



愛城華人宣道會主辦

## 愛城宣道學校

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## Words from the Principal

Dear Parents and Guardians:

The two-month summer vacation has passed by so quickly. We extend a warm welcome to all the returning students and a special welcome to the new students. We wish you all have an amazing learning experience as we begin a new school year at the Edmonton Alliance Chinese School.

The goal of the Edmonton Alliance Chinese School is to promote the learning of the Chinese language and Chinese culture. We understand the difficulty our children have in learning Chinese so we will do our best to make the teaching format more interesting and the lessons more practical for daily use. We all know that the learning process requires hard work as the saying goes, "No pain, No gain." We challenge each of our students do his/her best and keep trying. As people of Chinese ethnicity, let's treasure this opportunity in learning more about our own language and culture.

To encourage students, the school is adding four scholarships to the 2014-2015 "Excellence Award". For students who have scored a yearly average of 90 or above, have no more than 3 times each in absences, late or early dismissal, and have excellent behaviour (level A), they will receive a scholarship of \$180 tuition fee for the 2016 school year. So students, go for it!

The Chinese School also values cooperation with the parents. If you have any ideas or comments with regard to the curriculum or the process, please do not hesitate to contact any of the teachers or the Principal. Together, we can provide a better learning environment for the students.

The Chinese School will be holding many celebration events. Our first is the Mid-Autumn Festival Carnival and School Opening celebration on *September 6*. We will have activities like the lantern riddles, lantern making, cake making, balloons and games etc. that are suitable for all ages. There's also the presentation and tasting of seasonal food. All of you are welcome! We also want to use this opportunity to get to know the community better so this event is open to the public. We are looking forward to seeing you all! More events are to be announced at a later date.

As we begin this new school year, we wish you all to have good health and the wisdom from our Lord! And may we work together in giving our students a pleasant and rewarding journey of learning!

Principal Jenny Lee

September 6, 2014

1. There are many important dates listed in your school handbook calendar. Please remember to check for upcoming holidays, special events, or timetable changes.
2. Parents, please pay attention to the following:
  - 1) The Cantonese classes start at 9:15 AM, the Mandarin classes start at 9:30 AM, and the K1-K2 classes (Cantonese and Mandarin) start at 10:00 AM. All classes finish at 12:00 Noon. *Please be on time!*
  - 2) The school doors open at 9:00 AM, and close at 12:15 PM. Parents, please be sure to drop off and pick up your children within this timeframe. This is for the safety of the students.
  - 3) Parents, when you drop off your children, please wait till your children have entered the building before you leave. Please do not double-park and be careful of other students crossing the road. If you have preschool children, please wait for your children outside the class room at school end time (12:00).
  - 4) Remember to outfit your children with basic school supplies (pens/pencils, erasers, ruler, glue, coloring pens etc.). For preschoolers, please provide a spare set of clothes in the backpack just in case there is a need to change.
  - 5) If your children would like to have snacks for break time, please remind them to respect the cleanliness of the building and keep them from bringing messy snacks such as crispy chips.
  - 6) If your child loses his or her school handbooks/exercise books, replacement copies must be purchased at the office.
  - 7) Students should not return to school on holidays. The school cannot be responsible for their safety.
3. For the safety of the students, parents, please fill out the Student's Health and Contact Information sheet. Also please fill out the Student Works/Photos Consent Form to enable the school publish related student works and photos. Please return both forms to the school promptly.
4. The school makes promoting the Chinese culture as one of the major education objectives and builds into the curriculum various Chinese cultural activity blocks. Students are grouped and fit into the activity blocks according to their preference as much as possible. This approach is well received by students and parents. For the new school year, there will be four periods of cultural activities and each period lasts for three weeks. The scope of the activities includes: Chinese Calligraphy, Beginner Level Chinese Painting, Chinese Chess, Chinese Snacks, Traditional Chinese Games, Chinese Handcrafts and a new activity - Chinese Idiom and Poems. Except for Calligraphy which is mandatory, students can choose their preferences. Please fill in the Preference form below and return it to the teacher by September 20th.
5. September 6<sup>th</sup> is Mid-autumn Festival, students and their family are welcome.
6. October 11<sup>th</sup> is Thanksgiving weekend; there is no school.
7. Our new website is up and running, and will be updated with monthly news and calendar events. Please visit us at [www.eacs.yolasite.com](http://www.eacs.yolasite.com) or [ecac.ca/Chinese school](http://ecac.ca/Chinese%20school)

## Student Health/Contact Information Sheet

Is there anything that we need to be aware of? Any allergy e.g. asthma?

Allergy : Yes  No  Please describe : \_\_\_\_\_

Other health issues that the school needs to know, please describe : \_\_\_\_\_

Who usually drop-off and pick-up the student?

1. Name : \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship : \_\_\_\_\_

2. Name : \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship : \_\_\_\_\_

Who can we contact in emergency?

1. Name : \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ cell: \_\_\_\_\_

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E-mail : \_\_\_\_\_

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## Student Works/Photos Consent Form

For the school year 2014-2015, the school may publish the student's activity photos and various work pieces inside the school, at the school website or in the newspaper. We require the permission of the parents/guardians to do so. Please indicate your consent below.

I/We acknowledge the need for Edmonton Alliance Chinese School to publish my/our child's work and activity photos and **Agree / Disagree** Edmonton Alliance Chinese School publish my child's work or activity photos.

Name of student : \_\_\_\_\_ Class : \_\_\_\_\_

Name of parent : \_\_\_\_\_ Signature : \_\_\_\_\_

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## Chinese Cultural Activity Preference Form

For all students from K3 and Grades 1 to 6, please indicate your preference by entering numbers 1, 2, 3 on the activity of your choice.

中國書法 Chinese Calligraphy	中國棋藝 Chinese Chess	中國手工 Chinese Crafts	中國遊戲 Chinese Games	中國小食 Chinese Snacks	國畫 Chinese Painting	中國成語及詩詞 Chinese idiom & poems
必定參加 Mandatory						

Name of student : \_\_\_\_\_ Class : \_\_\_\_\_

Is the parent interested to help in the cultural activity (11:25am-12:00noon)? Yes / No

If "Yes", which activity would you like to help : \_\_\_\_\_

Name of parent : \_\_\_\_\_ Contact number : \_\_\_\_\_

Please return the form to the teacher by September 20th