

## SchoolWide News

### Letter from Mr. Miller on Christmas Market Schedule Adjustment

We want to share an important update regarding the Christmas Market schedule.

The Chinese central government has designated December 13 as Nanjing Massacre National Memorial Day, a day of solemn remembrance. As we honor the significance of this day for many in our community, the school has decided to adjust the date of the Christmas Market to ensure our activities are respectful and aligned with the spirit of the day.

**The Christmas Market will now take place on Friday, December 12, from 3:00–5:30 pm.** To support this change, the school schedule on that day will be adjusted as follows:

- **ECC & Elementary** will dismiss at 2:45 pm to board their buses.
  - Students who plan to stay for the Christmas Market must be picked up by a parent before 2:55 pm.
  - A brief survey will be sent to families to confirm whether your child will stay.
- **Middle School** will dismiss at the regular time and wait in a supervised area until buses depart as usual. MS students may stay if their parents are staying.
- **High School** will dismiss at 3:00 pm.

Thank you for your understanding and partnership as we make this adjustment with sensitivity and care for our wider community. We look forward to welcoming you to a joyful and meaningful Christmas Market experience on December 12.

## PTO Christmas Market

The Christmas Market is a festive gathering where our community comes together to share warmth and joy. Our PTO is working hard on the event for the whole school community. We welcome you to invite friends and family to join in the celebration.

Booth registration will end on Friday, December 5 [Click [HERE](#) to register]. Booth registrants can come as early as 1:30 pm to set up and decorate their booth. Booth fees will be collected at the market, and booth locations, which will be assigned randomly, can be checked in the lobby on the day of the event.

Experience the Joy of Giving with Our Charity Raffle Draw! Enter your chance to win incredible prizes. Each scratch ticket is just 20 RMB, and with a 100% winning rate, you're guaranteed a prize for every ticket purchased. In addition, there are three special draws you can enter by purchasing more tickets:

- 1) **Buy 5-9 tickets:** Enter to win a prize from the following options:
  - 10 Xiaomi Electric Toothbrushes (limit: one per winner)
  - Five 5-hour Koru Tennis/Pickleball Court Use Passes (limit: one per winner)
  - Three 10-hour Koru Tennis/Pickleball Court Use Passes (limit: one per winner)
  - 2 ShengXi Taekwondo 400 RMB Discount Vouchers (limit: one per winner)
  - 1 Premium Children's Studio Photography Package
  - 1 XinHe Massage Club Tibetan Whole Body Massage
  - 50 FeiOu Outdoor Club Sailing Experience Vouchers (limit: five per winner)
  - 50 FeiOu Outdoor Club Paddleboarding Experience Vouchers (limit: five per winners)
  - Hotel Breakfast, Cake, Restaurant Set Menu Vouchers (limit: varies)
- 2) **Buy 10-14 tickets:** Enter to win a prize from the following options:
  - 2 Huawei Bluetooth Earbuds (limit: one per winner)
  - 3 Galaxy Fit (limit: one per winner)
  - Hotel Dinner Vouchers (limit: two vouchers per winner)
  - Several Hotel Stay Vouchers (limit: one voucher per winner)
  - Two 5-hour Koru Tennis Private Lesson Passes (limit: one per winner)
  - One 12-hour Chinese GongFu Lesson Pass
  - 1 XinHe Massage Club Aromatherapy Plant Oil Massage
- 3) **Buy 15 tickets:** Enter for a chance to win **one of these premium prizes:**
  - 1 Roborock Robot Vacuum Cleaner
  - 1 iPad 11
  - 1 Cuckoo rice maker
  - 1 Inbody Body Composition Analyzer Scale
  - 15 ShuGuang SoGood Aesthetics – 7 Premium Treatments (Valued at 15,000 RMB)
  - 1 French Dry White Wine

If you purchase **10-14 tickets** or **15 tickets**, you will also be entered into the lower draw(s), increasing your chances of winning! Don't miss out on the opportunity to win big while supporting a great cause. Tickets are limited and available for purchase on-site.

There will be opportunities for students to perform in the school lobby area during the Christmas market to share the love and meaning of the Christmas season with you. Please come, enjoy, and be a part of this extraordinary YHIS&YIA holiday shopping experience!

## Fall Drama Production

The drama department will present the play, *Order Up!*, this Friday, December 5, at 7:00 pm in the 4th floor auditorium. Order Up! is the newest restaurant in town and is attracting some very interesting customers. Find out what everyone is talking about this Friday. The performance is free!

## Christmas Concert

As we prepare for our upcoming Christmas Concert on December 12th, I'd like to share an important reminder for our middle school and high school musicians. All students enrolled in a music class (band or choir) will follow a special dress code for the performance.

Please help your child prepare the following clothes for the concert.

You can also refer to the attached pictures for visual examples.

Girls:

Black pants or skirt. Pants should be formal. Skirts should be accompanied with black leggings (to accommodate the stage angle).

White formal shirt. Shirt should be plain white. It should not have any words or logo. The shirt should not be a sport shirt.

A red scarf or red muffler.

Shoes should be black and formal. No sport shoes.

Boys:

Black pants. Pants should be formal (no sport pants).

White formal shirt. The shirt should not have any words or logos. The shirt should have a collar.

A red tie. The tie should be a solid red color.

Shoes should be black and formal. No sport shoes.

If you cannot get the materials in time, or if you have questions, please contact Ms. Forstrom or Ms. Figueroa!



## YIA StuCo Hoodie

Since many students and teachers liked the hoodies ordered by the YIA StuCo in 2025, including some teachers who missed the initial order, the students have decided to organize another round of purchases. If you are interested, you can place a reorder by emailing Hugi 【 [hugi.gao@students.yia-china.com](mailto:hugi.gao@students.yia-china.com) 】 directly. The price is 238 yuan per hoodie, and size references are available.



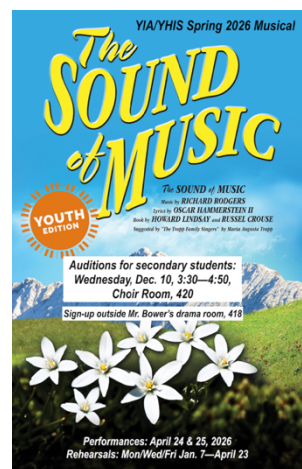
码数	衣长	胸围	肩宽	袖长	身高 (cm)	体重 (kg)
S	66	124	65	53.5	160-170	45-55
M	68	128	67	54.5	170-175	55-65
L	70	132	69	55.5	175-180	65-75
XL	72	136	71	56.5	180-186	75-85
2XL	74	140	73	57.5	186-199	85-99

## Spring Musical Auditions

Secondary drama teacher, Mr. Bower, announced the YIA/YHIS spring musical this week—*The Sound of Music*! This is one of the most popular musicals worldwide and we look forward to seeing our wonderful students on stage as they tell the amazing story of the Von Trapp family singers and their escape from Nazi-occupied Austria at the outbreak of World War II.

**Auditions:** December 10 after school (sign up in the drama classroom)

**Performances:** April 24 & 25, 2026



## TEDx March 2026

Our school is proud to host **TEDxYantai Huasheng Intl School** in the spring semester. The tentative date for the event is March 28th.

YHIS is looking for some **student speakers** to give presentations at the event. Giving a TED Talk would be a wonderful chance for students to develop speaking skills, share thoughts with our school body, and challenge intellectual thinking. What a great opportunity!

We plan to include 5 secondary student speakers at the event. Students will come up with their own topic and speech according to one of the following categories: Art, Business, Design, Education, Entertainment, Health, Humanities, Life, Public Issues, Science and Math, Social Science, or Tech.

Students may apply to be a speaker at the event by filling out the form that was sent to secondary students' email account this week. Applications will include a description of the speech along with a short video introduction. A panel of teachers will select the top 5 students to participate in the TEDx event. All applications are due on January 13th.

Questions can be directed to [lexi.forstrom@yhischina.com](mailto:lexi.forstrom@yhischina.com)

## Lunch Menu

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Korean	Multigrain Rice*, Soybean Paste Soup*#, Braised Pork Ribs*, Egg Rolls ^, Grilled Chicken Salad #*	Multigrain Rice*, Miso Soup*#, Stir-fried Pork*, Steamed Egg**, Seasoned Bean Sprouts*, Tornado Potatoes**&	Shrimp Fried Rice#^*, Egg Soup^*#, Hamburg Steak*&^, Stir-fried mushroom- with perilla oil #* Cobb salad with- wrench sauce &^	Multigrain Rice*, Bean Sprout Soup*#, Korean Braised Chicken*, Stir-fried Sausages and Vegetables*, Potato Salad^	Stir-fried Beef Rice*, Udon*#&^, Sweet and Sour Fried Chicken**, Stir-fried Broccoli*, Salad with Cherry Tomatoes
Chinese/ Western	Multigrain Rice, Millet Congee, Braised Beef with Radish and Carrot*, Black Pepper Pork Chop** Stir-fried Broccoli Steamed Egg^*,	Multigrain Rice; Cornmeal Porridge, Stewed Ribs with Yam*; Mexican Chicken Wrap**&, Stir-fried Potato, Green Pepper and Eggplant** Stewed Starch Noodles with Chinese Cabbage*	Multigrain Rice, Cornmeal Porridge, Fried Chicken Cutlet* Braised Pork with Mushroom*, Stir-fried Zucchini with Carrot* Stir-fried Shredded Potatoes*,	Multigrain Rice, Rice Porridge, Roasted Pork Neck* Stir-fried Shrimp with Celery**, Scrambled Eggs and Tomato* Stir-fried Choy Sum with Mushroom*	Multigrain Rice, Seaweed and Egg Soup**, Braised Pork with Quail Eggs**, Ham and Bacon Sandwich*& Stir-fried Broccoli and Cauliflower* Minced Garlic Bok Choy*
Fruit	Seasonal Fruits				

### Allergies:

\*Wheat

#Seafood

&Dairy

^Eggs

@Nuts

\*If a salad is served with a specific dressing, the allergens are listed on the menu. However, for the salad with optional dressings, the allergens are not listed.