

# China Trip 2019

China Trip Meeting

# Some Useful Numbers

## Mainland China

- Population: 1.3+ billion
- Written language:  
Simplified Chinese

## Taiwan

- Population: 23+ million
- Written Language:  
Traditional Chinese



# Meeting Agenda

- Benefits of Travel
- Trip Objectives
- Travel Dates
- Itinerary
- Costs
- Preparation for the Meetings
- Action Items for Families
- Scholarship opportunities

# Benefits of Travel

- Getting out of your comfort zone
- Building confidence
- Developing cultural sensitivity
- Widening your horizons
- Immersion in a second (or third) language
- Becoming a global citizen



# Objectives

- Travelers vs. Tourists
- Learning about new cultures
- Respect
- Immersion in language and culture
- Using the Chinese language
- Making friends

**Travel with Purpose!**  
**This is no vacation!**

# Travel Dates

- Approximately June 23-July 7, 2019
- +/- 2 or 3 days on either end depending on airfare



# Itinerary

Mainland China



Our  
Destination



美丽中国  
*Beautiful  
China*



# Our Destination

- Beijing
- Inner Mongolia
- At least 1 other city

# Project-Based & Task-Based

- Plan together, answering *when, what, why, how, & who*
- Complete a focused project, finding a specific area you would like to explore:
  - Food, natural environment, people, history, society, culture, relationships, etc...



# Task-Based Sample

## Step I

- Instructions: Your next stop is Tamshui Fisherman's Wharf.
- Task: Find out what the most famous food is in this area.

## Step II

- Instructions: Dr. Lien will meet you at the Lover's Bridge at 11 a.m. We will then go to the restaurant together to try the locals' favorite famous dish.
- [Lover's Bridge](#)

# Costs

- Minimum of 10 students from 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade
- Estimated cost is \$3,300+ (not including visa application fees)
  - Covers airfare, transportation around the island, local lodging, food, chaperones, local tour guides, and student leaders from local colleges or high schools



# Required 2019 Meetings for Travelers & Families

- Monday, January 14, 6 p.m.
- Tuesday, February 19, 6 p.m.
- Wednesday, March 20, 6 p.m.
- Wednesday, April 24, 6 p.m.
- Thursday, May 30, 6 p.m.
- June meeting: TBD

## Required Meetings for Travelers

- Student travelers will also be required to participate in a trip prep. Workshop/club during the Term III activity period that meets 8 times



## Action Items for the Family

- Will your student go on this trip?
  - Application Deadline: Monday, December 3
  - Deposit: \$200

# How to Apply

<https://www.yinghuaacademy.org/current-families/ms-china-trip/>

The screenshot displays the website for Yinghua Academy. At the top, there is a search bar and a navigation menu with the following items: ABOUT US, PROSPECTIVE FAMILIES, CURRENT FAMILIES, RESOURCES, and YACA/VOLUNTEER. The main content area features a large banner titled "Preparation for a Global Future" with a sub-header "Yinghua Academy is the only full immersion Mandarin Chinese school in Minneapolis. It opened in 2006 as the first public Chinese immersion school in the U.S. and the first Chinese immersion school in the Midwest. Yinghua continues to be a national leader, offering an international perspective and outstanding results." Below this, there is a section for "新闻 | News & Events" with three articles: "Roller Skating" (with links for Grade 1 and Grades 2-8 registration), "Board Approves February 2019 Date Changes" (with a "READ MORE" button), and "Volunteers Needed" (with a "READ MORE" button). A vertical sidebar on the right contains a list of links: ABSENCE/EARLY DISMISSAL/TARDY, AFTER SCHOOL & MORNING CARE, CLASSROOM PHOTOS, FORMS, HEALTH SERVICES, LIBRARY, LUNCH, MASTER CALENDAR, MS CHINESE TRIP, NEWSLETTERS, PHYSICAL EDUCATION, SILENT DISMISSAL, SPECIAL EDUCATION, STUDENT & FAMILY HANDBOOK, SUMMER PROGRAMS, TRANSPORTATION & SILENT DISMISSAL, UNIFORMS, and WEATHER-RELATED SCHOOL CLOSINGS. At the bottom right, there is a video player titled "See & Hear Yinghua Students & Teachers" showing two students working on a project.



# Scholarships

- This year YACA will sponsor a small number of need-based scholarships for students currently in 7th or 8th grade who plan to go on the China Trip in summer of 2019.
- Scholarships will cover between \$800 and \$2,400 of the total costs. Total trip costs are estimated at \$3,300 with an additional \$600-800 needed for the passport, visa, gifts, and spending money.

# Scholarships

- Scholarships will be based on need. Priority will be given to students who have Free and Reduced Lunch status but eligibility will not be limited to those students.
- Because these scholarships are need based, confidentiality will be strictly maintained and names will not be announced.
- Questions or ideas? Please contact YACA at [Chinese.Trip.Scholarship@yinghuaacademy.org](mailto:Chinese.Trip.Scholarship@yinghuaacademy.org)



# Questions

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Thank you!