

Ben Barber Innovation Academy

華語(华语) Pre-AP Mandarin Chinese 2/Chinese 2

2020 Spring Semester---Syllabus

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Course Information:

Pre-AP Chinese II and Chinese II continue to develop the oral skills with added emphasis on reading and writing skills. The focus is on the development of mid-to high-novice proficiency. Expansion of vocabulary and grammatical structures continues. Contrast between English and Chinese will strengthen the language learning process. Culturally related activities of selected Chinese speaking countries or regions will be explored.

Students will learn topics on food, school life, time, weather, jobs, hobbies, festivals, calligraphy, and other cultural aspects.

Teacher Information:

- Teacher: **Lei-Jane Chou**
- Subject: Pre-AP Mandarin Chinese 2/Mandarin Chinese 2
- Grade level: High School ---9th-12th grade
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Textbooks/Readings/Materials:

- Kuaile Hanyu Book II --- Portions of the material will be handed out.
- Teacher's PowerPoint materials will be showcased.
- The video of a kaleidoscope of Chinese culture will be shown.
- The video of China: A Great Country in the East will be shown.
- The video about Confucius' analects will be shown.
- At times RosettaStone will be used in the classroom.
- Some learning materials will be posted on Google Classroom.
- Internet enrichment opportunities are available:

<http://www.yellowbridge.com/>

chinapage.com

betterchinese.com

[on-line Chinese tool](http://on-line.Chinese.tool)

chinasprout.com

<http://www.lyngua.com>

<http://www.languageguide.org>

<http://home.kimo.com.tw>

Course Policies:

1. Grading Policy

- 90---100 Outstanding Progress
- 80---89 Good Progress
- 70---79 Satisfactory progress
- 69---and below Failing
- I Incomplete

Six Week Grading ---

Tests/Projects---40%

- Every three lessons has one test.
You need to check the Google Classroom.
- Students can retake a failed test.

Language/communication---Listening/Speaking/Reading/writing--- 35%

- CD or firsthand listening will be incorporated.
- Dictations will be utilized.
- Students will create their own sentences by pictures interact with the teacher.

Daily/Quizzes/Homework ---25%

- Daily assignments should be completed in class.
- One day tardy will be accepted but it will be counted as 70.

Final Grade---

- 80% --- 1st, 2nd, 3rd six weeks average
- 20% --- Final Exam

Retests---

A student who fails a test may retake a similar test under these conditions:

- A student must request a make-up test. He/She must schedule an appointment. This does **not** apply to the final exam.
- It must be understood that his/her highest grade on any retake test would be **70**.
- All retakes must be completed prior to the end of each six week grading period.

2. Attendance Policy/Class Participation---

- You must enter/leave the classroom with your ID.
- You must be on time in class.
You will be counted as absent if you are late for 20 minutes.
- Assistant Principal will talk to you if you are on the 5th tardy.

- You will be absent fail if you have the 5th day absent.
- I will contact your parents/guardian if you are absent 3 times.

3. Missed Assignments/Academic Dishonesty ---

- One tardy day will be accepted but it will be 70.
- You will receive a zero if you are caught cheating on any tests or quiz and you will not be permitted to retake the quiz or test.

4. Classroom Expectations/Rules---

Expectations---

- **Punctuality**
You are required to be in your chair and studying when the bell rings.
- **Preparation**
You are required to bring your Mandarin handouts, spiral notebook as well as your pencil.
- **Responsibility**
Be polite --- Always show good manners. Don't speak bad words.
- **Don't touch other students or their belongings.**
- **Participation**
You are expected to participate in all of our class activities.
- **Concentration**
Be attentive and not talk when teacher is instructing.

Rules---

- You always need to display your ID when you come to the classroom.
- You need to take responsibility for your own behavior.
- You must turn off cell phone before you enter the classroom.
- Don't charge your cell phone in the classroom. Please charge it at your home.
- Drinks and food are not allowed.
- Don't take out your I-pad without permission.
- No personal grooming or make-up is allowed to take place in the classroom.
- Don't leave the classroom until teacher dismissal.
- Don't abuse or misuse furniture or supplies.
- Don't do other subject homework.
- If you go to the restroom during class, you need to sign what time/date you leave/come back.
- Always keep the classroom clean.

If the student does not follow the rules, the following consequences will be in place.

1. Verbal warning.
2. Time out or separation from peers.
3. Removal from classroom. Alternative work to be assigned when possible.

4. Referral---administration consequences.

5. Tutorial Support

- Tutorial time will be 6:30-7:00 AM on Tuesday and Thursday.
Please tell me in advance if you need.
- I will be happy to clarify any misunderstanding.

6. Test Retakes

- Students who fail a major test (below 70%) will be allowed to retake up to a 70% grade. This does not include semester examinations.
- Students are expected to make arrangements with the teacher to retake a test.
- Students are encouraged to participate in tutoring opportunities before retaking a test.
- All retakes must be completed **prior to** the end of each six week grading period.

