

**China Trip
2019
Parent
Meeting**

April 24, 2019

Meeting Agenda

- China Visa application progress Survey
- gift ideas (see handout)
- First drafted itinerary
- June Meeting date and Time
- Student and Parent WeChat account
- Money exchange
- Visa Q&A, Invitation letter

China Visa Application Progress

- Already sent the package to Fenny / your travel agent
- Working on the document and will mail the package soon
- Haven't started but have a clear understanding of how to apply
- Haven't started and not sure what and how to do

*** If you applied through Fenny, your child's passport will be mailed to YA.

*** we suggested you check 2.2 box on the application form as "multiple entries valid for 10 year from the date of issue, but Fenny would like you to know it's not guaranteed that you will be granted the 10 year one. Don't worry, it will not affect the Visa processing.

*** We will be collecting your passport and Visa at our next meeting in May 30 and June 11.

Gift Ideas - Please see the handout

- Bring AT LEAST 2 family gifts for each host family.

Many students will have more than one host family. (Female Adult,

Male Adult and Unisex Child gifts or one gift for parents, one for child)

Medium size gift for host, such as: lotion, dream catcher from MN, MN themed gifts, coffee mug (qty. 2)

- Small gifts for new friends, such as: postcards, key chains, honey sticks, lip balm, MN candy, YA zipper pulls (20-30 qty.)

Itinerary - first draft

- **Thursday, June 20**
 - 8:45AM-11:26 MSP-DTW
 - 5:30AM **Meet at Terminal 1 at Delta Group Check in counter** (basement)
 - Wear YA Spirit Shirt (Red)
 - Students check in with Group 1 chaperone teachers
 - Teachers distribute luggage tags and ID badge to students
 - Group check in
 - Lunch at DTW (on your own)
 - 2:06 pm - 3:30 pm DTW-PEK (local time Friday) travel time 13 hrs



June 21-23 — 西安 XiAn

西安旅遊宣导片

秦始皇兵马俑



June 21-23 — XiAn 西安

- 西安博物馆 **XiAn Museum** <http://www.xabwy.com/Project.aspx?NID=000002000001&Url=index.html>
- 大雁塔北广场 **Dayan Pagoda Northern Square**
https://cn.tripadvisor.com/Attraction_Review-g298557-d1801596-Reviews-Dayan_Pagoda_Northern_Square-Xi_an_Shaanxi.html#photos:aggregationId=&albumid=101&filter=7&ff=29666590
- 华清宫 **HuaQing Palace**
https://cn.tripadvisor.com/Attraction_Review-g298557-d324508-Reviews-Huqing_Palace-Xi_an_Shaanxi.html
- 秦始皇帝陵博物馆 **The Museum of Qin Terra-cotta Warriors and Horses**
- 关中民俗博物院 **GuanZhong Folk Art Museum**
https://cn.tripadvisor.com/Attraction_Review-g298557-d2241729-Reviews-Xi_an_Guanzhong_Folk_Art_Museum-Xi_an_Shaanxi.html
- 明城墙 **Xian City Wall** 钟鼓楼广场 **Drum Tower Square**
https://cn.tripadvisor.com/Attraction_Review-g298557-d1801568-Reviews-Drum_Tower_Square-Xi_an_Shaanxi.html
- 穆斯林小吃步行街 **Muslim Market**
https://cn.tripadvisor.com/Attraction_Review-g298557-d2338012-Reviews-Muslim_market-Xi_an_Shaanxi.html
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June 24-28

呼和浩特市

Hohhot, Inner Mongolia



- Mohhot No.8 Middle School 呼市八中

- https://v.youku.com/v_show/id_XMzEzMzI1ODlwMA==.html?spm=a2h0j.11185381.listitem_page1.5!5~A

- 内蒙古 inner Mongolia grassland tour

- 呼市美食街

- 呼和浩特市介绍

June 29— July 3 北京Beijing

北京旅游宣传片



- 北京故宫 [Forbidden City -The Palace Museum](#)
- 老北京三轮车漫步胡同 Beijing HuTong Tricycle Tour
- 毛主席纪念堂 [Chairman Mao Memorial Hall](#)
- 宋庆龄故居 Peking Former Residence of Soong Qing Ling
- 什刹海 [ShiChaHai Scenic Resort](#)
- 老舍茶馆 Laoshe Teahouse
- 八达岭长城 [The Great Wall at Badaling](#)
- 奥林匹克公园 [Olympic Park](#)
- 天坛 Temple of Heaven
- 颐和园 [Summer Palace](#)
- 百工博物馆 BaiGong Museum



Our next meetings

Thursday, May 30, 2019 (6pm-7pm)

- \$300 (last payment)
- Passport and valid Visa (**firm due date!**)
- Group T shirts distributed
- ID badge information confirmed
- Packing for the trip (**dress code**)
- things to know when staying with host family
- Safety tips (**meet the chaperones for small group discussion**)

Tuesday, June 11, 2019 (4pm-5pm)

- Departure information
 - Luggage tag will be distributed when meeting at the airport check-in.
 - Where to meet at the airport
- All documents submitted
- Student behavior expectation
- host family gift review
- Assignment check in
- US- China Communication

Student/Parent Wechat Account

Parent QR code:

If the QR code expired, we will give you the new one at next meeting.

All parents are required to sign in.

Student QR code:

If the QR code expired, we will give you the new one at next meeting.

Students are **NOT** required to sign in but recommended.

We will pair you up with someone who has the WeChat account.

One account should be able to be used on different kinds of mobile devices. (cell phone/ipad)

QR code for parents



ChinaTrip2019(for parents)



Valid until 5/1 and will update upon joining group

QR code for students



ChinaTrip2019(for students)



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Money exchange

<https://pocketsense.com/convert-usd-rmb-8758451.html>

<https://traveltips.usatoday.com/places-exchange-money-21176.html>

Order your travel money online

- **Suggested amount of travel money-**
- The maximum amount you should carry is \$400, unless you have a specific item you are purchasing.
- Spending money is for incidentals like snack, drinks and souvenirs, \$100-\$200 is enough.
- Students should only carry cash for each day's outings.
- **Currency-** The RMB has 7 denominations in paper money and 6 in coins.
- **Exchange rate : 1 Chinese yuan= 0.15 USD**



- **Visa Application Q and A/ Invitation letter**
- **Health Q and A (Nurse Ginger Hao)**

Thank you all for coming!!