



2009-2010 Chinese Language and Culture Class

The goal of the TOPS Chinese Language and Culture program is to provide Chinese language instruction that is fun and developmentally-appropriate. The emphasis is on speaking and listening with some character writing. We hope it will give the kids important early exposure to foreign languages and will instill in them a love of language learning and an appreciation of Chinese culture. Classes are offered in three sections, with grades 1-5 starting in October, and Kindergarteners starting in January. Classes are open to students entering the program at any level. Class runs from **3:40-4:25**, with snack provided at the start.

Grades 1-2 Beginning	Grades 2-5 Intermediate	Kindergarten
No prior instruction OR instruction through Kindergarten class.	Prior instruction in grade 1 or higher.	Open to all K students.
Thursdays Starts October 29, 2009 Cost: \$140 for 22 weeks	Tuesdays Starts October 27, 2009 Cost: \$140 for 22 weeks	Tuesdays Starts January 5, 2010 Cost: \$75 for 16 weeks
Teacher: Pollyanna (Yea-Jae) Wang will return for her third year teaching Chinese at TOPS. A Chinese native, she holds a Masters in Education degree from Ohio State. She has taught Chinese for close to a decade, and she currently teaches Chinese at University Prep. She participated in a federally-funded program that aims to combine Chinese language instruction with Math.		Teacher: Xiao Yu Jackson is a Chinese interpreter and parent at TOPS. She is a native of Hunan Province. She majored in Psychology at San Francisco State and has completed her Masters in Social Work at the UW. This will be her 5th year teaching Mandarin at TOPS.

Funding: The TOPS Chinese Language and Culture class is parent-funded. We have a Site Council grant this year, and that money is being used to reduce tuition for all enrolled students. If you would like to request additional scholarship help, please let us know on the attached application.

Contacts: The Chinese program is run by parents. For more information on how you can volunteer, please contact: Nancy Bacon (nancy@bahiastreet.org).

REGISTRATION FORM

Grade 1-2 Beginning (Thurs) Grade 2-5 Intermediate (Tues) Kindergarten class (Tuesdays starting Jan)

CHILD'S NAME _____ PARENT'S NAME _____

PHONE _____ ALTERNATIVE PHONE (CELL) _____

PARENT'S EMAIL _____ CHILD'S GRADE _____ TEACHER _____

NONE SOME A LOT COMMENTS: _____

PRIOR CHINESE LEARNING _____

ALLERGIES OR SPECIAL CONCERNS (Children will be served a snack before class begins.) _____

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM AND A CHECK to the TOPS Main Office. Checks should be written out to: FRIENDS OF TOPS. Registration is on a first-come, first-serve basis—please sign up soon!

- FULL TUITION IS ENCLOSED. \$ _____.
- I AM REQUESTING A PARTIAL SCHOLARSHIP. I can pay and am enclosing \$ _____. (Note that you must pay something towards the program fee.)
- I WOULD LIKE TO CONTRIBUTE THE FOLLOWING AMOUNT TO THE SCHOLARSHIP & PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT FUND. \$ _____.