

Information for the Elementary Chinese Language Program 2020-2021

All classes begin the week of September 21, 2020. ALL CLASSES WILL BE OFFERED USING DISTANCE LEARNING.**

PLEASE REVIEW THIS SECTION AS WELL AS THE APPROPRIATE GRADE LEVEL INFORMATION BELOW BEFORE REGISTERING.

Elementary Chinese Enrichment Program - Registration is now open and will close WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2020. Registration fee \$70.00* per class. Registration information is listed below.

You should receive a copy of your response soon after your online registration. The district office must enroll the student in the Chinese enrichment class before the fee will appear in MyPaymentsPlus (MPP). The student should be enrolled within five to seven days after the parent registers the student. Once the student is enrolled by the district office, you will receive an email confirmation. At that time, please go to your MPP account and pay your fee within seven days of receiving the email confirmation. Failure to do so may result in the student being withdrawn from Chinese enrichment. **THE FEE WILL NOT APPEAR ON MPP UNTIL THE DISTRICT OFFICE HAS ENROLLED THE STUDENT IN THE CLASS.** Some fees assessed in Infinite Campus may take 48-72 hours to appear in MPP.

Please note: If you pay for a class with a credit card and then cancel that class, you may be subject to a 3.99% processing fee for the cancellation (this credit card payment fee is initially covered by the district). If you cancel a class by September 18, 2020, you will receive a refund of the initial class fee. You may also pay by mailing a check to our district office, 160 S. Hamilton Road, Gahanna OH 43230, Attn: Chinese Enrichment, within seven days of receiving your email confirmation. Please make checks payable to Gahanna-Jefferson Public Schools.

Classes may reach capacity. We take students on a first-come, first-served basis. **Registrations will be accepted only through WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2020.**

The Chinese enrichment program starts in second grade. Third graders who didn't take the program in second grade can still sign up as a third grader. Students currently in fourth and fifth grades must have taken the program last year in order to sign up again this year.

Participation in the elementary world language enrichment program is voluntary. Continued student participation will be based on appropriate attendance, class behavior, and academic progress. Students who continue with Chinese each year can receive high school credit for Chinese I if they complete both 6th and 7th grade Chinese. In 8th grade, they may be eligible to take Chinese II for high school credit.

While the Chinese enrichment program will initially be offered through distance learning, classes will be held at school when students are able to return to the classroom. **Class times will change when students return to the building.** Please see the table below with information about class times for distance learning and for when we return.

Class	Distance Learning Class Times	<i>Building Return Class Times</i>
Grade 2 - Panda	8:00 am – 8:25 am	<i>7:20 am - 7:50 am</i>
Grade 3 - Dragon	2:45 pm - 3:45 pm	<i>2:25 pm - 3:25 pm</i>
Grade 4 - Phoenix	2:45 pm - 3:45 pm	<i>2:25 pm - 3:25 pm</i>

Grade 5 - Kirin	2:45 pm - 4:00 pm	2:25 pm - 3:40 pm
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Transportation information for return to in-building instruction only

Parents are responsible for transportation to and/or from the Chinese Enrichment classes. Students participating in the morning 2nd grade classes will be dropped off at school by parents/guardians. Parents/guardians will also need to provide transportation home for students participating in the afternoon classes for grades 3-5. Goshen Lane and Royal Manor students will be combined and classes will be held at Royal Manor this year. Parents will need to transport students to Royal Manor for 2nd grade morning Chinese classes. A shuttle will be provided for Goshen Lane students from Royal Manor to Goshen Lane for school. For grades 3-5, after school transportation will be provided for Goshen Lane students to Royal Manor for afternoon Chinese classes. Parents will need to pick up Goshen Lane students at Royal Manor at the end of the Chinese class. ***This is informational only for when we return to the school buildings for learning. A reminder will be shared with families before the transition back to the building takes place.***

For further information, please contact the Curriculum Office at 614-479-1310 or arnoldd@gjps.org.

*Fee is adjusted for students on a free or reduced lunch program with an active waiver form in the system.

2nd Grade “Panda”

This is a voluntary Introductory Chinese language class for 2nd graders. This program teaches Chinese language skills while supplementing and enhancing the math curriculum. This unique program gives students the opportunity to learn about another language and culture while providing some basic second grade math assistance. Goals of the program are for students to do basic math in linguistically and culturally appropriate Chinese, interact with a Chinese speaker, and exchange simple information in Chinese properly. We hope that you encourage your son or daughter to participate in this unique language opportunity.

The Panda classes will meet before school twice per week. The registration cost will be only \$70.00* for the entire year of classes.

Classes will be held as follows (all distance learning classes will be held from 8:00 am – 8:25 am):

- Blacklick Elementary – Monday and Wednesday – 1st class will start Monday, September 21
- Chapelfield Elementary – Monday and Wednesday – 1st class will start Monday, September 21
- Goshen Lane Elementary – Monday and Wednesday – 1st class will start Monday, September 21
- High Point Elementary – Monday and Wednesday – 1st class will start Monday, September 21
- Jefferson Elementary – Tuesday and Thursday – 1st class will start Tuesday, September 22
- Lincoln Elementary – Tuesday and Thursday – 1st class will start Tuesday, September 22
- Royal Manor Elementary – Monday and Wednesday – 1st class will start Monday, September 21

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3rd grade – “Dragon”

As a follow-up to the second grade Math/Chinese immersion program, this is a voluntary after school Chinese language class for third graders. We are inviting your child to continue his/her language development by joining the Dragon class to learn about Mandarin Chinese language and culture. We hope that you encourage your son or daughter to continue to participate in this unique language opportunity. **Students who did not participate in the Chinese enrichment program in second grade can still sign up for the third grade program.**

The Dragon classes will begin on Monday, **September 21, 2020**. The classes will meet every **Monday and Thursday** after school from **2:45-3:45 p.m.** The registration cost will be only \$70.00* for the entire year of classes.

4th grade – “Phoenix”

As a participant in the Dragon program last year, we are inviting your child to continue his/her language development by participating in the next phase. The fourth grade Phoenix class will meet every **Tuesday and Friday** after school from **2:45-3:45 p.m.** The classes will begin on **Tuesday, September 22, 2020**. The registration cost will be only \$70.00* for the entire year of classes. We hope that you encourage your son or daughter to continue to participate in this unique language opportunity.

5th grade – “Kirin”

As a participant in the Phoenix program last year, we are inviting your child to continue his/her language development by participating in the next phase. The fifth grade Kirin class will meet every **Wednesday** after school from **2:45-4:00 p.m.** The classes will begin on **Wednesday, September 23, 2020**. The registration cost will be only \$70.00* for the entire year of classes.

Participating students will also be expected to complete assignments and occasionally log on to specific Chinese language websites. By the end of the fifth grade year, students should be well prepared to begin the middle school Chinese program. We hope that you encourage your son or daughter to continue to participate in this unique language opportunity.

Click [here](#) to register for grades 2-5 Chinese enrichment.