

West Des Moines Community Schools

Bridges to China



2009 Summer Chinese Camp
June 8 - June 26
Monday - Friday
8:00 am - 11:50 am
Stilwell Junior High School



What will you do in Chinese Camp?

- Learn the Chinese language from an experienced native Chinese teacher
- Work with native Chinese peer mentors
- Separate Chinese and English classrooms will help you succeed in Chinese
- Have fun with your team partners exploring Chinese and playing games
- Use Chinese cartoon materials as a resource
- Make your own Chinese cartoon and skits for your friends and family
- Trace and draw Chinese characters
- Learn the Chinese martial arts Taiji Quan and Wushu/Kungfu
- Participate in a Chinese Tea Ceremony
- Eat Chinese food
- Play Chinese Chess, Majiang, and compete with friends

Chinese Writing



Trace the Chinese characters you learn in class. Learn Chinese Calligraphy with Chinese brushes.

Chinese Taiji Quan and Wushu (or Kungfu) Martial Arts

Taiji Quan, a Taoist Martial Art, is known for its slow and gentle movements. Chinese Wushu (or Kungfu) is characterized by speed and vigor. It appeared in ancient China as early as 2,500 years ago and portrays the movements and postures of various animals.



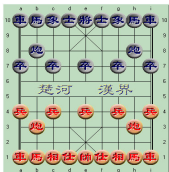
Chinese Food

What is Chinese food? There are more than 56 nationalities in China and districts have different dining habits. Experience authentic Chinese food with friends from Chinese Camp.



Chinese Games

Is Chinese Chess the same as the Chess game you play? Play games every day at Chinese Camp! Learn Majiang, a game played with tiles that is one of the most popular games in China.



Chinese Tea Ceremony



Did you know China is the homeland of tea? It is believed that China had tea shrubs as early as 5,000-6,000 years ago and human cultivation of tea plants dates back 2,000 years. Compare the taste and aroma of various types of tea during the tea ceremony.

Students currently enrolled in Grades 6, 7, and 8 in West Des Moines Community Schools are eligible to register for Chinese Camp. All students will receive a scholarship to cover tuition.

Please complete the Registration Form on the next page and return by May 1, to:

Community Education/WDMCSD
3550 Mills Civic Parkway
West Des Moines, IA 50265

Phone (515) 633-5065

Fax (515) 633-5103

<http://www.wdmcs.org/district/commed/>

2009 Summer Chinese Camp "Bridges to China" Registration Form

Student name _____ School Now Attending (2008-09) _____
Current Grade _____

Address _____
City, State, Zip _____

Parent/Guardian(s) _____

Work Phone (Father) _____ Work Phone (Mother) _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone (Father) _____
Cell Phone (Mother) _____

E-mail Address(es) _____

Is the student a heritage speaker (speaks or has studied Chinese)? Yes No

If yes, please tell us more about the Chinese language level of your student (for example: Chinese is spoken in our home, or the student attended a Chinese school for a semester/year).

Emergency Information (must be completed for registration to be processed)

Allergies/Medications (if any) _____
Medications to be given during program _____
Special needs of my child _____

Emergency Contacts (please list two names and phone numbers)

1. Name _____ Relationship to student _____
Phone number(s) _____
2. Name _____ Relationship to student _____
Phone number(s) _____

Photo Permission

- I give permission to have my student photographed.
- I prefer my child NOT be photographed for future use in district publications, website, or local media and newspapers. (No names will appear on website.)

All students enrolled will receive a scholarship to cover tuition. In 2-3 sentences, please share why your student wishes to attend Chinese Camp.

Parent/Guardian Authorization

The West Des Moines Community School District and its employees assume no liability for injury to any child during his/her participation in West Des Moines Schools Summer Programs. The parent/guardian will be responsible for paying all costs and fees contingent on any emergency medical care and /or treatment of the child.

Parent/Guardian Signature (required): _____

Date: _____