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中文

Your child can start in
kindergarten or grade 1



Is Chinese (Mandarin) Bilingual the right choice for my child?

Benefits of learning Chinese (Mandarin) Bilingual:

- Research suggests there are intellectual benefits to learning a second language.
- Learning another language can enhance self esteem.
- It strengthens English literacy skills.
- It is a gateway to international opportunities.
- It celebrates and integrates Chinese and Canadian cultural traditions.

The Chinese (Mandarin) Bilingual Program provides students with the opportunity to acquire the skills for listening, speaking, reading, and writing in both English and Mandarin beginning at a young age. Chinese and English are used as the languages of instruction.

Simplified Chinese script will be taught beginning in Kindergarten to enhance the learner's understanding of the rich culture and history, which the language represents. The Hanyu Pinyin pronunciation system will be taught to accelerate the process of learning to read in Chinese.

Which schools offer Chinese (Mandarin) Bilingual?

| school | phone | address |
|-------------------------|--------------|---------------------------|
| Colonel Irvine School | 403-777-7280 | 412 Northmount Drive N.W. |
| Harold Panabaker School | 403-777-7890 | 23 Sackville Dr. SW |
| Highwood School | 403-777-6200 | 11 Holmwood Avenue N.W. |
| Marion Carson School | 403-777-6050 | 5225 Varsity Drive N.W. |
| Midnapore School | 403-777-8680 | 55 Midpark Rise S.E. |

(Grades 5-7 are offered for the 2018-19 school year)

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