STUDENT APPLICATION
2020-2021 ACADEMIC YEAR

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Thank you for considering Yinghua Academy for your child’s education!

Founded in 2006, Yinghua Academy became the first Chinese immersion public charter school in the United States. In the fall of 2006, 79 students walked through the doors of Yinghua Academy. During the 2019-20 school year, we have an enrollment of 825. The school has grown from a K–5 elementary school to a K–4 lower school and 5-8 middle school program.

As the first school of its kind in the United States, Yinghua Academy has emerged as a leader in Chinese immersion education and was recognized as a 2015 National Blue Ribbon School. The school creates curriculum recognized nationally and internationally for its effectiveness, leading to bi-literacy in Mandarin Chinese and English for all students. Our curriculum covers all Minnesota State Standards and the Core Knowledge Sequence, building both subject area knowledge and Mandarin fluency from year to year.

PLEASE READ ALL INFORMATION BELOW BEFORE SUBMITTING THE APPLICATION.

1) Complete and return this form for new student applications, sibling applications, or children of staff/teacher applications.

2) No application will be accepted until the Open Enrollment Period has begun.

3) The 2020-2021 Open Enrollment Period is Thursday, January 2, 2020—Friday, February 21, 2020 at 5:00 PM.

4) If we have received more applications than we can accommodate, we will hold a lottery during a public meeting on Saturday, February 29, 2020 at 10:00 AM at Yinghua Academy.

5) After the close of the Open Enrollment Period, Yinghua Academy will continue to accept applications for all grades. If there is no space available in a specific grade, the prospective student will be put on a wait list.

More information on our enrollment policies can be found on our website:
http://www.yinghuaacademy.org/prospective-families/enrollment-process

Yinghua Academy does not unlawfully discriminate on the basis of race, color, creed, religion, national origin, gender, status with regard to public assistance, disability, sexual orientation, age, nor any other protected class. The school district also makes reasonable accommodations for students with disabilities, special needs, and limited English proficiency.
Enrollment Preference: According to Yinghua Academy Board Policy (YA 010 Admissions and Lottery Policy Section 7)
(a.) Siblings of Enrolled Students: Siblings, who submit an application before the expiration of the open enrollment period, of currently enrolled students are automatically admitted even if their admission and subsequent enrollment exceeds the available capacity established by the Board for the applicable grade(s).
(b.) Children of Staff Employed at Yinghua Academy: Children of staff employed at the school, who submit an application before the expiration of the open enrollment period, are automatically admitted even if their admission and subsequent enrollment exceeds the available capacity established by the Board for the applicable grade(s).

Kindergarten Enrollment: For 2020-2021 school year, Kindergarten applicants must have been born on or before September 1, 2015.

Application Process: Applications must be received in person or via postal mail only. Yinghua Academy will send confirmations via email (or postal mail if no email is provided) within 5 days of receipt of applications. If you do not receive confirmation, you should call or email the main office.

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