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Chinese – Level 2

[**Huānyíng**](http://www.mdbg.net/chindict/chindict.php?page=worddict&wdrst=1&wdqb=huanying)**!** I am thrilled to have you in Chinese 2 this year. We are already off to a great start. As most of you know from last year, we will be using a lot of Chinese in class. The best way to learn a language is immersion. I want to use as much of our limited class time for you to be hearing and speaking the Chinese language. I expect you to use what you know!

Course description

Almost 20% of the world’s population is Chinese. In the past decade, China has exploded onto the world stage. Whatever your future, I am confident that understanding the Chinese language and culture will help you to be successful. This year we will build on the foundation you have already established—with more advanced vocabulary and sophisticated sentence structures, you will be able to participate more fully in everyday activities. Our focus will still be speaking and listening, but those skills will be expanded as you continue to read and write characters. As you become further immersed in Chinese culture, you will be even better able to discern and discuss the differences between Chinese and American cultures.

Classroom materials

You will need to bring **two journals**—one for in-class assignments and the other as an at-home study resource. You’ll want to bring your **3-ring binder** from last year, along with last year’s handouts. Make sure to bring **paper** and a **pen or pencil** to class daily. If you’d like to borrow a pencil from me, you can trade me for a late coupon or hall pass.

Keys for Success

I love learning and highly value your educational experience in a safe learning environment. I expect everyone to come to class **prepared** to work hard; be willing to **participate**. You will receive points in class for your willing participation. Students progress most quickly when they speak all the Chinese they know in class. Be **playful** as you learn a new language. Seeking to **enjoy** this subject will make all the difference!

Grades

I want you all to be successful in this class. In-class participation and out-of-class preparation are vital to learning Chinese. You will receive daily participation points and points for assignments, presentations and tests. Typically, homework will be frequent but brief. Language learning takes daily practice. Plan on spending at least **10 minutes each day** reviewing the language. Find ways to make it **fun**.Review with a friend. Watch funny Chinese videos. Or come work with my mentors during Flex. Ultimately, if you focus on learning Chinese this year, good grades will naturally follow. I want you to be successful! Please come see me if you have any questions or concerns.

Grading Scale

A 94-100 A- 90-93

B+ 87-89 B 83-86 B- 80-82

C+ 77-79 C 73-76 C- 70-72

D+ 67-69 D 63-66 D- 60-62

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Late work and make-up work

It is crucial that you are in class each day. With the A/B schedule, we will cover a lot of ground each class period. Come to class on time each day (you will lose half of your daily participation points for tardies) ready to work. Keep up on your work. Language builds on itself, so you need to stay with the class. In the case of emergency, you will have **2 late work coupons per term**. **Use them wisely**. There is no partial credit for other late work. If you do not use the coupons by the end of the term, you may redeem them for extra credit. If you miss class, you will have **7 days** from the day you return to make up your work. (This includes oral presentations and quizzes you may have missed while absent. After 7 days of your returning, you will need to use your late coupon to submit anything for points.) Please see my **website** <http://tannerchinese2.weebly.com/> and your **class crate** for absent work. Quiz or presentation make-up time will be held on ***Wednesdays*** ***before/after school or during Flex*** and on ***Friday*** ***during Flex*** each week. Plan your schedules to be able to complete your missing work.

Technology

We will be using various types of technology in this class (gmail, google docs, flip cameras). Students are provided with a district email address for all school-related assignments. All technology should be to help you better learn Chinese. Cell phones will be a great tool in this class (dictionaries, filming, music). If you have *my permission*, the use of cell phones is fine. If I see or hear cell phones without permission, it will be taken to the office, as the school policy states.

Hall Passes

Class time is precious. In case of an emergency, you will each have **2 hall passes** per term. I trust you to use them wisely. If you absolutely have to leave class, choose a time when I am not speaking to the class. Un-used hall passes may be redeemed at the end of the term for extra credit.

Other Policies

This class supports all school policies as stated in the Lehi Jr. High School planner.

Disclaimer

Every class is different. Throughout the year, it may become necessary to adjust some classroom and grading policies in order to reflect the type of assignments we end up doing in a particular class. These changes will be announced in class and made clear to all the students.

Chinese New Year

Chinese New Year is on **Monday, February 8th, 2016**. Our annual Flex Performance will be on **Thursday, February 4th** in the auditorium. Parents are welcome to join us in celebrating!

BYU Language Fair

Many Level 2 students will be invited to compete in the annual Language Fair held **Thursday, April 14th** on BYU campus. Typically, students are asked to cover the $3 entrance fee. This is a fabulous language-building opportunity where Lehi students always excel! The invitation to participate is conditioned on satisfactory grades and behavior.

Donations

If you would like to contribute to the Chinese class fund, click on the “Donate” link found at the bottom of the Lehi Jr. High home page. Under “Purpose of Donation,” specify the intended teacher’s name and the Alpine Foundation will get the funds to our class. Those resources will be used to enhance our classroom cultural experiences. Thank you in advance.

**有辦法**

Our class theme is , a Chinese phrase meaning, “there is a way.” I want you all to be successful this year in learning to communicate in and appreciate the Chinese language and culture. I expect that we will all work together with this attitude. !

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Please fill out the form below and return it to me:

Student name (Printed) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Class period\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Parents/Guardian (Printed) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Parent Email address \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

(Please make sure your email is up-to-date in Skyward, too.)

**I have read the disclosure document for this class together with my child, and s/he understands and agrees to abide by it.**

Parent/Guardian’s signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Student’s signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Parents**: please use the comments section below to inform me of any special circumstances I should know about your student. **Feel free to contact me regarding the performance of your student in my class.** Check my website<http://tannerchinese2.weebly.com/>, email me at [ntanner@alpinedistrict.org](mailto:ntanner@alpinedistrict.org) or call (801) 768-7010 Ext. 312.

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