

# Sir Winston Churchill High School

## Chinese IB

As part of an IB program, Chinese IB is an excellent way to improve a heritage language or learn a new globally important language.

The IB schools in Calgary are proud to have been IB partners with The Chinese Academy for almost 20 years. Chinese IB is taught by IB trained teachers at The Chinese Academy. There is a fee associated with enrolling in this Academy. There is a fee for this program with The Chinese Academy.

The Chinese courses run Saturdays, throughout the school year, at Sir John A McDonald School and the John G Diefenbaker High School campuses. Students who wish to study Mandarin IB or Cantonese IB at The Chinese Academy must register in September of grade 10 with The Chinese Academy, for Chinese 10 Honours, which is a pre-requisite course for entry into Chinese IB in grade 11.

Students will apply to the IB program in their designated high school, and if they are successful in being accepted into an IB program including Chinese IB, they would continue with The Chinese Academy throughout grade 11 and 12 on Saturdays. They would pay their IB fees (for IB registration and for their exam) and write their exams at their designated high school.

The Chinese Academy offers Mandarin ab initio (for the beginning Mandarin student, who may have some experience speaking the language, but does not read or write at all in Mandarin), Mandarin SL and Cantonese SL (for students with minimal experience reading and writing in Mandarin or Cantonese). Students already fluent in speaking, reading and writing in Mandarin/Cantonese are not eligible to study Chinese IB in Calgary, as no school offers Chinese HL currently.