

Sharpstown International School
Mandarin Chinese 2
2018-2019

Course and Contact Information

Course: Mandarin Chinese II
Classroom: E01
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Course Description

Chinese II continues to introduce students to Chinese language and culture. Students in this course will develop speaking, writing, and reading proficiency on topics expanded to include life outside of school and in the real world. Students will be guided in recognizing the interrelationships between cultures and will be able to identify cultural perspectives and practices of the Chinese-speaking world. The focus of this course is developing novice mid-high proficiency.

At the end of this course, students will acquire vocabulary and sentence structures in daily-life communication. They will be carry out basic conversations on relevant topics studied. Students will also be able to understand and appreciate the Chinese traditional culture.

Linguistic goals

- Students will become familiar with intermediate Chinese characters, the Chinese phonic system, and Chinese grammar.
- Students will be able to complete writing and listening exercises.
- Students will be able to further develop their comprehensive skills through supplementary materials.
- Students will be able to write compositions related to the reading materials.

Communicative goals

- Students will be able to present their reports in Chinese both orally and in writing.
- Students will be able to apply Chinese conversation in both formal and informal contexts.

Cultural goals

- Students will be able to identify, describe and understand various aspects of Chinese culture, lifestyles, and social-cultural conventions.
- Students will be able to read and comprehend selected literary and cultural materials.

Grading Criteria

Your grade for this course will be based on a percentage of the following:

Daily Work/Homework	10%
Formative Assessment	50%
Summative Assessment	40%

Within each 9 weeks, there will be 2 summative assessments, 9 formative assessments, and 7 daily assignments.

***If you have missing assignments or grades below 70, you will have only **ONE** calendar week to make up the assignment or grade.

Supply (Mandatory)

- Journal / notebook
- Folder / binder
- Pen and pencil

Class Rules

1. Sit in classroom before bell rings. Tardiness will be marked once bell stops ringing. Absence will be marked if a student is unable to show up within 20 minutes after the bell rings.
2. Get prepared for class.
3. Participate in class actively and follow the instructions.
4. Stay quiet and listen attentively when the teacher is talking. No interruption is allowed.
5. Always raise hands to get permissions from the teacher before you ask any questions.
6. Speak up in pair work, group discussion, and whole classroom activities.
7. No food (including gum) and drinks are allowed in the classroom except water. Leave your food and drink in the table that is next to the door and take it away when class ends.
8. Complete assignments on time.
9. Respect the teacher, the other students, and guest speakers.
10. Put school supplies, envelop, journals back to the baskets and boxes when you leave the class. Pick up the trash that is around you when you leave to maintain a clean and conducive learning environment.
11. If you have missing assignments because of absences, it is **YOUR** responsibility to go to the teacher for the assignments.
12. All other rules and regulations found in SIS handbook also apply to this course.

Consequences for Violation of Classroom Rules

1st Offense: Verbal Warning

2nd Offense: Student-Teacher Conference

3rd Offense: Phone Call Home

4th Offense: Parent-Student-Teacher Conference

5th Offense: Office Referral

** For extreme behavior, an office referral will be given directly.

Cell Phone Policy

Phone using is not allowed. A violation of this policy can lead to the confiscation of the cell phone until the end of the period. Repetitive phone using will lead to the consequence that phone gets turned into the Dean of the students' grade.

Academic Integrity

Neither plagiarism (claim somebody else's work as one's own without proper acknowledgement) nor any form of cheating will be tolerated. Using a phone in an Exam or test are considered to be cheating no matter what is the reason of phone using. Any students who fail to give credit for quotations or an essentially identical expression of material taken from books, encyclopedias, magazines, Internet and other reference works, or from the themes, reports, or other writings of a fellow student are counted as plagiarism. Students found to violate academic integrity are liable to serious consequences, including a grade of "F" for the assignment and a discipline referral resulting in detention or suspension.

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Sign below that you have read and agree to the terms of the syllabus. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me.

Guardian Signature:

Date:

Guardian Print Name:

Student Signature:

Date:

Student Print Name:

Contact information

Parent's cell phone number:

Student's cell phone number:

**The signature page is due at the end of the first week of school.