

# NEWSLETTER

Thursday, December 17, 2020

## CHRISTMAS VACATION & TRVLE PLAN

Christmas Vacation begins Dec. 21 and runs until Jan. 1. We wish you a merry Christmas and a happy new year! See you back at school on Monday, Jan. 4, 2020!

Due to the COVID 19, we advise you not to travel during the holiday. If you plan travel outside of Yantai, please report your destination and travel dates to Ms. Zheng at sophia.zheng@yia-

china.com. This information will help us follow up with you should medium or high-risk areas change in the coming month. Please avoid the affected areas and remember to wear a protective mask when travelling.

If a student experiences COVID-related symptoms during the holiday, please report the symptoms and care received to sophia.zheng@yia-china.com. Quarantine at home or at a local hospital for 14 days and complete a COVID test. Once you can report negative test results to the school office, your child may return to school.

Students only need to complete a new COVID test after travelling if they experience COVID symptoms or if they travel to a medium- or high-risk area. We will keep you updated if we receive any changes to this procedure from the local government.



## SAFETY COMES FIRST

To ensure students' safety in school, school will do random check of students' lockers and bags to make sure no dangerous items like medicines and knives etc are brought in school. Students should follow the cell phone policies and hand in phones to their advisory teachers accordingly. If students have any medicine, they should inform their advisory teaches and school nurse, and take the medicine at nurse's office. Details please refer to the parents and students handbook. (Click [here](#) to view the handbook).

## YIA&YHIS CHRISTMAS CONCERT

We are pleased to announce the 2020 All-School

Christmas Concert on Dec. 18, 2020! The concert will be held in the large auditorium from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm.

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The concert will be a great way to spread the Holiday Spirit in our school while showing the great talent of our students! The concert this year is titled "Christmas Joy!". We are full of joy as we have more students and staff returning to Yantai after a hard year. Please join us in this celebration!



High School Choir, and High School Band will be participating in the performance. Attendance is mandatory for all of these students. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Frostrom at [lexi.forstrom@yhischina.com](mailto:lexi.forstrom@yhischina.com).

## SEMESTER 2 ELECTIVES & CLUB SURVEY

All students will be sent an email by the end of this week that directs them to complete a Microsoft Forms survey. These surveys allow students the option to switch clubs or electives in Semester 2. Not all clubs or electives are available to be switched into or out of, but students will find this information on the survey. The deadline for completion is Dec. 23. If you have further questions, please contact your National Advisory teachers.

## FREE GCU COLLEGE COURSE FOR SENIORS

Grand Canyon University (GCU), iSC-partnered university, is offering our Senior students a free 4-credit dual enrollment course. Dual enrollment courses can help students graduate from college in fewer than four years. The online, seven-week courses will begin in January and February with flexible start dates. Please contact Ms. Zhang at [yolanda.zhang@yia-china.com](mailto:yolanda.zhang@yia-china.com) if your child is interested in enrolling in a course.

## HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL SEASON BEGINS

The basketball season will begin on Thursday, Dec. 10. High school boys basketball team will have practices on Mondays and Thursdays. The girls basketball practice will begin when a coach is determined.

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## CAFÉ POLICY FOR STUDENTS

We would like to inform you of Cafe Policy for Students. Please note the policy below.

- Menu choices are not open to students in 11th grade and below.
- Menu choices are open to 12th graders (limited to one cup per day).
- 12th graders can place an order by sending an email to [thesharkstop@yhischina.com](mailto:thesharkstop@yhischina.com) before 9:00 am or in-person (non-class contact time) during café opening hours.
- Snacks and beverages in the cooler are for sale only to secondary students.

## TARDY SLIP POLICY

YIA has been using tardy slips since last year, and we would like to remind you about the policy. For students who arrive at school after 8:00 am the tardy slip will be given by the teacher. The list below will be used to identify if it is an excused or unexcused tardy.

TARDY SLIP	
Student _____	Grade _____
Date(s) _____	Time _____
Reason _____	
_____	
_____	
<input type="checkbox"/> Excused	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Unexcused	Signature _____

Examples of Excused Absences:	Unexcused Absences:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Medical reasons</li><li>• Unpredictable traffic conditions/bad weather</li><li>• Medical/Dental appointments (we highly encourage students to make these appointments outside of school hours.)</li><li>• Required government appointments</li><li>• Serious family emergency i.e. funeral</li><li>• Special requests from parents (pre-arranged with the principal)</li><li>• Family vacation/sporting events</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Oversleeping/alarm failure</li><li>• Missing the bus/ride</li><li>• Needing sleep or rest</li><li>• Personal grooming appointments</li><li>• Going shopping/ running errands</li><li>• Family vacations that have not been pre-approved</li></ul>

## NEW KOREAN CHEF INTRODUCED

As part of continuous improvement for school lunches, we are pleased to announce that Mr. Jiang, a Korean food chef, has joined the DongTai food services team. Mr. Jiang is a Yantai native and brings with him more than 13 years of experience working at various restaurants and hotels. Prior to taking

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up this role, he worked at a hotel in Jeju island as a kitchen staff from 2017–2020. During his three years in Korea, he had opportunities to prepare food for large groups of students who stayed at the hotel. He is willing to listen to feedback and learn to improve food quality and is looking forward to serving our school. Please join us in welcoming Mr. Jiang to YIA.

## LIBRARY VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES STUDENTS

For some High School students who have study hall sessions within their class schedule of the week and seek volunteer opportunities, there is a volunteer opportunity at the library according to the student's availability! The potential tasks that will be given are: organizing books, dusting the shelf, labeling the book, and decorating the library. Each participant, he/she will record the task and amount of committed service hours every time after the volunteer work on the Service Hour Log at the library. Please contact the School Librarian, Miss Anna Li (Anna.Li@yhischina.com), for registrations or inquiries!

## SCHOOL CALENDAR

- December 18 – Christmas Concert

## LUNCH MENU

### CHINESE LUNCH MENU

Menu	Monday January 4	Tuesday January 5	Wednesday January 6	Thursday January 7	Friday January 8
Grains	Steamed Rice, Steamed Buns	Steamed Rice, Steamed Buns	Steamed Rice, Steamed Buns	Steamed Rice, Steamed Buns	Steamed Rice, Steamed Buns
Protein Food	Steamed Chicken with Chili Sauce, Fried Shredded Kelp with Minced Meat, Roasted Chicken Wing	Fried Pork with Scrambled Eggs and Fungus, Stewed Beef with Tomato	Braised Pork with Potato, Braised Meat Ball	Stewed Pork Spine with Kelp, Fried Fish Stick	Handmade Dumplings, Double Cooked Pork Slices

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Vegetables	Stir-fried Tomato With Eggs	Pepper Boy Choy, Steamed Eggplant in Brown Sauce	Fried Egg with Leek, Stir-fried Cabbages	Fried crowndaisy chrysanthemum with Tofu, Fried Lotus Root Slices with Green Fungus and Pepper	Fried Cabbage
Soup	Rice and Peanut Porridge	Noodle Slice Soup	Millet Congee	Seaweed and Egg Soup	Mixed congee
Allergens	Egg, Wheat, Peanut	Egg, Wheat	Egg, Wheat	Wheat, Seafood, Egg	Egg, Wheat

## KOREAN LUNCH MENU

Menu	Monday January 4	Tuesday January 5	Wednesday January 6	Thursday January 7	Friday January 8
Grains	Steamed Rice	Steamed Rice	Beef Bibimbap (Optional: <i>Gochujang sauce</i> )	Korean Street Toast	Kimchi Chicken Fried Rice Burrito
Protein Food	Quail Eggs in Sweet Sauce Crispy Boneless Chicken	Korean Curry Chicken Fried Fish Cake		Sausage in Tomato Sauce	Korean Meat Dumplings
Vegetables	Spinach with Garlic Korean Beansprout with Garlic	Eggplant Zucchini	Kimchi with Onion	Spinach with Garlic, Stir-fried Mushrooms	Beansprout with Sesame
Others	Beef Kelp Soup	Bean Sprout Soup Dessert	Fish Cake Soup	Kimchi Tuna Soup	Fisk Cake Soup
Allergens	Egg, Peanut, Wheat	Egg, Soy, Wheat	Egg, Wheat	Wheat, seafood	Wheat, seafood

## WESTERN LUNCH MENU

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Grains	Tomato Pasta	Bacon Ham Pizza, Plain Pizza,	Polish Fried Rice with Beef,	Macaroni with Black Pepper, Muffin	Baked rice with ham and vegetables
Protein Food	BBQ Grilled Chicken		Braised Beef with black Sauce	Fried Fish with Orange Sauce	Deep Fried Chicken
Vegetables	Buttered Cauliflower	Stir-fried Broccoli with black pepper	Lyonnais Potatoes	Stir-fried Broccoli with Butter	Grilled Vegetables, Baked Tomato
	Baked Carrot	French Fries			
Soup/Others	Creamy Carrot Soup	Creamy Pumpkin Soup	Creamy Broccoli Soup  European-style cake	Italian Vegetable Soup	Creamy Organic Broccoli Soup
Allergens	Milk, Wheat	Milk	Egg, Milk	Egg, Wheat	Milk