



Chinese DLI 4 2022 – 2023

Disclosure

Classroom: Rm 207

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Office hours: 7:30 a.m. – 7: 50 a.m.

3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

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Course Description: Welcome to the DLI Chinese 4 Class! I am looking forward to a great semester with you. Throughout this course, we will study the Chinese language and culture. My hope is that we can have fun exploring these subjects together. We have a lot of material to cover in one school year. Your daily attendance and participation is essential. In addition, I expect each student to display the characteristics of **personal responsibility, respect, integrity, discipline, and engagement**. In return for your attentiveness during class, I will do my part to make the course interesting and relevant to your lives.

Course Requirements/Materials:

1. Vocabulary, sentence structures, and grammatical concepts in *I4 Mandarin Matrix Units 1-6*.
2. Authentic materials from Chinese TV channels, newspapers, and magazines.
3. Selected Chinese readings from books and magazines.
4. Chinese movies or video clips and songs for this level.
5. Individual and group projects & oral presentations.
6. Practice Chinese daily for at least 15 minutes.

Necessary Supplies: A binder or folders (for keeping journals, Chinese readings, etc.), a notebook (for writing Chinese vocabulary and notes), personal stationery (pencils, red pen, pink highlighter, green highlighter, yellow highlighter and erasers etc.), a chromebook (school issued) and personal earphones.

POLICIES

Attendance and absent work: In our class, being on time means being in the classroom and being prepared when the bell rings. If you miss a day of class, you are responsible to look on Canvas and review

what you missed and complete the assignments for that day. Assignments are due the day you return to class. If you know in advance that you will miss school, please have the student notify me through email. Attendance is essential for your student's success in class because a huge part of our curriculum is activity based. Many activities we do in class cannot be replicated.

Homework: In order to keep things simple, all lessons, assignments, and assessments can be found on Canvas. Assessments must be done at school in the presence of the teacher. Please refer to each unit in "Modules" on Canvas. Students will progress in the order provided in each Module. Daily classwork or homework is approximately 15 - 20 minutes each day. Unfinished classroom work becomes homework. Students, please utilize the email function provided in Canvas. **Parents, please observe your student on Canvas and check their progress on Skyward weekly.**

Assessments/Tests: **There will be a test at the last meeting of each week** unless the teacher gives clear instruction not to do so. Come to class and stay engaged so that you will be more prepared for the weekly assessment.

Make-Up Work: All homework, quizzes and tests missed during an **excused** absence must be made up during PROWL or after school. Students need to let the teacher know in advance before coming for make-up work after school.

No food or drinks.

No gum policy: Gum chewing affects speaking Chinese correctly.

No usage of cell phone, smart watch, ear buds and other electronic devices: The school Chromebook is the only electronic device that can be used in Chinese class. Any other electronic devices will be confiscated. Please respect our learning time.

Grading:

Grading Policy

Student's Grades will be based on Assessments (80%) (Assessments includes weekly test/quiz, projects and presentations) and Practice (20%) (Practice includes: daily self-starter, participation, assignments and class work). The Quarter Grade reflects "language proficiency." All work is to be completed and turned in on time.

If students don't show proficiency on an assignment or assessment, they can ask for help and redo it. In order to redo practice work or retake an assessment students must come to the classroom during PROWL or after school.

Grade Breakdown

A 3.3-4.00	A- 3.00-3.29	B+ 2.85-2.99	B 2.65-2.84
B- 2.5-2.64	C+ 2.35-2.49	C 2.15-2.34	C- 2.00-2.14
D+ 1.85-1.99	F <1.85		

Citizenship: Citizenship grades will be separate from academic grades on Skyward. Students will get an "H" (honor) simply by following all the class rules, actively participating in class, being respectful and

kind to everyone. The class rules are being respectful and being responsible. Further details will be discussed in class.

Miscellaneous:

During a couple of our units in Chinese this year, part or all of the following movies MAY be shown to support the curriculum (in Chinese, of course):

- Mulan
- Kung Fu Panda
- The Karate Kid
- Up
- The Polar Express
- Rapunzel
- Frozen

If used, these movies/movie clips will be incorporated into the classroom activities as a way to support what we are learning. These movies are rated PG and so district policy requires that we notify you. If you don't want your student to view these films, please email or talk me. There will be alternate assignments for students who do not watch the movie/clip. Opting out will, in no way, adversely affect students' grades, provided that the alternate assignments are completed well.

***A Note on Bullying**

It is extremely important that everyone feels safe in my classroom and at South Jordan Middle School. Any form of bullying (including but not limited to teasing, name-calling, spreading rumors, using inappropriate gestures, excluding others from a group, etc.) is absolutely prohibited. Additionally, any form of cyber-bullying such as (sending inappropriate text messages, sending inappropriate pictures, spreading hurtful words through social media, etc.) will not be tolerated.

PLEASE CUT HERE AND RETURN THE BOTTOM PART TO MISS MA BY 8/22/2022 (MONDAY), IT COUNTS AS ONE ASSIGNMENT.

*I have read through, I understand, and I am prepared to abide by the policies and grading system for Miss Ma's Chinese class.

Student Name: _____ Period: _____

Student Signature: _____

Student's Email: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____