



Austin Chinese Education Services ACES 2016 Summer Camp “Chinese/English/Drum/Chess/Dance/Arts/Kung Fu/Science”

What is New?

Kung Fu: we have invited an experienced Kung Fu instructor, Steven Fontinelle, provide two weeks of Kung Fu summer camp for us. Steven currently teaches Kung Fu classes for ACES afternoon program.

Introduction of ACES 2016 Summer Camp

In the past years, we have developed a very successful summer program. ACES summer camp has not only provided the perfect environment for learning Chinese, but our Math, English and Chess classes have also been great additions to help give our students a more diverse and rigorous academic curriculum. This year, we will continue to provide an even better and higher quality summer program to give our kids an enjoyable and rewarding summer.

Camp Overview:

- ❑ **Camp Hours:**
 - All-day Session:** 8:00am until 6:00pm
 - Morning Session:** 8:00am until 12:00pm
 - Afternoon Session:** 1:00pm until 6:00pm
- ❑ **Days of the Week:** Monday – Friday
- ❑ **Dates of Camp:** Weekly Sessions June 6th through August 19th.
- ❑ **Ages:** 5-12
- ❑ **Weekly Cost:** \$200/all-day session (\$160 for July 4th week), \$140/half-day session(\$110 for July 4th week). Each additional sibling after the first child receives \$10 sibling discount.
- ❑ **Location:** 13581 Pond Springs Rd. Suite 200, Austin, TX 78729
- ❑ **Space is limited so enroll today.**

Camp Description:

1. **Purpose:** To comprehensively improve the student's Chinese proficiency as well as prepare the student for the next academic school year. The camp will combine English reading, writing, mathematics, and OLSAT training.
2. **Curriculum:**
 - ❑ **Chinese classes:** Chinese listening, speaking, reading, and writing.
The camp will not use any set of regular Chinese text books as teaching materials. Instead, we will use a series of Chinese children's songs, stories, and Chinese children's TV shows. The purpose of this course is to improve children's level of Chinese proficiency and spark their interest in learning Chinese. For children who do not have a Mandarin Chinese-speaking environment at home, this camp will help them focus on and improve their Chinese listening and speaking abilities.
 - ❑ **English, Math, OLSAT Combo:**
 1. **Intensive English Vocabulary Training:** The statistics and data analysis from our SAT preparation programs of the past years shows that our students master less vocabulary, in general, than what we expected and what SAT requires. Closing the vocabulary gap is a painful/time-consuming process and unpleasant experience for many students at SAT preparation time.

As we knew, vocabulary development is part of semantic memory development which doesn't depend on student ages. Many studies have shown that the best ages for semantic memory development are between ages 8 to 13. So we ask ourselves, why don't we have our students store enough vocabulary in their memory before high school age? Why do we overload/stress our high school students with SAS, AP and extra-curriculums instead of distributing some workload across middle school years? The vocabulary study in middle school age will really help in making the vocabulary memory become long-term and reference memory with life-long benefits.

2. **English Reading/Writing:** The purpose of this course is to improve the student's overall English Vocabulary, reading speed, reading comprehension and writing ability. To teach this course, we have invited highly experienced, recommended, and revered English teachers.
 3. **Math:** The math classes will focus on variety of math worksheets. The teacher will explain some typical questions and give students proper guidance. The types of Math problem include: 1). Fundamental concepts: The goal is to consolidate their fundamental understanding and enhance calculation speed. 2). Competition Math: These questions are different from those of basic math topics. They are the best training for children in thinking skills, including analysis, synthesis, induction, inference, and deduction. This early preparation is good training for students who are interested in participating in MathCounts and other math competitions in middle school and even high school.
 4. **OLSAT:** Each year in September, all RRISD students in grades 2, 4, and 6 are required to take the OLSAT test. The OLSAT is an abstract thinking and mental ability test which is often used to assess the intellectual level of students. We will also add other intellectual examination testing to the training class, so students will become familiar with such tests and thus be able to succeed on them. The OLSAT test is also essential for those children who wish to qualify for the TAG Program.
- ❑ **Chess:** The chess course curriculum will be organized to learn Chess theories, game training, as well as game review and analysis. Teachers will be very high USCF rated high school students who have great experience, performing well in many national tournaments. Chess camp will only be available for three weeks (see the enrollment form for the schedule).
 - ❑ **Drum:** We have an experienced drum teacher, Dieyu Cao. She graduated from Shanghai Conservatory of Music with Drum major. She have taught kids drum for several years. Drum camp will only be available for one week(see the enrollment form for the schedule).
 - ❑ **Dance:** This class is a combination of Ballet/Jazz/Tap combined with Hip-Hop dancing. The students will learn skills including ballet barre work, arm and foot positions, turns, leaps, dance combinations, and more. Additionally, this class will teach a very contemporary, popular, athletic dance style: Hip Hop. The class will be limited to 20 people. Dance camp will only be available for one weeks (see the enrollment form for the schedule).
 - ❑ **Arts:** We will provide three weeks of the Chinese/Art camp, which is composed of half a day of Chinese classes and half a day of drawing classes. If your child loves the arts, this will be a great opportunity to have more time to learn something he/she will enjoy. Unlike the weekly one-hour art class, which only does a small project, this camp will dedicate three hours every day and will be able to make 1-2 decent work of art. The class will be limited to 18 people. Art camp will only be available for three weeks (see the enrollment form for the schedule).
 - ❑ **Kung Fu:** We will provide two weeks of Kung Fu camp. The instructor, Steven Fontinelle, has Chinese martial arts training and teaching experience for eight years. Kung Fu class will be limited to 20 people. Kung Fu camp will only be available for two weeks (see the enrollment form for the schedule).
 - ❑ **Science:** This course format is somewhat similar to the "Mad Science," but it is slightly more in-depth. The course is will not only expose students to nature's scientific phenomena, but also try to teach them related theory. This course will be taught in Chinese in order to broaden the students'

science and technology vocabulary in Chinese. Science camp will only be available for one week (see the enrollment form for the schedule).

□ **Enrichment Activities:**

We provide crafts (Chinese knot, paper cutting, origami, etc.), instruction on how to make Chinese food (dumplings and moon cake, spring rolls, etc.), outdoor activities, field trip, etc.

Weekly Schedule:

Chinese classes will be scheduled every morning, while you have several options in afternoon, for example:

- For week 2, you take Chinese lessons every morning and choose English/Math/OLSAT or Chess in afternoon
- For week 7, you take Chinese lessons every morning and choose English/Math/OLSAT or Art in afternoon

Week	Dates	Afternoon (option I)	Afternoon (option II)	Morning
Week 1	6/6-6/10	Drum	English, Math, OLSAT Combo	Chinese
Week 2	6/13 -6/17	Chess		
Week 3	6/20 -6/24	Kung Fu		
Week 4	6/27 -7/01	Art		
Week 5	7/5-7/08	Art		
Week 6	7/11-7/15	Art		
Week 7	7/18 -7/22	Dance		
Week 8	7/25 -7/29	Kung Fu		
Week 9	8/1-8/5	Chess		
Week 10	8/08-8/12	Chess		
Week 11	8/15 -8/19	Science		

Daily Schedule:

- **Chinese/English,Math, OLSAT Combo Camp:**

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
8:00-9:00am	Morning PE, Handwork Games					
9:00-9:55am	Chinese Classes					
9:55-10:05am	Snack					
10:05-11:00am	Chinese Classes					
11:00-11:30am	Learning to sing Chinese Songs					
11:30am-12:15pm	Outside Play					
12:15-12:30pm	Rest, Washing Hand, Prepare for Lunch					
12:30-1:00pm	Lunch					
1:00-2:00pm	Rest, Free Play, Watch Chinese Movie..					
2:00-2:30pm	English Writing (Daily diary)					
2:30-3:10pm	English Vocabulary	Math	English Reading	OLSAT	Field trip (indoor) or learning to make Chinese food	
3:10-3:20pm	Snack					
3:20-4:00pm	English Vocabulary	Math	English Reading	OLSAT		
4:00-4:50pm	Story telling, board game...					
4:50—6:00pm	Free Play, Watch Chinese Movie...					

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2:00 – 5:00pm	Drum/Chess/Dance/Arts/Kung Fu/Science				
5:00 – 6:00pm	Free Play, Watch Chinese Movie...				

Lunch: Please bring your own lunch. We will provide a microwave if needed.

Snacks and Drinks: provided by the camp.

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