

文化课 Course Disclosure

Course: Chinese Culture - Modules 1 & 2 (Grades 8 & 9)

Classroom: Dixie Middle School 255

Instructor: Dr. Lijie Qin 秦老师

 *Doctor of Education, Vanderbilt University*

 Email: lijie.qin@washk12.org

Course Overview

你好! This year, we will continue to build your understanding of Chinese culture. Students will explore the following key cultural topics aligned with AP themes:

- Unit 1 Education in China and the US
- Unit 2 Activities and Sports in China
- Unit 3 Visual Arts, Calligraphy, and Painting
- Unit 4 Major Festivals in China
- Unit 5 The Four Inventions
- Unit 6 Idiom Stories

Proficiency Targets

Grade	Writing	Reading	Speaking	Listening
8th	Intermediate Low	Intermediate Mid	Intermediate Mid	Intermediate Mid
9th	Intermediate Mid	Intermediate High	Intermediate High	Intermediate High

Media Notice

To enrich our study, I may show PG or PG-13 rated cultural videos that relate to the units. Clips will be edited for classroom suitability.

 Parent acknowledgment of this disclosure grants permission unless otherwise noted.

Grading Breakdown

 **70%:** Assessments (projects, tests, quizzes)

 **30%:** Assignments (classwork, participation, homework)

 **Retakes:** Always encouraged—just ask!

Class Rules

1.  No cell phones or earbuds from bell to bell.
 2.  Be seated and ready to learn before the bell rings.
 3.  No use of AI or Google Translate for writing—plagiarism = 0.
 4.  If absent, email me, check Canvas, and complete work on time.
 5.  Use electronics only with permission.
-

Class Norms

-  Use 100% Chinese.
 -  Commit to your learning and growth mindset.
 -  Come prepared with materials.
 -  Respect peers and teachers.
 -  Engage and ask for help.
 -  Use Chinese beyond the classroom!
-

Supplies

-  One 1” 3-ring binder
 -  One notebook
 -  Pencil and eraser
-

Student & Parent Acknowledgment

We have read and understand the course expectations.

Student Name (printed)	Student Signature	Date
Parent Name (printed)	Parent Signature	Date