



SHARK BITE

Yantai Huasheng International School

January 9, 2025

SCHOOL-WIDE NEWS

Updates on the Formal School Uniform

Thank you to everyone who participated in the formal uniform survey. Based on the survey results, the striped cardigan received the most votes and has been selected as the final design. We have ordered a sample cardigan to ensure it meets our standards. For the girls' ties, the second option received the most votes and will be adopted.

Semester 1 Report Card Available on PowerSchool

To keep parents informed about their child's academic performance, the school provides digital copies of student report cards, accessible through PowerSchool. To view the report card, log in to PowerSchool and click the "Student Reports" icon in the menu on the left. Printed copies are available upon request. A printed copy is available upon request. Please contact Ms. Jess Li, Registrar, at registrar@yhischina.com if you have further questions.

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 one working day. For tuition fees, please refer to [the school bank information](#), make a bank transfer, and send an email to the Finance Office (finance@yhischina.com) with a screenshot of the transfer, your child's name and grade.

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| QR Code |  |  |
| Use of QR Code | Lunch Fee, After-School Activity Fee, Bus Fee | Shark Shop Item and Uniform |
| Payment Platform | WeChat Pay, Alipay | WeChat Pay, Alipay |

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.



Student Residence Permit Application

The school provides assistance in issuing or extending residence permits for students 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 November 30, 2025, please inform the school by completing this survey ([LINK](#)) by January 24, 2025. We will follow up with those who complete the survey to start the application process.

Winter 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 Tuesday, January 7, to Friday, January 24. The testing date and time for each grade varies. For Elementary, new students will take tests in Math, Language, Reading, and Science, while those in the ELS program will only take the Reading test. For Secondary, MAP Testing will be administered only to new students from semester 1 and individuals who scored below their expected level. MAP Testing takes place in the Fall, Winter, and Spring of each school year. The tests 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.

ELEMENTARY NEWS

ECC January Spirit Day

We are excited for our ECC January Spirit Day. Students may wear pajamas to school on Friday, January 17. We look forward to seeing all the cozy pajamas (and slippers) in ECC!



SECONDARY NEWS

LifePlus Middle School VEX Robotics Competition

The LifePlus MS VEX Robotics Competition is taking place on January 9-11, 2025. Wuhan Yangtze International School (WYIS) is hosting the competition, and 20 students in MS Robotics class and club is participating in the competition. This will provide a good opportunity for the students to present not only their robotics skills, but also their problem-solving skills. They will showcase their "Teamwork, Controlling, and Programming Skills". Go Sharks!

TED X Speaking Opportunity

YHIS is proud to host TEDxYantai Huasheng Intl School in April 2025. We are looking for some Secondary Student speakers to give presentations at the event. Giving a TED Talk would be a wonderful chance for students to develop public speaking skills, share thoughts with our school body, and challenge their own intellectual thinking. This year, topics are open to the interests of the speakers. (What ideas and knowledge can you contribute to our school community?) Applications will be closed on Tuesday, January 21, and six students will be selected to participate in the event. Students may apply by Ms. Lexi Forstrom's email (lexi.forstrom@yhischina.com). Please contact Ms. Forstrom if you have any questions.

Yunnan Service Trip Opportunity

This summer, LifePlus high school students have the opportunity to take learning beyond the classroom walls as part of the Yunnan high school service trip. Join friends from LifePlus-China schools to make a real difference in a vibrant local community while exploring one of the most stunning regions China!

During this unforgettable experience, students will:

Lend a Helping Hand: Earn service hours by working alongside local farmers, taking part in small construction projects, and preserving a traditional guesthouse.

Trek in Beautiful Nature: After 5 days of meaningful service, venture into the breathtaking Yunnan mountains on a three-day backpacking trip filled with unforgettable views and fresh mountain air.

Build Bonds & Reflect: Create lasting friendships, participate in team-building activities, and take time for personal growth and reflection.

The journey costs just **¥2,500 RMB** plus airfare and spending money. Students in grades 9-12 are encouraged to apply!

Application Deadline: February 15

Ready to step into an adventure? Access the application using this [LINK](#).

| High School Service Trip | | | |
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| June 17-27, 2025 | Cost: ¥2,500 + flights | For students currently in grades 9-12 | Applications due February 14 |

Scan to apply!

LifePlus... Odyssey

ECC/G1-2 Snack Menu

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

Lunch Menu

| | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| Korean | Fish Cake Soup*#, Rice Omelet#^*, Pork Cutlet*^, Seasoned Bean Sprouts*, Cabbage Salad^ | Chicken Soup*, Multigrain Rice*, Tuna Kimchi Pancake*#, Stir-fried Zucchini#*, Silken Tofu* | Miso Soup#*, Spam Tuna Mayo Rice#^*, Stir-fried Broccoli + Mushroom*, Yakult& | Kimchi Soup#*, Multigrain Rice*, Fried Cod*#^, Spicy Stir-fried Pork*, Quail Egg Salad^ | Rose sauce Tteokbokki*#&^ Stir-fried Beef Rice* Fried Shrimp*#^ Candied Sweet Potatoes* Juice |
| Chinese/ Western | Multigrain Rice, Pork Chop Burger*#&^, Deep-fried Pork Filet,* Stir fried broccoli and cauliflower*, Cornmeal Porridge, | Multigrain Rice, Cream pasta*#&*, Poached Slices of Pork#*, Stir-fried Tomatoes with Eggs*^ Millet Congee | Multigrain Rice, Braised Ribs with Corn*, Beef Rice Ball*, Stir-fired Mushroom with Broccoli*, Rice Porridge | Multigrain Rice, Braised Quail Eggs with Pork*, popcorn chicken*^ Stir-fried Celery with Tofu Skin*, | Multigrain Rice, Fried chicken fillet*, Fried Vegetables with Mushroom*, Seaweed Egg Soup*#^ |
| 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.