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To: Yinghua Middle School families and students

From: Luyi Lien

Re: Upcoming presentations in Discovery—UMN Flagship

An exciting opportunity for Yinghua Academy Middle Schoolers is coming up in March and April, starting on March 2. Student ambassadors from the University of Minnesota Chinese Flagship Program will begin a weekly, virtual mini-lecture series with us during our Discovery periods. UMN students will speak, in Chinese, to one grade level per week, and the schedule and topics are attached.

The Chinese Flagship Program at UMN is an academic program that allows students to take a multi-disciplinary approach to learning and to integrate their majors with a Mandarin Chinese focus. Flagship program student majors range from Economics and Business to Journalism and Computer Science.

Chinese language learning is a lifelong skill, and we are excited to have visitors who will share examples of pursuing an academic passion while continuing to build their Chinese language skills. We hope that the UMN Chinese Flagship students and professors inspire our students to think about the expansive and diverse opportunities that lie ahead.

If you have any questions, contact me at luyi.lien@yinghuaacademy.org.

Discover Flagship: Chinese Across the Academic Disciplines

Grade & Date	UMN Flagship Presentations during MS Discovery, Term III, 2021
Grade 8 Tuesday, March 2	<p>Topic: What is the Chinese Flagship? 什么是中文领航?</p> <p>Presenters: Ning Ma, Director of Chinese Flagship Program Yao Tu, Associate Director of Chinese Flagship Program Aaron Schmidt, Chinese Flagship student</p>
Grade 6 Monday, March 15	<p>Topic 1: The Evolution of Chinese Characters 中国文字的演变 Presenter: Kate Hein, Global Studies and Asian and Middle Eastern Studies</p> <p>Topic 2: Why Prices Change 为什么价格会变化? Presenter: Royce Sessions, Economics and Asian and Middle Eastern Studies</p> <p>Topic 3: Business Principles Behind a Lemonade Stand 柠檬摊的商业原理 Presenter: Samuel Yue, majoring in Management Information Systems</p>
Grade 5 Wednesday, March 24	<p>Topic 1: What is Elementary School Like in China? 中国的小学是什么样的? Presenter: Killua Paley, Asian and Middle Eastern Studies</p> <p>Topic 2: Cultural Exchange Programs for Teens 青少年文化交流项目介绍 Presenter: Jessica Chang, Business and Marketing Education and Asian and Middle Eastern Studies</p> <p>Topic 3: The 5 Ws (and an H) of Journalism 新闻学的5W和1H Presenter: Katie Salai, in Journalism and Asian and Middle Eastern Studies</p>
Grade 8 Tuesday, March 30	<p>Topic 1: What is Artificial Intelligence? 什么是人工智能 Presenter: Bee Yang, Management Information Systems.</p> <p>Topic 2: The Computer Science Behind Self-Driving Cars 自动驾驶汽车背后的计算机科学 Presenter: Aaron Schmidt, Computer Science</p> <p>Topic 3: What is Linguistics? 什么是语言学 Presenter: Maggie Lundberg, Linguistics and Asian and Middle Eastern Studies</p>
Grade 7 Wednesday, April 7	<p>Topic 1: Why You Can't Say "Apple an Eats the Boy"?- An Introduction to Semantics. 为什么不能说“苹果一个吃男孩”? -句法学介绍 Presenter: Caleb Feltis, Computer Science, French Studies, and Linguistics</p> <p>Topic 2 : The Computer Science Behind Mars Rover 火星车背后的计算机科学 Presenter: Zoe Rudd, Computer Science and Asian and Middle Eastern Studies</p> <p>Topic 3: The Computer Science Behind Virtual Reality? 虚拟现实的计算机原理 Presenter: Spencer Holgate, Computer Science and Asian and Middle Eastern Studies</p>