



# SHARK BITE

Yantai Huasheng International School

August 31, 2023

## SCHOOL-WIDE NEWS

### WE ARE LIFEPLUS

You may remember from our communications in the spring that YHIS is part of the educational company, LifePlus.

While you'll see some visual changes, the heart of who we are as an organization remains unchanged. With a competitive English curriculum and globally recognized Cogna® accreditation, we are still deeply committed to providing world-class education to students as the best international school in Yantai.

Beyond academics, great care is at the core of LifePlus. It radiates through the way we treat our students and coworkers, deliver educational excellence, and encourage one another to live with compassion.

Our "LifePlus" name reflects who we are as a community of teachers and students who learn, love, and lead. Above all, it reflects our unwavering belief that education has the power to ignite change, inspiring individuals of all ages to contribute meaningfully to the common good.

If you have questions about LifePlus and the benefits it brings to our school, please contact us at [office@yhischina.com](mailto:office@yhischina.com).

As part of our YHIS family, we're glad to welcome you into the LifePlus global family, too!

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### PTO LEADERSHIP APPLICATION

Parent-Teacher Organization (PTO) is an integral part of YHIS. The PTO organizes and supports multiple events to bring together the entire YHIS community. Since it began serving YHIS, the PTO has raised funds for a charity organization and school events. The school is looking for parents who would consider becoming a PTO executive member. The executive officer positions include President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, and Language Group Leaders (English, Chinese, and Russian). If you are interested, please complete the application form ([LINK](#)) by Friday, September 8. Thank you for your support of our students, teachers, and school!

### TALENT SHOW

Our school is having a Talent Show on Friday, October 20! It will be held in the Theater during the school day. Students who would like to participate must fill out a registration form and send a video audition to Ms. Forstrom by **Thursday, September 28**. After the October holiday, students will be notified whether they made it in the show. Secondary students can find the registration forms next week on a table outside of the music room (420) along with a full list of rules and regulations. ECC and Elementary students can get the forms from Ms. Ma during their music class. At the show, a judging panel comprised of teachers and parents will select the winners for three categories: Best Quality Talent, Most Popular with Audience, and Best Effort. If you have any question, please contact Ms. Forstrom at [lexi.forstrom@yhischina.com](mailto:lexi.forstrom@yhischina.com). We look forward to seeing our students share their talents!

## CALENDAR UPDATES

The following updates have been made to the school calendar. Please click [HERE](#) to view the updated calendar.

### Elementary School

November 22	Elementary Science Fair
March 29	Reading Fair
April 26	Elementary Field Day
June 11	Kindergarten and G5 Graduation

### Secondary School

September 19-20	MS Fall Camp
September 21-22	HS Fall Camp

## PARENT ACCESS TO CANVAS

Students in Grade 5 and above use Canvas, which is a Learning Management System (LMS) that simplifies teaching and learning by connecting the digital tools teachers and students use into one place. The school would like to give you access to Canvas to help you better engage in your child's education. Parents function as observers. As an observer, you will have limited permissions that allow you to see what is going on in a course without interrupting or participating in the course. Please click [HERE](#) to view a guide on how to log in to Canvas *for the first time*. This will help you set up a new password. If you already have an observer access, you do not need to redo it.

## ELEMENTARY NEWS

### FREE DENTAL AND VISION CHECKS

The Education Bureau has been working with private hospitals to provide free dental and vision screenings for schools in the KaiFaQu. As such, our ECC/elementary students will have a chance to take a free dental and vision check at school. The dental check will be conducted by YiKeYa Oral Hospital (壹颗牙口腔医院), The vision check will be conducted by MingRun Ophthalmologic Hospital (明润眼科医院). The screenings will be conducted throughout the school day on Wednesday, September 13, and each one will take about 10 minutes. If you would like your child to receive this service, please register your child through this [survey](#). Students who participated in the vision and dental checks last year received a patient record book. If your child has their record book, please send it to school with your child on the day. New students will receive a new record book.

### ECC MYSTERY READER

Mystery Reader 2023-2024! We are looking for parents/staff/students who would be willing to read to our ECC students. This is a great opportunity to serve and encourage foundational reading skills in the ECC students, and to develop in them a love for reading and learning.



Please sign up using this [LINK](#). The link is for the months of August to January, a new link will be shared for February to June.

**When:** 2:30 – 2:50 pm every Wednesday

**Where:** Kindergarten Classroom (101)

**What:** Please choose a fun and engaging book to read

Please contact Mrs. Wessels about Mystery Reader at [Monique.Wessels@yhischina.com](mailto:Monique.Wessels@yhischina.com).

## SECONDARY NEWS

### STUDENT COUNCIL RETREAT

The Student Council will take time on September 14-15 to plan for the new school year. Activities will include team-building games, planning events, managing finances, and making amendments.

**High School StuCo:** Officers will meet on Thursday, September 14 (8:00 am-8:30 pm) and September 15 (8:00am-3:00pm). Activities will take place at the Wanhang Holiday Inn Express and the teacher apartments. More information will be sent home with participating students.

**Middle School StuCo:** All elected StuCo members will meet on Friday, September 15 (3:30-8:30 pm) in the school building. More information will be sent home with participating students.

### MS & HS FALL CAMPS

The Middle School Fall Camp has been rescheduled for September 19-20, taking place separately from the High School Fall Camp scheduled for September 21-22. More information will be provided in the coming weeks.

### SECONDARY LUNCH TIMES

A lengthy queue formed during lunchtime for secondary students. To address this, adjustments have been made to the secondary advisory and assembly schedule in order to alleviate the extended wait. Please refer to the adjusted schedule below.

Middle School Advisory / Assembly Schedule <i>for most weeks</i>				
<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>
Advisory until 12:10	Advisory until 12:20	Advisory until 12:10	Assembly in 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor Collaboration Space, aiming for a 12:15-12:20 release	Advisory until 12:20

<b>High School Advisory / Assembly Schedule <i>for most weeks</i></b>				
<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>
Advisory until 12:20	Advisory until 12:10	Advisory until 12:20	Assembly in 4 <sup>th</sup> Floor Auditorium, aiming for a 12:20-12:25 release	Advisory until 12:10

## **LIFEPLUS ONLINE ACADEMY ORIENTATION**

If your child is taking an online class through LifePlus Online Academy, please mark your calendar for LifePlus Online Academy virtual orientation on Friday, September 1 at 8:30 pm at this [LINK](#). We hope to see you there!

## ECC/G1-2 SNACK MENU

	Morning	Afternoon
<b>Monday</b>	Honey Bun, Kiwifruit, Mango	Donut, Orange, Grape
<b>Tuesday</b>	Marble Cake, Orange, Banana	Roll Cake, Dragon Fruit, Melon
<b>Wednesday</b>	Date Cake, Apple, Grapefruit	Muffin Cake, Orange, Pineapple
<b>Thursday</b>	Brownie, Melon, Grape	Chocolate Cookies, Milk, Orange
<b>Friday</b>	French Bun, Dragon Fruit, Orange	Butter Cookie, Yogurt, Kiwifruit

## LUNCH MENU

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Korean/ Western</b>	Multigrain Rice, Soybean Paste Soup, Braised Pork Ribs, Egg Rolls <sup>^</sup> , Popcorn Chicken Salad	Multigrain Rice, Miso Soup, Stir-fried Pork, Steamed Egg <sup>^</sup> , Seasoned Bean Sprouts, Tornado Potatoes	Egg Soup <sup>^</sup> , Shrimp Fried Rice <sup>#</sup> , Hamburg Steak, Hashbrowns, Salad	Multigrain Rice, Bean Sprout Soup, Korean Braised Chicken, Stir-fried Sausages and Vegetables, Potato Salad	Stir-fried Beef Rice, Udon <sup>*</sup> , Sweet and Sour Pork, Stir-fried Broccoli, Salad
<b>Chinese</b>	Multigrain Rice, Millet Congee, Braised Beef with Radish and Carrot, Braised Pork Balls in Gravy, Mung Bean Sprouts in Vinegar	Multigrain Rice; Mixed Nuts Porridge; Stewed Ribs with Yam; Shredded Pork; Stir-fried Potato, Green Pepper, and Eggplant	Multigrain Rice, Cornmeal Porridge, Double-cooked Pork Slices, Braised Pork with Mushroom, Fried Gourd with Carrot	Multigrain Rice, Rice Porridge, Stewed Pork with Brown Sauce, Stir-fried Shrimp with Celery, Stir-fried Egg and Tomato	Multigrain Rice, Seaweed and Egg Soup, Braised Pork with Quail Eggs, Sauteed Beef Filet with Green Pepper, Mapo Tofu
<b>Fruit</b>	<b>Seasonal Fruits</b>				

**Allergies:**

\*Wheat

#Seafood

&Dairy

^Eggs

@Nuts