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SPRING OUTING

We will arrange YIA spring outing from May 24th to 26th! At that time, we will lead all students to Qufu for a three-day spring outing, to appreciate the beautiful spring scenery, learn the Six Arts of Confucius, and enjoy a strong teacher-student relationship and classmate relationship. Wishing the children a pleasant spring outing!

INTRODUCING LIFEPLUS®

Since we first welcomed students to YIA in 2019, we have been a part of the International Schools Consortium (ISC) family of schools. This year, ISC and its parent company Leadership Development International (LDi) have merged to become LifePlus—one name for the same company.

LifePlus...
Worldwide
learning

While you'll see some visual changes, the heart of who we are as an organization remains unchanged. We are still deeply committed to providing world-class education to students as we strive to see world-class leaders raised up in every vocation.

LifePlus is accredited by Cognia, a world-renowned educational body that recognizes the incredibly high standards of our work and continues to evaluate our performance—raising us higher, taking our students further. Through our association with LifePlus, YIA is able to participate in various system-wide events, as well as provide our students and staff with global opportunities to flourish.

We look forward to providing the same excellent educational services to your family under the LifePlus name. While you'll see a small LifePlus endorsement under our logo, our name, identity, and vision all remain the same. You will be hearing more about LifePlus in the days and months to come. Please take a look around our corporate website (lifeplusworldwide.com) to get to know a little more about us, and feel free to reach out to national staff with any questions you may have.



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MAY 13 SATURDAY SCHEDULE

May 13th, Saturday is School Day, and students are required to attend on time at 8:45am.

In the morning, it is College Fair. All students are required to complete the university research task list according to the requirements. We invite you to collaborate with your children to participate together. After the university exhibition, you can dine on campus or take your child out for a meal. If you are dining out, please take your child back to school before 12 noon to prepare for the International Day event in the afternoon. Please refer to the schedule below.

Time	Program	Venue
8:45–9:00	Students & Parents Check in	1F – front desk
9:00–9:10	Opening Ceremony	4F – auditorium
9:10	College Fair Starts	4F – auditorium Room 409, 411, 412 for virtual fairs
10:00–10:30	Workshop 1: Alumni Panel Discussion	Room 412
10:40–11:10	Workshop 2: UK & US Undergraduate Education	Room 410
11:20–11:50	Workshop 3: Trends & Changes after COVID-19	Room 412
12:00	College Fair Ends	

The International Day event in the afternoon will start at 13:30 with a flag parade. 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. YHIS ECC and Grades 1–5 are preparing for performances. The YIA and YHIS secondary advisory students and teachers are organizing various activities in the courtyard for all students to enjoy. There will also be hotdog



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bun and finger foods stations for all students and staff to enjoy. To end of the celebration, all students will be given an ice cream. Please refer to the schedule below.

Time	Arrangement
1:30–1:45	Flag Parade
1:45–1:50	Band Performance
1:50–1:55	ECC Performance
1:55–2:25	Enjoy Food Festival
2:25–3:05	Run Booth Activities
3:05–3:30	Enjoy Performances
3:30–3:35	Staff Performances
3:35–3:50	Ice-Cream
3:50–4:05	Clean-up
4:20	School Ends



SPRING CONCERT

High school music students will perform their spring concert on Thursday, May 18th. The students have been working hard to learn challenging music, and are excited to share with our school community! We hope many parents, staff and classmates can attend.

The concert will take place directly at 3:45pm–5:00pm. There will be a short reception and art show after the concert in the theater lobby.



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Performing students should bring these clothes to school that day:

- Boys: black shoes, black suit (pants/jacket), white shirt
- Girls: black shoes, school dress

Please contact lexi.forstrom@yhischina.com with any questions.

RECOGNIZING ISC 9 QUALITIES FOR LIFE

Teaching students about the iSC 9 Qualities for Life is an integral part of the character education and development program at YIA. Each month, YIA teaches about a single characteristic, and we award students from all grade levels who have demonstrated that characteristic the most. Teachers observe the students throughout the month and nominate winners.



HUMILITY

For the month of April, our focus was on “Humility”. Only by possessing humility can one know one's own shortcomings, appreciate the strengths and weaknesses of others, and continuously improve and achieve the ultimate good. We would like to congratulate and commend the following students for being humble, enthusiastic, studious, and good at asking questions. They often humbly seek advice from teachers and classmates on questions they do not understand, which reflects the essence of "humility" and sets an example for their classmates.



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Monthly Star Candidates:

- Judy Wang
- Sylvia Chen
- Rayah Tai
- Icey Sha

Monthly Star of Humility:

- Icey Sha

OBIDO READING CLUB

The Obido Reading Club is a program designed to provide families in China with easier access to a wide selection of English, Chinese, and bilingual books. More than 3,000 books for readers of all ages are available for sale. You can scan the QR code in the poster to order online. Payment can be made by WeChat, Alipay, PayPal, bank card or credit card. Your order may be delivered to your home within 4–5 days of placing the order. If you require any assistance in making an order, please contact with your national advisor.



STUDENT COUNCIL ELECTION

The Student Council elections for the 2023–2024 school year are coming up. This year, elections will take place in the spring for all officer positions (President, Vice President, Treasurer, Public Relations Director, and Secretary).

Candidates for President and Vice President will have the opportunity to address the student body in Assembly on May 23. The elections for President and Vice President will take place directly after the speeches, and students will have the opportunity to participate in the voting process during lunch on those days. The speeches/elections for other officer positions will take place on May 30.



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Results will be announced in Assembly following the elections. Student Council officers will then have the summer to begin discussing and planning together.

In addition to the officers, a grade representative from each grade will be elected in the fall. The grade representative election will take place shortly after school resumes in August.

If students have questions about the Student Council election process, students may talk to or email Ms. Werner (anja.werner@yia-china.com).

LUNCH MENU UPDATES

The following changes have been made to the current Korean/Western lunch menus A and B:

- Tuesday's menu and Thursday's menu in menu A have been switched.
- Vegetable Salad in Tuesday menu B has changed to Potato Salad.

We are planning to add menu C in the week of May 22–26.

SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

School uniform is one of the symbols of team spirit and school honor, and also an important part of the campus culture construction. In order to standardize students' dress and show their spirit, YIA school uniform policies are as follows:

- The dark gray jacket or baseball jacket with YIA logo should be worn on the top, and the bottom is purple or white polo shirts. There could be with warm underwears inside the polo shirts.
- Pants should be black or khaki pants without logos. Sports pants are not allowed during non-sports classes time.



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ATTENDANCE POLICY–EPIDEMIC PREVENTION REQUIREMENTS

If a student is unable to arrive at school on time, parents should contact the Chinese tutor at least before 7:50 in the morning and explain the specific reason for the absence. If a student is absent from school for a day, parents should measure their child's temperature in the morning, noon and afternoon, and report the results to the Chinese tutor.

The medical attention of a student is the responsibility of the parent. Please Work with our school to protect students' health. Students should not be sent to school if they have bad colds, bad cough, fever (above 99°F/37.3°C), nausea, or have vomited in the past 24 hours. If a student is sent home because of a fever, they should not return to school until they are fever-free for 24 hours without medication to reduce the fever. Parents will be asked to pick up their sick child as soon as they can considering students' safety and health.

ABSENCE HANDLING PROCEDURES AND POLICIES

1. be late

If students are unable to arrive at school on time, parents should contact the Chinese tutor at least before 7:50 am on the same day. Students who arrive later than 8:00 a.m. should go to the Chinese tutor's office for registration with the "Late Arrival Form" issued by the front desk on the first floor before they can attend class.

Students are warned twice late. Students will be required to have a one-on-one meeting with the principal if they are late three times in a semester talk. If a student is late frequently during a quarter, the principal will meet with the parents of the late student. The number of late arrivals will be Cleared at the beginning of each new school season.

2. Leave early

If the student really needs to leave the school before the end of school (due to illness, handling public affairs, doctor's appointment, etc.), parents should contact the Chinese teacher in advance.



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3. Excused absence from work

Excused absences include illness, death of family members, and pre-approved family activities. In cases of excused absence, parents should contact the Chinese tutor at least before 7:50 am on the day of absence. Students who have accumulated more than three absences due to illness in a semester must come to school with a certificate issued by a doctor. If you are absent from work for 2 days or more due to work or illness, you must apply in writing to the principal at least one week in advance.

*Students who are unable to attend classes due to illness will not be able to participate in sports activities.

4. Unexcused absence from work

Students who are absent without a reasonable excuse will receive zero marks on assignments or exams for the day and will not be eligible for the day after-school activities. Unexcused absences on Friday will result in students not being able to participate in weekend activities.

CAMPUS ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

We would like to update you regarding the campus entry requirements. The guard will check the following: a) parent ID card b) mask c) temperature. If you plan to come to school for a purpose other than participating in a school-wide event for which the school has invited you, please continue to inform your child's teacher or parent liaisons about your visit beforehand, so that they can apply for approval from the Head Principal.



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LUNCH MENU

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Korean/ Western	Multigrain Rice, Egg Soup [^] , Beef Bulgogi, Stir-fried Shredded Potatoes, Popcorn Chicken Salad	Multigrain Rice, Kimchi Bean Sprout Soup, Fish Fillet [#] , Stir-fried Broccoli & Bacon, Potato Salad	Cream of Mushroom Soup ^{&} , Tomato Pasta [*] , Egg Salad Sandwich [^] , Chicken Salad, Pickles	Multigrain Rice, Fish Cake Soup [#] , Spicy Stir-fried Chicken [*] , Braised Quail Eggs in Soy Sauce, Sweet Potato Salad [@]	Bean Sprout Soup, Chicken Curry Rice, Chili Shrimp [#] , Hashbrowns, Corn Salad
Chinese	Multigrain Rice, Mixed Nuts Congee [@] , Stewed Ribs with Kelp, Sauteed Shredded Pork in Sweet Bean Sauce, Stir-fried Onion with Egg	Multigrain Rice, Millet Porridge, Dry-fried Pork, Shredded Pork with Garlic Sauce, Stir-fried Chinese Cabbage	Multigrain Rice; Rice Porridge; Stewed Beef with Tomatoes; Stir-fried Pork with Egg, Carrot, and Mushroom; Stir-fried Mushroom and Cole	Multigrain Rice, Cornmeal Porridge, Braised Shrimp [#] , Braised Pork with Potatoes, Stir-fried Broccoli with Carrot and Mushroom	Multigrain Rice, Seaweed and Egg Soup, Stewed Beef with Potato, Cumin Pork Slices, Stir-fried Celery with Lotus Slices
Fruit	Seasonal Fruits				

Allergies:

*Wheat

#Seafood

&Dairy

^Eggs

@Nuts



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