

# NEWSLETTER

Yantai Huasheng International School

May 19, 2022

## SCHOOL-WIDE NEWS

### INTERNATIONAL DAY

International Day is our annual tradition of celebrating our diversity and learning about countries at YHIS. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, International Day for 2021-2022 will be a private event held during the school day with students and staff only. International Day is Friday, May 27, 2022.

The program will begin at 1:30 pm with preparation time, followed by a flag parade. This year's flag parade is modeled after our sister school, the International School of Wuxi's March 2022 International Day celebrations. Click on this [link](#) to view the video. Like in previous years, a student representative from each home country, class, and advisory group will be selected by their teachers to be flag bearers. After the last flag-bearer enters the parade, all students will take turns to join in the walk around campus.

The secondary advisory students and teachers are organizing various activities in the courtyard for all students to enjoy. There will also be a hotdog bun station for all students and staff to enjoy. This is a free event, and students are not required to purchase any item.

In addition, as the Dragon Boat Festival is around the corner, the Chinese Language teachers have organized the annual Boat Race for ECC and elementary students during the International Day program.

To end of the celebration, all students will be given a scoop of ice cream. Secondary students will also participate in a World Cup organized by the Athletics Department.

	ECC	G1	G2	G3	G4	G5	MS Activity Booths <sup>#</sup>	HS Activity Booths <sup>#</sup>	Parent Country Booths (TBC)		
Location	Classroom	Classroom	Classroom	Classroom	Classroom	Classroom	Courtyard /Cafe	Courtyard /Cafe	Courtyard /Cafe		
Alternative Location	Classroom	Classroom	Classroom	Classroom	Classroom	Classroom	Café/ 1st Floor	Café/ 1st Floor	Café/ 1st Floor		
1:30	Preparation										
1:45	Flag Parade/ Opening Ceremony										
2:00	Visit Secondary Booths & Hotdog			Boat Race	Preparation	Preparation	Booths & Hotdogs 2:00-3:20 3:20-3:30 Transition Time				
2:15				Preparation	Boat Race	Boat Race					
2:30				Visit Secondary Booths & Hotdog 2:30-3:20							
2:45										Boat Race	Booths
3:00	Preparation	Boat Race	Preparation								
3:15		Preparation	Boat Race								
3:30	G3	G4	G5				Soccer World Cup & Ice-cream Large Field				
3:45				ECC	G1	G2					
4:00	Ice-cream (Classrooms)										
4:15	Clean-up										

	Class Country Presentation. For example, G3 will visit ECC classrooms.
	Visit Secondary Booths
	Boat Race

## SPRING CONCERT

The Spring Concert will be held online this year. Students have been preparing music all semester, and we are recording the performance videos this week! The recorded concert will be livestreamed at 6:30 pm on Thursday, May 26 at this [LINK](#).

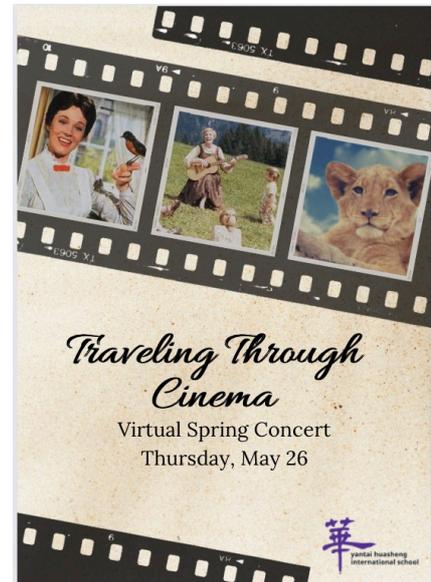
### ECC and Elementary

ECC and elementary students recorded their performances on May 18 and 19.

### Secondary

High School Bands and High School Choir will make their recordings on **Friday, May 20** during regular class time.

Please email Ms. Lexi Forstrom with any questions at [lexi.forstrom@yhischina.com](mailto:lexi.forstrom@yhischina.com).



## HSK UPDATES

We would like to provide you with updates on HSK test dates and levels that the school will offer in the remaining of the 2022 year. Level 4, which is taken most frequently, will be offered every month while level 5 and 6 will be offered every two months and level 1, 2, and 3 offered every three months.

At present, the testing capacity is 15 students per session, but the school is planning to increase the capacity to ensure that more students will be able to test in the future. HSK test is open to anyone. They can register and make their payment through the official HSK website. The registration for the June 12 test opens at 4:30 pm on Monday, May 23 and ends at 4:30 pm on Thursday, June 2. As soon as the capacity is reached, the registration will end. The HSK tests will be administered on school computers.

HSK Testing Dates	Test Level Morning: 2, 4, 6 / Afternoon: 1, 3, 5
Sunday, June 12	3, 4, 5
Saturday, July 16	1, 4, 6
Sunday, August 21	2, 4, 5
Saturday, September 17	3, 4, 6
Sunday, October 16	1, 4, 5
Saturday, November 19	2, 4, 6
Sunday, December 4	3, 4, 5

## YHIS SUMMER CAMP

The camp will start on June 15 – June 24 (weekday's only) and will be available to ECC - HS students. Our foreign and national staff will lead the camp which will be based on different themes depending on the age group of the students. Students will be grouped into ECC, Lower Elementary, Upper Elementary, Middle School and High School.

Thank you for your questions and feedback about the summer camp. The summer camp is designed to provide a wide range of activities focusing on reading, writing, math, STEM, art, music, etc. In so doing, we hope to provide experiential learning activities and a chance for students to explore a wide range of interests. After re-evaluating the operational cost for the camp, the school is adjusting the camp fee from 3,500 RMB to 2,000 RMB. We desire to provide a high-quality program at an affordable rate for our families. The camp fee excludes bussing and lunch. The camp registration ([LINK](#)) deadline is Friday, May 27, and the payment should be made by Friday, June 3.

For those who have already made payment, there are two options available:

1. Reimbursement to your bank account
2. Transferring money to your child's lunch card

Please email the camp coordinator ([ryan.hinnings@yhischina.com](mailto:ryan.hinnings@yhischina.com)) with your preferred option.

The typical summer camp day will be from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. The school will continue to provide bussing to and from school at an additional 280 RMB, and lunch will be provided at the school cafeteria at the student's expense. Students will not be required to wear school uniform to summer camp.

Please refer to the schedules and staffing information of each group below and note that the schedules are subject to change. On Friday, June 24, there will be performances and displays of student work throughout the camp. More information will be shared closer to the date.

ECC	
TIME	
9:00-9:15	Morning Circle
9:15-9:50	Science
9:50-10:30	Snack & Recess
10:30-11:00	PE/Art/Music
11:00-11:30	Craft
11:30-12:10	Lunch
12:10-12:40	F&JK - Rest
	K - Free Choice
12:50-1:10	Math
1:10-1:40	Writing
1:40-2:10	Reading
2:10-2:30	Snack & Bathroom
2:30-2:55	Story Time & Coloring
2:55-3:00	Pack up

\*Ms. Christina Park, Ms. Lidia Camargo, Mrs. Shirley Hinnings, Ms. Holly Dong, Ms. Linda Wang, Ms. Sophina Zhao, Ms. Nicki Liu, Ms. Cherina Jiang

Lower Elementary	
TIME	
9:00-9:35	PE/Art/Music
9:40-10:30	Math
10:30-11:00	Recess
11:00-11:45	Writing/Social Studies
11:45-12:15	Lunch
12:15-12:45	Recess
12:50-1:30	STEM/Science
1:30-2:15	Reading
2:20-3:00	Craft/Baking/Dance

\*Ms. Esther Lee, Mrs. Brook Liu, Mr. Eugene Kim, Mr. JooEun Choi, Ms. Sheena Xiao, Ms. Marina Zhang, Ms. Emily Qiu

Middle School	
TIME	
9:00-9:40	Math
9:45-10:40	Chinese/Film
10:45-11:45	PE
11:50-12:15	Lunch
12:20-12:55	Recess
1:00-2:00	English/Baking
2:05-3:00	Music

Ms. Stephanie Carpenter, Mr. Simon Liu, Mr. Ethan Galindo, Mr. Trevor Dace, Ms. Lesley Song, Ms. Linda Yan, Ms. Arden Ning

Upper Elementary	
TIME	
9:00-10:05	Reading/Science
10:10-10:40	Morning Recess
10:45-11:45	Writing/Social Studies
11:45-12:15	Lunch
12:20-12:50	Recess
12:55-1:45	Music/Art
1:50-2:05	Break/Afternoon Snack
2:10-3:00	PE/Baking

\*Ms. Dubin Park, Mrs. Suekoilya Dace, Mr. Kihong Kim, Mr. Roy Feng, Ms. May Li, Ms. Iris Hao

YHIS & YIA High School	
TIME	
9:00-10:00	English
10:05-11:35	Math
11:40-12:25	Science
12:25-1:00	Lunch
1:05-2:00	Baking/Music
2:05-3:00	Baking/PE

\*Mr. Keith Anderson, Mr. John Jin, Mr. Holden, Mrs. Holden, Mrs. Mary Vars, Mr. Tian Niu, Ms. Sophie Zhang, Ms. Amy Liu

Click [HERE](#) to view a video highlight of last year's camp. We look forward to a fun summer camp!

## PTO APPRECIATION BRUNCH

From library work to classroom job sharing and organizing events, our parents have played a vital role in building this vibrant learning community. This year's YHIS Parent Appreciation Brunch will be on Tuesday, May 31 from 9:00 to 11:30 am at Marriott Hotel. A series of activities such as end-of-school year updates, thank you speeches, and appreciation of PTO EXCO members and grade parent representatives are planned for the brunch. The brunch will be sponsored by the school. The school would like to invite all YHIS parents to join us for a time of celebrating the school year together. In helping us better prepare for this event, please sign up for the brunch ([LINK](#)). Mark your calendar! We hope to see you there!



## COVID-19 TESTING UPDATES

Thank you for your flexibility as we constantly adapt to COVID-19 testing requirements. There have been some adjustments to the testing schedules. As of now, staff, students, and parents in the specific at-risk categories need to get tested on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays. (at least 3 times a week). Cafeteria staff, guards, and Ayi need to get tested every day.

### Travel Advisory for Parents/Household Members, Students, and Staff

1. If they leave Yantai and do not travel out of Shandong Province, they need to get tested within 48 hours after they return to Yantai and provide a negative test result to [operations@yhischina.com](mailto:operations@yhischina.com).
2. For travel to places marked with \* on Shandong Health Code out of Shandong Province, if they have a valid COVID-19 negative test result (48 hours) on the day they return to Yantai, they are to receive a test on the day they return and another one two days later. If not, they are to receive three tests (24-hour interval) from the day they return. Negative test results should be emailed to [operations@yhischina.com](mailto:operations@yhischina.com).
3. The travel requirements mentioned above apply to all students in addition to the weekly tests required by the school.
4. Staff and students whose parents/household members travel out of Yantai do not need to receive additional tests other than the weekly tests required by the school.

## ELS INFORMATIONAL PARENT MEETING

If you are the parent of ELS students, we warmly invite you to an informational parent meeting taking place at 10:00 am on Friday, May 20 at this [LINK](#). In this meeting, Mr. Kihong Kim, ELS Coordinator, will share more about the improvements to the ELS program and what your child can expect in the 2022-2023 school year as well as answer any questions you may have. We look forward to seeing you this Friday.

## UPDATED ATTENDANCE POLICY

Parents should send an email to [attendance@yhischina.com](mailto:attendance@yhischina.com) by 8:00 *am* on the day their child will be unable to attend school. The specific reason for the absence should also be given at this time. If a student is absent for a full day, the parents should take the child's temperature in the morning, mid-day, and the afternoon and inform the school of the temperatures by sending an email to [attendance@yhischina.com](mailto:attendance@yhischina.com).

If a student is absent for any day due to any reason except fever, the student is required to take a COVID-19 test the day before they return to campus. Also, on the day when students are scheduled to receive a COVID-19 test at school, if a student leaves the school without getting tested, the student is required to receive a test on their own. After your child has taken a test, we seek your assistance in informing the school nurses that your child has taken a test through [nurse@yhischina.com](mailto:nurse@yhischina.com) within the day and submitting a negative test result to the nurses' office when the result comes out.

If students have a temperature of 37.3°C or higher,

- Please keep your child at home and consult a doctor and inform the school through [attendance@yhischina.com](mailto:attendance@yhischina.com) stating your child's temperature, symptom(s), and treatment plan
- The current return-to-campus requirement for individuals who have a fever is that all household members are required to submit three negative COVID-19 tests (24-hour intervals) after they have recovered before returning to campus.

## MORNING CAMPUS ENTERING TIME

We would like to remind you that students are allowed to enter the campus from 7:50 *am* every morning. Students who arrive earlier must wait at the entrance until the door opens at 7:50 *am*.

We understand that some students need to come to school early. The school allows these students to come early and have a morning study hall in the library from 7:30 - 7:50 *am*. Ms. Anna Li, Librarian, will supervise them in the library. Considering young students' sleep hour needs, this service will apply to students in grade 3 and above. If your child(ren) needs to come to school early on a regular basis, please complete [this survey](#) by Friday, May 20.

While there is a policy on morning 7:50 arrival time, there are exceptions to this in the event of inclement weather, such as rainy and snowy days.

## TRAVEL OUTSIDE OF YANTAI

If your child or household member needs to travel outside of Yantai, please inform the school through [operations@yhischina.com](mailto:operations@yhischina.com). This information will help the school follow up with families later on if needed.

## ELEMENTARY NEWS

### DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL

Dragon Boat Festival is just around the corner! (June 3rd). To celebrate this holiday with the students, the Chinese department is planning to have a "Fun Boat Race" for ECC and elementary students during the International Day program. To make that happen, students will need to design and make their own little boat at home for the race. We hope that you could help your child(ren) make their boat and make sure they use scissors safely. Click [HERE](#) to read more details about the boat race.

## SECONDARY NEWS

### HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION

This year's High School Graduation will be held at Marriott Hotel at 1:30 pm on Thursday, June 9. The families of the seniors are invited to attend. However, due to limited seats, the seniors are allowed to invite one other guest besides their parents. In helping us better prepare for this event, please RSVP ([LINK](#)) by June 2, Thursday.

### UNIVERSITY ADMISSIONS INFORMATION SESSIONS

Below is a list of universities that are planning to host an online admissions information session in May. Interested parents are welcome to attend the sessions. Zoom links will be shared when we receive the information.

University	Date and Time	Zoom Link
Hankuk University of Foreign Studies	May 25, 1:00 pm	<a href="#">CLICK</a>
Sogang University	May 26, 1:00 pm	To be shared

## ECC/ELEMENTARY SNACK MENU

	Morning	Afternoon
<b>Monday</b>	Anhydrous cake, Apple, Dragon Fruit	Butter Cookie, Mango, Cherry Tomato
<b>Tuesday</b>	Sponge Cake, Grape, Orange	Vegetable Cookie, Milk, Apple
<b>Wednesday</b>	Chocolate Cake, Orange, Melon	Chocolate Cookies, Banana, Pear
<b>Thursday</b>	Toast with Jam, Melon, Dragon Fruit	Animal Shape Cookies, Apple, Pear
<b>Friday</b>	Egg Pie, Grape, Cerry Tomato	Egg Pie, Yogurt, Cherry Tomato

## LUNCH MENU

		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>1</b> Choose one	<b>Chinese</b>	Saliva Chicken	Meat Ball with Soy Sauce	Stewed Shrimp with Radish	Pork and Cabbage Dumplings	Stewed Pork Spine with Yam
	<b>Western</b>	Pasta with Chopped Chicken	Beef Burger**	BBQ Roasted Chicken Drumsticks	Irish Beef Stew	Spaghetti
	<b>Korean</b>	Korean BBQ	Korean Sweet and Sour Pork	Korean Beef Rice Ball	Stir-fried Plum Pork	Korean Beef with Mushroom
<b>2</b> Choose one	<b>Meat 1</b>	Stir-fried Pork with Eggs and Zucchini	Braised Pork with Potatoes	Cumin Meat	Coke Chicken Wing Root	Chicken Curry
	<b>Meat 2</b>	Stir-fried Pork with Kimchi	Korean Style Sauced Pork Chop	Roasted Chicken Thigh	Korean dry boiled chicken	Roasted Pork Slices
<b>3</b> Choose two	<b>Vegetable 1</b>	Bean Sprouts in Vinegar	Dried Tofu with Celery	Stir-fried Bok Choy with Mushrooms	Smashed Tofu with Vegetables	Stir-fried Noodles with Cabbage
	<b>Vegetable 2</b>	Fried Fish Cakes with Vegetables	French Fries	Sesame Soybean Sprouts	Stir-fried Vegetables with Ham	Korean Style Braised Tofu
	<b>Vegetable 3</b>	Baked Pumpkin with Dates	Stir-fried Broccoli	Stir-fried Zucchini and Carrot	Stir-fried Cabbage	Potato Wedges
<b>4</b> Choose one	<b>Soup 1</b>	Mixed Nuts Congee *	Millet Porridge *	Egg Seaweed Soup ^	Corn Porridge *	Black Rice Porridge
	<b>Soup 2</b>	Fresh Vegetable Soup	Pumpkin Cream Soup &	Bean Sprout Soup	Kimchi soup	Beef Seaweed Soup
<b>5</b>	<b>Fruits</b>	3 Seasonal Fruits				
	<b>Grain/ Appetizer</b>	Black Rice, Steamed Buns *	Millet Rice, Steamed Buns *	Oats Rice, Steamed Buns *	Black Rice, Steamed Buns *	Rice, Steamed Buns *
<b>Dessert (Western/Korean)</b>		Marble Cake ^	Muffin Cake ^	Roll Cake ^	Chive Pork Floss Roll ^	Mini Egg Tart^

**Allergies:**

\*Wheat

#Seafood

&Dairy

^Eggs

@Nuts

\*\*Set menu comes with choice of two vegetables, cake, soup, and fruits. Extra meat dish at 6RMB for one portion.