

Stevenson School (Carmel Campus) Mandarin Chinese

Grade 8

史蒂文森（卡梅尔校区）中文课程

8 年级

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Learning Objectives

By the end of this course, you will be able to:

- Use conversational Chinese to communicate with Chinese speakers more fluently
- Feel more confident and comfortable in talking to native speakers
- Be familiar and aware of Chinese traditions and customs
- Understand how Chinese culture affects Chinese ways of thinking
- Reflect on what makes you a successful language learner
- Create strategies to manage weaknesses and strengthen your strengths in learning Chinese

Class Description

This course aims to improve your communication skills with Chinese speakers. It will enhance your listening and speaking skills through familiarizing you with high frequency patterns in daily Chinese conversations. The use of authentic lesson materials, communicative activities and fieldtrips in this course will also develop your fluency and increase your confidence in using Chinese both within and beyond school settings.

Cultural activities cover 40% of this course. These activities are designed not only to increase your knowledge of Asian cultures, but also improve your understanding of the relationship between the practices and the perspectives of the cultures studied.

This course is also designed to help you cultivate your independent learning skills. You are the center of the whole learning process. Therefore, a monthly self-reflection journal is required. This aims to raise the language awareness of your own learning.

Evaluation

- Vocabulary quiz is given in each unit.
- An Achievement test will be given each term to assess your progress.
- A self-evaluation form is provided each term for you to evaluate your overall performance in this class.

Useful Links

Online homework: <http://lingtlanguage.com/swu/>

Online Chinese dictionary: <http://www.nciku.com/>

Online Chinese learning: <http://www.fluentu.com/>