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SCHOOL-WIDE NEWS

LifePlus Fine Arts Festival

YIA high school selected students from choir, band, art, and drama will be traveling to Tianjin to participate in the LifePlus Fine Arts Festival from March 13-16. The festival will be a two-day all-day event for advanced Art, Band, Choir, and Drama students in LifePlus schools. Participating music students prepare for a performance under the leadership of professional choral and band conductors. Drama students will learn a production along with students from other schools. Selected art students will participate in intensive workshops to fine-tune their art form. Our school will also send five artworks from our students. These pieces will be judged and scored at the Festival. The first, second, and third place winners are given prizes.

Please contact lexi.forstrom@yhischina.com with any questions about the trip.

Musical, Oz

We are excited to announce that YHIS will produce its 3rd annual musical, *Oz*, on April 11 and 12 in the YHIS Theater/Large Auditorium. There will be three public performances: 7:00 pm on Friday, April 11 and 2:00 & 7:00 pm on Saturday, April 12. This American musical, based on L. Frank Baum's classic tale, features a comical script by Tim Kelly and a tuneful score by Bill Francoeur. It features 34 students from YHIS and YIA playing leading and supporting roles.

The YHIS community is invited to join us for what is sure to be a memorable performance by our drama students.

Elementary students will have a chance to watch the musical on Friday, April 11, at 2:00 pm. Evening performances are free for students, and tickets for staff and the general public are available at 40 RMB through the QR code by Thursday, April 10, or at the door. If you purchase tickets, you will receive your tickets as you enter the campus. Cast members will receive two free tickets.

Come support our hard working theater kids in an entertaining evening!



Math Kangaroo Competition

YHIS/YIA will be hosting a Math Kangaroo Competition on Saturday, March 29. It is open to students from Grade 1 to Grade 12. It is a bilingual (Chinese and English) multiple-choice competition, categorized into six difficulty levels. Math Kangaroo is the largest international mathematical competition in the world. The competition tests logical combination, not just memorization of formulas.



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Awards will be given separately for each grade level. Global awards include the Math Kangaroo Achievement Award for students who achieve a perfect score. China regional awards are as follows:

- Top Gold Award: Top 5%
- Gold Award: Top 15%
- Silver Award: Top 25%
- Bronze Award: Top 40%
- Proficiency Award: Top 25% within each province, municipality, autonomous region, or special administrative region (in addition to national awards).

Exam Schedule

- Levels A(G1-2)/B(G3-4)/C(G5-6) (Grades 1-6): March 29, 2025 (Saturday), 10:00-11:15 AM (75 minutes, no breaks)
- Levels D(G7-8)/E(G9-10)/F(G11-12) (Grades 7-12): March 29, 2025 (Saturday), 2:00-3:15 PM (75 minutes, no breaks)
- Late arrivals: Students arriving more than 10 minutes late will not be allowed to enter. Early submission is allowed, but re-entry is not permitted after leaving the exam room.

Students may register for a higher-level exam but cannot select a lower level than their current grade.

Entry Requirements

- **Check-in time:**
 - Levels A/B/C: 9:30-9:45 AM
 - Levels D/E/F: 1:30-1:45 PM
- **Allowed items:**
 - Valid ID
 - 2B pencil, eraser, black/blue pen, blank scratch paper
 - A plain English-Chinese dictionary (no notes or markings)
- **Prohibited items:**
 - Calculators
 - Smartwatches, mobile phones, or electronic devices
 - Any items other than approved stationery



The participation fee is **200 RMB**. If you are interested, scan the QR code to complete the registration and payment by March 16, 2025. Seats are limited, and it's on a first-come, first-served basis.

5th Creative Writing Contest

The fifth annual Creative Writing Contest is scheduled for Saturday, March 22, from 8:30-12:00.

Creative Writing is important because it gives everyone an opportunity to communicate the "human experience." Through writing, you can reflect on the world around you—the needs, wants, evils, and good in humanity—and express those reflections artistically.

You will have the exciting opportunity to enhance your creative writing skills this year! During the workshop, you will explore a new style of creative writing, and afterward, you will apply what you've learned by writing your own masterpiece in the independent writing competition.

If you are interested, please complete the survey ([LINK](#)) by Friday, March 14. Please refer to the detailed schedule of the contest below. Grab your favorite pen or pencil, get ready, get set...write!



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Time	Program
8:30-9:00	Registration
9:00-9:40	Workshop
9:40-10:00	Break and Snacks
10:00-12:00	Writing Contest

Lunch Menu

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Korean	Multigrain Rice*, Egg Soup^*#, Beef Bulgogi*, Stir-fried Shredded Potatoes*, Pop Corn Chicken Cabbage Salad*^	Multigrain Rice*, Kimchi Bean-Sprout Soup#*, Fish Fillet*^#, Stir-fried Broccoli*, Teriyaki chicken-drumsticks*#	Mushroom Cream Soup*&, Tomato Pasta*^*, Egg Salad Sandwich*^&, Steamed Chicken Salad*, Pickles	Multigrain Rice*, Soybean Paste Soup*#, Grilled Marinated Pork* Steamed Egg^*, Lettuce Salad*#	Bean Sprout Soup#*, Chicken Curry Rice*, Fried shrimp fish cake*#^ Roasted vegetables Corn Salad^
Chinese/ Western	Multigrain Rice, Cornmeal Porridge, Hot dog *^& Braised Pork Ribs with Seaweed#* Stir fried broccoli*	Multigrain Rice, Millet Porridge, Mushroom and Potato Stewed Meat , Pizza*^&, Fried potato chunks	Multigrain Rice; Rice Porridge; Stewed Beef with Tomatoes*#; popcorn chicken*^ Stir-fried Mushroom and Cole*	Multigrain Rice, Cornmeal Porridge, Stir-fried Shrimp with Chopped Vegetables*#, Chicken cutlet burger*^&, Stir-fried Broccoli with Carrot and Mushroom*	Multigrain Rice, Seaweed and Egg Soup^*#*, Stewed Beef with Potato*#*, Cream screw surface*^&, Stir-fried Celery with Lotus Slices*
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.



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