

Our philosophy & Methodology

In our efforts to achieve a more student-centered program, we emphasize the three "Rs" dear to us and strive to make our daily practices: relevant to our students, responsible for their safety and well-being, and responsive to their individual needs. Our student-teacher interaction can be one-on-one, in pair, or in small or large groups. Should student tardiness or truancy occurs, parents will be immediately contacted and we will be continuously in touch until all problems are resolved. Students in our program are encouraged to discover their talents and engage in activities that capture their interests and enhance their strengths



About our program

USAKFS Afterschool Learning Center enrolls preschool to 5th grade students. In addition to assisting homework completion and tutoring in subject areas such as English and mathematics, we provide Chinese – Mandarin classes at different levels. To better prepare our students for a brighter future, we embrace the **STEAM** program in learning (**S**cience, **T**echnology, **E**ngineering, **A**rts and **M**athematics). As believers in multiple intelligences, we also offer a whole range of extracurricular workshops such as drawing, chorus, musical instruments, chess and Kung Fu (additional fee with discount).

Daily Schedule

- *1:50 Pick-up from school
(Wed Only)
- 2:50 Pick-up from school
- 3:15 Arrival and snack time
- 3:30 Homework assistance
(Play time if no homework)
- 4:00 Chinese-Mandarin class
- 4:45 STEAM Program &
Extracurricular workshops
- 5:45 Pick -up



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For
Grades K-5

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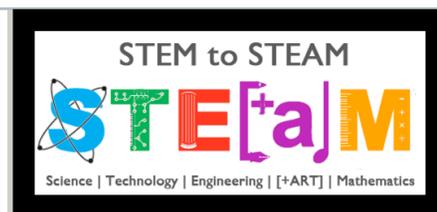
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Why Study Chinese?

There are many compelling reasons to study Chinese. Many people simply enjoy studying foreign languages. Chinese is particularly fascinating because of its beautiful handwriting, melodic spoken language, and poetic phrasing. There are also very practical reasons to acquire another language and Chinese is increasingly important to our current and future dialogue with China. According to the Asia Society, “The rise of China presents new economic, political and social realities that demand greater U.S. engagement at every level. As the foundation of that engagement, we urgently need to raise the number of Americans who can demonstrate a functional proficiency in Chinese.”

China’s long history—more than 5,000 years—and its splendid traditions in literature, the arts, and cuisine make learning to speak Chinese an exploration and adventure. There are more people speaking Chinese than English. It’s the number one spoken language in the world One out of five people is Chinese. If I can speak Chinese, I can communicate with more people different from myself, and learn things about different cultures.

Chinese Is Easy, Fun, and Interesting!

- Chinese is mentally stimulating, interesting, and fun
- Chinese words are artistically formed
- Chinese culture is one of the oldest in the world
- If you know 1000 commonly used characters, You will Recognize 90% of the characters In Chinese newspapers

Chinese Is Important For Your Career!

- Chinese language skills are a resume-builder— Knowing Chinese may give you an edge when Competing for Employment
- International businesses prefer to hire people who Speak More than one language
- China is and will be an important business and Economic Partner of the U.S. and the world
- China is a wonderful country to teach English in
- China will play a major role in world affairs in the Future.

What is STEAM?

STEAM is an educational approach to learning that uses Science, Technology, Engineering, the Arts and Mathematics as access points for guiding student inquiry, dialogue, and critical thinking. The end results are students who take thoughtful risks, engage in experiential learning, persist in problem solving, embrace collaboration, and work through the creative process. These are the innovators, educators, leaders, and learners of the 21st century.

Why are STEAM Important?

Not only can STEAM save the world, it can save our kids too by making their future bright. STEAM jobs are expected to grow by 16% in the US between 2014 and 2024 compared to only 11% for other sectors. And right now, science & engineering careers earn more than double the income of the median job in the United States. Despite this, math performance in US students is faltering and STEAM graduates are dropping out of their fields. And let’s not even get started on some of the inequities for women and minorities. So how do we fix this? Start young. Let’s work together to get more STEAM education into elementary schools. Because without improving STEAM education in our schools, the US is going to fall behind in the global technology race. And with that goes the potential for our children’s futures.