



Department of World Languages
Chinese Language and Culture AP Syllabus

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Course Materials:

- 1) Integrated Chinese, Textbook, (Traditional & Simplified Character Edition), Level 2, Second Edition, by Yuehua Liu, Tao-chung Yao, Yaohua Shi and Nyan-Ping Bi, Boston: Cheng & Tsui Company, 2006 **** (TEXTBOOK)**
- 2) Integrated Chinese, Workbook, (Traditional & Simplified Character Edition), Level 2, Second Edition, by Yuehua Liu, Tao-chung Yao, Yaohua Shi and Nyan-Ping Bi, Boston: Cheng & Tsui Company, 2006 **** (WORKBOOK)**

Course Description:

This AP Chinese course focuses on language proficiency while interweaving level- and age- appropriate cultural content throughout the course and providing for frequent formative assessment of students' developing proficiencies within the context of their learning. The course is taught entirely in Chinese. Classroom activities are related to the real world and include developing an awareness of acceptable behavior in the Chinese culture. This course will expand a student's horizon by allowing them to compare the Chinese language, culture and practices with those of their own culture.

Students hone their language skills across the three communicative modes: interpretive, interpersonal, and presentational. They develop necessary knowledge of the Chinese language, including pronunciation, vocabulary, idiomatic expressions, grammatical structures and written characters. This course views Chinese culture in an international context and helps students develop an awareness of China's role in issues of global importance. It also helps students broaden their world view by comparing Chinese cultural products, practices, and perspectives with those of their own society. Students ultimately move beyond a basic knowledge of the products and practices reflect Chinese way of viewing the world.

Units

- Unit 1: School Begins
- Unit 2: Dormitory
- Unit 3: At a Restaurant
- Unit 4: Shopping
- Unit 5: Choosing a Major
- Unit 6: Renting a House
- Unit 7: Boy Friend
- Unit 8: Influence of Movie and TV
- Unit 9: Traveling
- Unit 10: At the Post Office
- Unit 11: A Letter
- Unit 12: Chinese Holidays
- Unit 13: Talking About Sports
- Unit 14: Family
- Unit 15: Gender Equality
- Unit 16: Health and Health Insurance
- Unit 17: Education
- Unit 18: Guns and Crimes
- Unit 19: Animals and Human
- Unit 20: Environmental Protection

Methods of Instruction:

- There will a pop quiz at least once a week and a comprehensive test at the end of every Unit. There are twenty units covered and there will be a midterm after ever five units and a final after every ten units.
- In addition there will be projects and research papers assigned for each semester. These papers need to be typed. At the end of the course, students will take the AP Chinese test given in the month of May by College Board.
- Students will learn through lectures, discussions, project based leaning, making dialogues, role playing, research, watching videos and reading Chinese newspapers, magazines, flyers, advertisements and articles.

Classroom Rules:

- 1) You must be in your seat when the bell rings. Be prepared. Have all materials ready. (pencil, textbooks, etc)
- 2) If you are tardy, be sure that the instructor is made aware of it so that attendance can be corrected. If you do not have a valid pass with you, you will be marked tardy. For every 3rd tardy, your parents will receive a phone call. You will get detention for every 5th tardy in T-14.
- 3) You must let the instructor know one day ahead of time if you are attending an extracurricular or sporting event.
- 4) No beverages/snacks in class. Only water is allowed.

- 5) All cell phones need to be **turned off**. If you are caught, the cell phone will be taken away from you. If there is an emergency you will be given a pass to the Attendance Office to make that call.
- 6) You will be given one bathroom pass (passes are in your planner) a week. If you do not have your planner you may not receive a bathroom pass.
- 7) The instructor has the right to move you from your seat and place you in another seat. **No Complaining.**
- 8) Vandalism, stealing, and cheating **will not** be allowed. This will result in a U in citizenship and may result in suspension.
- 9) Do not interfere with classroom instruction.
- 10) Keep the room or computer lab clean.
- 11) You can not do other class work without permission.
- 12) All the rules and regulations of John F. Kennedy High School will be enforced in this classroom.

Citizenship

Student can earn a satisfactory grade by showing

- Positive approach to learning
- Respect for teacher and fellow students
- Responsibility for oneself
- Preparation and participation
- Following classroom rules

NOTE: If students break any classroom rules, they may receive an Unsatisfactory grade for citizenship. This class can be fun if everyone follows the rule.

Academics

All grades are calculated on the following scale:

90-100 = A

80-89=B

70-79=C

60-69=D

0-59=F

SCHOLARSHIP GRADES will be developed from the following areas:

Participation/Attendance 10%

Homework and Daily Assignments 20%

Projects 20%

Oral and Written Assessments (Tests, Quizzes) 30%

Final (Oral and Written) 20%

- **Late work will receive half credit.**
- **Participation points will be deducted if classroom rules are broken**