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YIA/YHIS SECONDARY WRITING CONTEST POSTPONED

Due to the uncertainty of the COVID19 situation, the writing contest has been postponed to Saturday, March 27, 2021. Please note that this is a tentative date and that we will inform you when the date is confirmed.

In the meantime, students can continue to register for the writing contest. Please refer to the details below.

Entrants:	secondary students in Yantai
How to register:	scan the QR code to register 
Registration fee:	50 RMB for internal students and 100 RMB for external students by January 25.

FULL SCHOOL UNIFORMS TO BE WORN FROM SEMESTER 2

Our international school's uniform is an important part of our identity. The uniform consists of a gray or purple polo shirt and a black jacket with an embroidered logo. The polo shirts were distributed to all students in November. The jacket will be distributed this Friday. If you would like to purchase extra uniform, please email us at communications@yia-china.com. Please refer to the table below for the uniform requirements beginning Semester 2.

YIA AMC 10/12 MATH COMPETITION FOR HS STUDENTS

We are pleased to announce that YIA is a hosting site for the American Mathematics Competition (AMC) for high school students on Friday, Feb. 5 from 10:00 – 11:15 am. The AMC 10 is for students in 10th grade and below and the AMC 12 for students in 12th grade and below. They are both 25-question, 75-minute, multiple choice examinations in high school mathematics designed to promote the development and enhancement of problem-solving skills. All students will participate in either AMC 10 or 12 exam. As it provides an opportunity for students to develop positive attitudes towards analytical thinking and mathematics.



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COGNIA SURVEY

YIA has successfully passed the initial Cogia accreditation review. The final stage of accreditation review will be held in April. As part of the final review, Cognia conducts surveys on parents, students and teachers . Students have recived survey links via email this week. The survey link will also be sent to parents.

Cognia is a non-profit, non-governmental organization that accredits primary and secondary schools throughout the United States and internationally. Founded in 2006, Cognia represents more than 36,000 institutions with a total of 25 million students and 5 million educators in about 80 counties.

LOCKDOWN DRILL

We conduct various safety drills throughout the school year, so that students and staff know what to do in case an emergency does happen.

The school practiced a lockdown drill today. A school lockdown drill is used when there is a threat of violence or risk of harm in or around the school. It is used when movement in or around the school is not safe. Lockdowns are utilized to isolate a threat and protect students and staff. The pictures below are from today's lockdown drill.



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POETRY SLAM

9th and 10th grade Creative Writing students participated in a Poetry Slam last Friday. Students presented their original stories and poems. Their stories made you laugh and also made you to reflect on your life. We are so proud of their progress on writing. We are impressed by their critical thinking ability.



BASKETBALL MATCH

YIA Boys Basketball had a match with Yew Wah Basketball team last Thursday. After nearly a month of training and preparation, the students stepped onto the field with confidence and showed their team spirit. Through such sports activities, it helps students work together as a team and strive for a common goal.



COMMUNITY LANGUAGE POLICY (CLP)

Given the number of different native languages spoken by students and staff at YIA, the school has selected English as a common language for students and staff to speak at all times during school hours. English was chosen since this is the language used for instruction at YIA, so one



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benefit of the CLP is that it will result in improvement in English language skills which will result in better grades. A second motivation for the CLP is the *Golden Rule*: treat others as you would like to be treated. As previously mentioned, the variety of native languages spoken by YIA community members means it is easy for individuals to be isolated if those around them are speaking a language they don't speak. The best way to care for those around you is to always speak in the common language (English) while on the campus or on the bus, since this is what you would want others to do for you. We encourage parents to remind students about the importance of the CLP for the two reasons stated above. We are aware that language is a key part of one's cultural identity and we welcome feedback on the CLP so that we can ensure it is in the best interests of the whole school family. Please feel free to reach out in the way you feel most comfortable and your input will be considered by the Leadership Team. More information about the CLP can be found in the Parent–Student Handbook.

CHINA WEEK

Chinese Spring Festival is one of the most important holidays in China. At YIA, we encourage students to stay rooted in Chinese culture and think globally. In order to enhance students' Chinese cultural literacy, we demonstrate Chinese cultural characteristics through various forms of activities e.g. China Week activities.

China Week is scheduled on Feb. 1–5. Various hands–on activities will be happening throughout the week. On Friday, Feb. 5, 1:30 – 3:10 pm, we will have China Week Performance in the large auditorium where students will perform various Chinese songs and dances. Due to the new campus entry policy, parents are not allowed on campus. As such, the China Week Performance will be livestreamed via Zoom. On that Friday, we would like to suggest that students dress in traditional Chinese clothes or wear red, China's main valued color.



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SCHOOL CALENDAR

- January 22 – End of Quarter 2/ Semester 1
- January 25 – Quarter 3/Semester 2 begins
- February 1–5 – China Week

LUNCH MENU

CHINESE LUNCH MENU

Menu	Monday January 25	Tuesday January 26	Wednesday January 27	Thursday January 28	Friday January 29
Grains	Rice, Steamed Buns	Rice, Steamed Buns	Rice, Steamed Buns	White and black Rice	Pan-fried Dumplings
Protein Food	Grilled Chicken Leg, Pork slices with Cumin	Stir-fried beef with Black Sauce, Stewed Pork Spine with White Gourd	Braised Pork with Mushroom, Stir-fried Sliced Chicken with Mushroom	Stewed beef with radish, Sweet-sour Pork	Fried Pork with Pineapple
Vegetables	Fried Egg with Zucchini, Fried Mushroom with Bok Choy	Sliced Potato with Green Pepper, Stir-fried Tomatoes and Cabbage	Scrambled Eggs with Leek, Scallion Oil Baby Cabbages	Stir-fried Potato with Green Peppers and Eggplant, Stir-fried Eggs with Tomatoes	Stir-fried Broccoli with Garlic
Soup	Cornmeal porridge	Huntun Soup	Black Rice Flour Gruel	Mixed Congee	Tomato and Egg Drop Soup
Allergens	Egg, Wheat	Wheat	Egg, Wheat	Egg	Egg

KOREAN LUNCH MENU



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Grains	Steamed Rice	Steamed Rice	Kimbab	Steamed Rice	Steamed Rice, Korean Noodles in Black Bean Sauce with Pork
Protein Food	Crispy Boneless Chicken Korean Fried Anchovies	Korean Stir-fried Beef Baked Boneless Chicken	Spicy Pork Zucchini Stew Pan-fried Tofu	Sweet and Sour Fish Fillet Korean Stir-fried Pork with Kimchi	Fried Egg
Vegetables	French Fries Steamed Broccoli with Garlic	Korean Spinach	Beansprout with Sesame	Zucchini Pancake	Stir-fried Kimchi with Onion
Others	Beef Radish Soup Korean Dessert	Bean Sprout Soup	Beef Kelp Soup	Soybean Paste Soup	Fish Cake Soup
Allergens	Egg, Milk, Wheat	Seafood, Bean Products	Wheat, Bean Products	Egg, Seafood	Egg, Seafood

WESTERN LUNCH MENU

Menu	Monday January 25	Tuesday January 26	Wednesday January 27	Thursday January 28	Friday January 29
Grains	Macaroni with Ground Beef and Chicken Tomato Sauce, BBQ Black Pepper Boneless Chicken Thigh	Beef Burger	Dinner Roll	Spaghetti with Ground Beef and Chicken Tomato Sauce. Crispy Fish	Steamed White Rice
Protein Food	French Fries Seasonal Vegetables		American-style Black Pepper Pork, Baked Chicken Drumstick		British Indian Chicken Curry with Potatoes
Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	French Fries Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Cajun Potato Wedges Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables



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Soup/Others	Cream of Pumpkin Soup	Minestrone Soup	Cream of Mushroom Soup	Cream of Broccoli Soup	Cookies
Allergens	Wheat, Egg, Milk	Wheat, Egg, Milk	Wheat, Egg, Milk	Wheat, Egg, Milk, Seafood	Wheat, Egg, Milk



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