

Kentucky Chinese American Association

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KYCAA Chinese School Grand Opening

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The Grand Opening ceremony for the KYCAA Chinese School was held at Beaumont Middle School in the afternoon of August 11th, 2012. About 200 people including students, parents, teachers, and school officials attended the ceremony.



The Chinese school is a new educational program offered by the Kentucky Chinese American Association (KYCAA). The school, conveniently located inside the Beaumont Middle School at 2080 Georgian Road in Lexington, features experienced teachers, a well designed curriculum and a professional advisory team comprised of veteran education experts. The school currently offers Chinese language classes at different levels and art classes. About 80 students have registered at the school. All classes meet every Saturday afternoon.

KYCAA President **Dr. Wei Luo** gave a short speech to the crowd. “Although the Chinese school is a brand new program created by KYCAA, the enrollment has far exceeded our original expectation,” said Dr. Luo. “We are very excited about it. As a leading Chinese American organization in the Commonwealth, KYCAA is committed to making the Chinese school a great place for Chinese learning and cultural promotion. Our goal is to develop this school into a leading Chinese school in Kentucky and in this country.”

Dr. Huajing Maske, Director of UK Confucius Institute (UKCI), attended and spoke at the ceremony. She said, “UK CI strongly support KYCAA Chinese School. We will provide excellent teachers and teacher training for the school and make the KYCAA Chinese school outstanding in Lexington.” UK Confucius Institute is our long-term partner and we have built up a good relationship between KYCAA and UKCI.



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“The Chinese school is also a collective effort forged by KYCAA, Beaumont Middle School, UK Confusions Institute, etc. With all the wonderful resources that we put together, the school will be playing an important role serving and contributing to the cultural diversity of our community,” added **Mr. Jie Chen**, the principal of KYCAA Chinese school.

Principle **Jie Chen**, then introduced all school committee members, officers and teachers to students and parents. He is looking forward to working with this wonderful team.



Ms. Cheryl Pan, a well-known master dancer and artistic director of KYCAA, teaches dance class at the school. She is a Chinese dance artist recognized by the Kentucky Arts Council with its Performing Art Directory and Art Education Directory. Her students

performed Chinese folk dances at the ceremony.



KYCAA Chinese School

- Strong Management
- Strong support from Fayette County and UK Confucius Institute
- Excellent Teachers
- Advice from experts in education and arts
- Small classes and low teacher/student ratio
- Education in Chinese language and beyond (Chinese culture, history, geography and more)



☺ *Classes for children*

- Chinese language (level 1—5)
- CSL for children*
- Chinese Dance/Music
- Painting/Drawing

△ *Classes for adults*

- CSL for adults *
- Chinese for business
- Tai Chi

• **Martial Art (Kung Fu) for Children and adults**

* CSL: Chinese as Second Language

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