

《甘肃残疾考生被清华录取》

Wei Xiang, a disabled student from northwest China's Gansu province, has been officially accepted by the country's prestigious Tsinghua University, reports thepaper.cn.

He will study as a math major in the university's experimental classes for science disciplines.

The news was confirmed on a post on the official Sina Weibo account of the provincial education authority in Gansu on July 11, 2017.

It said that Wei's 648 points scored on the "Gaokao," China's college entrance exam, is good enough to qualify Wei Xiang for Tsinghua University, which plans to enroll 23 students for science and engineering from Gansu this year.

Wei Xiang suffers from a severe disability which requires full-time care, which the 19-year-old's mother provides.

A post on WeChat on June 26, 2017 includes a letter from Wei Xiang, requesting preferential help from Tsinghua.

The letter created a stir on the internet after being re-posted numerous times by WeChat users.

"I can't look after myself because of my body's condition," said Wei Xiang. "I'm excited that I have the possibility to be admitted to Tsinghua University, but am concerned about my life there. I hope that the university can provide me a dorm for me and my mother so that she can help me with my life."

Qiu Yong, President of Tsinghua University, later said the university had learned of Wei Xiang's situation, and would provide a free dorm for the student and his mother once his admission is confirmed.

The WeChat post also includes a letter from the university to Wei Xiang titled "life brings pain sometimes, but have faith," providing encouragement to the freshman-to-be.