Sample Chinese Immersion Schedule

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:30-9:06				
Chinese Language				
Arts	Arts	Arts	Arts	Arts
9:11-9:47				
Music and	Visual	Music and	Visual	Music and
Movement	Arts	Movement	Arts	Movement
9:47-10:13				
Snack/Recess	Snack/Recess	Snack/Recess	Snack/Recess	Snack/Recess
10:13-10:49				
Chinese Across				
the Curriculum				
10:54-11:30				
Physical	Physical	Physical	Physical	Physical
Education	Education	Education	Education	Education

Chinese Language Arts

Our students will enjoy experiencing the unique characteristics of the Chinese language and culture. Stories, songs, and games are among the natural communicative activities that will engage our students in the learning process. They will learn the basic communication skills used in social situations, including talking about themselves, their families, their friends, and their school (including the park setting). They will learn to play with words, making new sounds and expressing ideas in a different way. They will also learn the basic skills used to read and write Chinese characters. They will be introduced to the art of calligraphy (types of strokes, order of strokes, and the components of characters). They will also be introduced to the alphabet-based system (pinyin) that is used to type characters. They will enjoy the magic feeling of being able to read and write in a character-based language.

Music and Movement

While music will be incorporated throughout the school day, it will receive special attention during three periods each week. Early experiences with music have multiple benefits. For that reason, we are pleased to be able to offer our students foundational experiences that will serve as a basis for learning to appreciate the joy of music and developing expressive skills in this art.

Visual Arts

Like music, the visual arts will be incorporated throughout the school day. In addition, two periods each week will be dedicated to visual arts projects. The ability to depict feelings and ideas through visual representations using different resources strengthens a student's self-expression and communication skills. Plus, visual arts projects are enjoyed by both the artist and the audience.

Chinese Across the Curriculum

One key element of successful language immersion programs is a focus on teaching students *through* the new language (not just *about* the new language). Our students will become engaged in content learning activities that are designed to reflect their level of language proficiency and reinforce their language development. Integrated content activities in the Humanities and STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math) will be designed to enhance the students' understanding of themselves and the world.

Physical Education

Active, purposeful play will be one component of the happy, healthy environment that will be created for our students. On most days, the students will go outdoors and participate in physical activities that promote the well-being of the individual, the group, and the natural environment that surrounds them. These activities include gardening, outdoor education, martial arts, and health education.