Two Cultures One Amazing Child



EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

Ages 2-5

YCIS
SILICON VALLEY



The YCIS Difference

An education without compromise

Choosing the right school often means deciding what to give up. Rigor or joy? Tests or inquiry? East or West?

At YCIS Silicon Valley, families don't have to compromise. It is the founding vision on which our school was designed and built.

It doesn't matter what language your child speaks when they arrive. Children graduate from our ECE program with a foundation in English and Mandarin, the curiosity and social-emotional skills to thrive in elementary school, and a sense of belonging in both worlds.

We are the only YCIS campus in the United States, drawing on 90+ years of educational experience and a global network of 10,000 students and faculty.





Character-First

The best of Eastern and Western virtues

YCIS was founded on the belief that the core purpose of education is character development. For us, an international education is measured less by what a child learns than by who they become. Children here grow up with respect, perseverance and community alongside independence, curiosity and self-expression.

Character is more than a storybook lesson. It is modeled through small moments throughout the day. Teachers guide children through these values as they learn to take turns sharing a favorite toy, manage feelings and repair a friendship after a disagreement. As little minds grow, it's just as important that we nurture their hearts.



Co-Teaching Model

Two teachers. One classroom. Equal partners

Two trained early childhood educators, one native English speaker and one native Mandarin speaker, lead every classroom together as equal partners. **This one-of-a-kind model makes our school a place where true cross-cultural learning happens every day.**

In this inclusive environment, children experience the world through structure and reflection, individual voice and shared responsibility. Learning deepens in our small classes, where both teachers guide their students through literacy, mathematics, expressive arts and the social-emotional foundations that ready them for the next step up.

Inquiry-Based Learning

Where a child's interest leads

At YCIS, play is at the heart of meaningful learning. Children this age are naturally curious, making sense of the world through exploration and conversation.

Our teachers are trained to notice what captures each child's interest and build on it. A fascination with trucks and insects becomes a deeper investigation of movement, nature and measurement. This elevates play into high-level learning while keeping it joyful and child-led.

Curiosity nurtured here becomes a habit. It is the difference between memorizing answers and the satisfaction of understanding how things work.



Preschool through TK

Our ECE campus welcomes children from age 2 through Transitional Kindergarten (TK).

Ready for Kindergarten

Elementary school continues at our K-8 campus, where character grows alongside challenging academics, music, art, study trips and after-school enrichment programs.

Admissions Steps

1. Explore our website
2. Visit us by booking a tour or joining an open house
3. Submit your application

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