors as they worked together to enhance their literary capabilities through fun activities such as popcorn reading or literacy-based games such as scrabble. Using a point system, students were motivated to perform well and behave in order to earn shiny coins. These shiny coins could then be exchanged later on in the program for fabulous prizes such as fidget spinners or bouncy balls.

Overall through the Reading Rockets program, students were able to enhance their literary skills in a healthy environment with experienced, trained tutors. The program was not only a learning experience for the students, but also a learning experience for the tutors as they were able to find ways to practice their ability to work and communicate with the children and their respective families. Working at a publically acknowledged program allowed tutors to contribute to the community as well as the future.

*“I touch the Future. I teach.”*

- Christa McAuliffe



**TAKING NOTES:**

AAEDE Intern Ernest Tse writes in his tutor log. Tutoring logs are updated each session to provide feedback to the staff and parents about the child.

## A Word From the Interns~

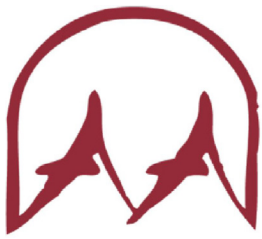


**Nicholas Yeh**

My name is Nicholas Yeh and I am from Alhambra, California. I am currently attending Cal State Poly Pomona as a second year. I am currently majoring in computer science major. This is my second year at

AAEDE and their goal of helping the San Gabriel Valley community is truly inspiring. Being a part of this amazing organization has not only given me insight on my own community but allowed me to improve my own

community. My favorite part about interning for AAEDE would have to be collaborating with skilled individuals to create something that could possibly impact and/or change someone's life.



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- Print your Résumé or Cover Letter
- Laptops and printers will be provided
- Will be located in Salon 4

**Résumé Critique**

- Computers will be provided
- Print station available
- Will be located in Salon 4

**August 16**

9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

**Almanson Court**

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