Yantai Huasheng International School

August 22, 2024

## **SCHOOL-WIDE NEWS**

#### MAP® TESTING

As part of the LifePlus network of schools, YHIS is conducting the Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) tests as a form of standardized testing from Monday, September 2, to Friday, September 27. The MAP



test is designed for students from Kindergarten to 10th Grade. Different grades will test at different times. All students will be tested in the fall, and spring of each school year. Students who are new in the second semester and students in ESL will be tested in the winter as well. The test will be administered on school computers or iPads.

MAP tests determine your child's instructional level and measure academic growth, both throughout the school year and from year to year, in the areas of Math, Language, Reading, and Science. MAP tests are unique in that they are adaptive tests. That means that the test becomes more difficult with the more questions your child answers correctly. When your child incorrectly answers a question, the test becomes easier. Therefore, your child will take a test specifically catered to his or her learning level.

Since MAP Growth tests provide immediate and accurate information about your child's learning, teachers use this information to identify students with similar scores that are generally ready for instruction in similar skills and topics. They then plan their instruction accordingly so that students learn optimally.

There is no additional studying that students need to put in for this test. Rather, the test serves as an assessment tool for where a student's levels are currently. The school is excited to focus on your child's individual growth and achievement.

#### ATTENDANCE POLICY

Parents should send an email to <a href="mailto:attendance@yhischina.com">attendance@yhischina.com</a> by 8:00 am on the day their child will be unable to attend school. The specific reason for the absence should also be given at this time.

Students should not be sent to school if they have:

- 1. Severe colds
- 2. Fever (above 99.86°F/37.7°C)
- 3. Nausea or vomiting
- 4. Diarrhea
- 5. Undetermined rash or spots
- 6. Lice

Parents should not give medicine in the morning to reduce fever, and then send their child to school. If a student is sent home with fever, diarrhea, or vomiting, the student may not return to school the next day.

Students may return to school:

- Nasal discharge or phlegm is clear
- No fever for 24 hours (no medication to reduce fever for 24 hours)
- Has not vomited or had diarrhea for 24 hours

## **HSK Testing on October 19**

The registration for the June 22 test opens at 4:00 pm on Monday, September 30, and ends at 4:00 pm on Wednesday, October 9. Taking the HSK test is open to anyone. You can register and make your payment through the official HSK website. After a successful registration, you will receive a confirmation email. As soon as the capacity (30 per session) is reached, the registration will end. The HSK tests will be administered on school computers.

The table below outlines the schedule for HSK tests over the next three months.

HSK Test Date	Testing Level	Registration Open Date	Registration Close Date	Test time
October 19 (Sat)	3, 4, 5, 6	September 30	October 9	Level 3: Written test: 1:30 pm Speaking test: 3:40 pm  Level 4: Written test: 9:00 am Speaking test: 11:25 am  Level 5: Written test: 1:30 am Speaking test: 4:30 pm  Level 6: Written test: 9:00 am Speaking test: 4:30 pm
December 8 (Sun)	3, 4, 5, 6	November 18	November 28	Level 4: Written test: 9:00 am Speaking test: 11:25 am  Level 5: Written test: 1:30 am Speaking test: 4:30 pm  Level 6: Written test: 9:00 am Speaking test: 4:30 pm

#### STUDENT RESIDENCE PERMIT APPLICATION

The school provides assistance in issuing or extending residence permits for students who are over 18 and for a parent whose spouse has returned to their home country. If one of your family members falls into one of these two categories and their residence permit is set to expire before March 31, 2025, please contact Mrs. Michelle Li at <a href="michelle.li@yhischina.com">michelle.li@yhischina.com</a> by August 31, 2024. There will be a parent meeting to guide you through the application process. The time and date will be announced later. If you have any questions about student residence permit, please contact Mrs. Michelle Li.

## SCHOOL QR CODES FOR PAYMENT

Parents can pay different kinds of fees for their child through two school QR codes. Please refer to the table below for more information. Our finance staff will take care of your requests within two or three working days.



#### LUNCH FEE TOP-UP THROUGH POWERSCHOOL

In addition to topping up money on your child's lunch card through bank transfer or QR code, you can easily do this through PowerSchool. This is accessible only on computers, not on smartphones. Please refer to the guides (LINK) and note that while topping up through a bank transfer or QR code may require up to one working day, top-up through PowerSchool will directly update your child's balance immediately.

#### COMMUNICATIONS REGARDING SHARK SHOP

Our Shark Shop manager is accessible for communication on WeChat. Parents can easily inquire about uniforms and other items, as well as place orders through WeChat. Please scan the QR code to add the WeChat account. After making a payment, please take a screenshot of the transaction and send it to the manager for confirmation.



# **ECC & ELEMENTARY NEWS**

#### **ECC MYSTERY READER**

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 to be a Mystery Reader using this LINK.

When: Select Fridays – please see the link for dates

Time: 08:15-08:30

Where: Blue Room, 2nd floor

What: Please choose a fun and engaging book to read, one that is appropriate for ECC

students.

We look forward to the wonderful stories that will be shared!

#### **ELEMENTARY AFTER-SCHOOL ACTIVITIES**

The elementary after-school activities will begin on Wednesday, September 18 and run until Wednesday, November 27 for Wednesday activities and Monday, December 2 for Monday activities. More information will be provided in the coming weeks.

# **SECONDARY NEWS**

#### STUDENT COUNCIL RETREAT DATE CHANGED

The Student Council Retreat dates have been rescheduled:

High School: September 6-7Middle School: September 13-14

### High School Student Council Retreat

Students who have been elected into the Student Council will join for a retreat to plan events and participate in team-building activities. The retreat will be an overnight lock-in event this year for participating students. Permission forms with a detailed schedule will be distributed to the StuCo members this week. Please contact <a href="mailto:lexi.forstrom@yhischina.com">lexi.forstrom@yhischina.com</a> if you have any questions.

#### Middle School Student Council Retreat

Interviews with the candidates took place this week. Once the members are selected, permission forms with a detailed schedule will be sent home. Please contact Mr. Chan Lee at <a href="mailto:chan.lee@yhischina.com">chan.lee@yhischina.com</a> if you have any questions.

#### SECONDARY AFTER-SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

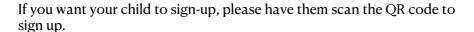
The secondary after-school activities will begin on Monday, September 2 and run until Friday, December 6. Secondary students will sign up for activities in the next couple of weeks.

#### HS VOLLEYBALL AND MS SOCCER TEAM SIGN UP

We are looking for Grade 9-12 boys and girls to sign up. We are excited to build upon the hard work and success of last season. It should be a great year to be a Shark! The LifePlus HS Volleyball Tournament will be held in Tianjin on October 17-19.



Middle School Soccer tryout dates will be announced later. We are looking for Grade 6-8 boys and girls who want to learn and compete. We have excited and talented coaches who are ready to invest in your student by building soccer skills, teamwork, leadership skills, and lasting bonds that only come from hard work and competition. The LifePlus MS Soccer Tournament will be held in Wuhan on October 24-26. We may have a friendly soccer match in WeiHai on Saturday, September 21.





# ECC/G1-2 Snack Menu

Morning		Afternoon	
Monday	Anhydrous Cake, Apple, Dragon Fruit	Butter Cookie, Mango, Cherry Tomato	
Tuesday	Sponge Cake, Grape, Orange	Vegetable Cookie, Milk, Apple	
Wednesday	Chocolate Cake, Orange, Melon	Chocolate Cookies, Banana, Pear	
Thursday	Toast with Jam, Melon, Dragon Fruit	Animal Shape Cookies, Apple, Pear	
Friday	Egg Pie, Grape, Cherry Tomato	Egg Tarts, Yogurt, Cherry Tomato	

# **Lunch Menu**

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
Korean/ Western	Bibimbap#*^, Beef Radish Soup*	Multigrain Rice*, Kimchi Tofu Soup#*, Pork Bulgogi*, Stir-fried Glass Noodles*, Pop Corn Chicken Salad*^	Black Bean Sauce Noodles*&, Egg Soup^*#, Sweet and Sour Pork*^, Chili Shrimp*^#, Cabbage Salad^	Stir-fried Kimchi Rice*#, Egg & Bean Sprout Soup#**, Smoked Duck*#, Seasoned Spinach*, Dried Seaweed#, Sweet Potato Salad^&	Hamburger^*&, Potato Wedges, Corn Salad^, Juice	
Chinese	Multigrain Rice, Double Cooked Pork Slices*, Braised Ribs with White Gourd*, Fried Cabbage with Noodles#* Millet Porridge	Multigrain Rice, Fried Streaky Pork, Stewed Beef with Mushroom and Potato#*, Fried Potato Sticks with Celery* Cornmeal Porridge	Multigrain Rice, Crispy Fried Pork*^, Braised Pork with Bean Curd#*, Scrambled Eggs with Spinach^* Cornmeal and Rice Porridge	Multigrain Rice, Sweet and Sour Pork <sup>*</sup> *, Pork Spring Roll <sup>*</sup> *, Fried Vegetables with Mushroom* Cornmeal Porridge	Multigrain Rice, Stewed Pork with Brown Sauce*, Fried Shrimp <sup>#*</sup> , Stir-fried Eggs with Tomatoes <sup>**</sup> Seaweed and Egg Soup <sup>*#*</sup> ,	
Fruit	Seasonal Fruits					

Allergies:
\*Wheat \*Seafood \*Dairy ^Eggs \*Nuts

<sup>\*</sup>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.