

STUDENT APPLICATION 2026-2027 ACADEMIC YEAR



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PAGE 1: INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS

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 2025-26 school year, we have an enrollment of 870. 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 2026-2027 Open Enrollment Period is **Tuesday, January 6, 2026—Thursday, February 26, 2026 at 5:00 PM.**
- 4) If we have received more applications than we can accommodate, we will hold a virtual lottery on **Friday, February 27, 2026 at 5:00 PM at Yinghua Academy.** Zoom link will be shared on our school website in the morning of the lottery.
- 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.

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Kindergarten Enrollment: For 2026-2027 school year, Kindergarten applicants must have been born on or before September 1, 2021.

Application Process: The completed form may be mailed, dropped off at our office or emailed to renee.cosgrove@yinghuacademy.org. You may also fill out the online form at Yinghuacademy.org. 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, please email renee.cosgrove@yinghuacademy.org**

STUDENT INFORMATION (Please print clearly!)

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ M.I.: _____

Home Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Grade applying for in 2025-2026: K 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 (Circle one)

Student Qualifies for Enrollment Preference (see above): Yes No (Circle one)

If yes, list names and grades of siblings enrolled at Yinghua Academy or name of teacher or staff parent currently working at Yinghua Academy:

PARENT / GUARDIAN INFORMATION (Please print clearly!)

Parent / Guardian 1: _____ Day Phone: _____

Email: _____

Address (if different from student): _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Parent / Guardian 2: _____ Day Phone: _____

Email: _____

Address (if different from student): _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

PARENT / GUARDIAN VERIFICATION OF INFORMATION

I hereby verify that the above information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Parent/Guardian 1: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian 2: _____ Date: _____

OFFICE ONLY

Date : _____

Time: _____ AM/PM

Staff: _____

Confirmation Sent

