

ACES 2025 Summer Camp

Chinese / Math / Jazz Drum / Chess / Art / Science Projects / Kids Drama / Dance

As summer approaches, children dream of a place where learning and fun go hand in hand

Our thoughtfully designed Chinese Summer Camp is sure to be your ideal choice!

Each morning, students are immersed in the world of **Chinese**—
Through songs, games, and hands-on activities, they'll naturally strengthen their **listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills.**

Daily outdoor time adds even more joy, promoting knowledge, fitness, and well-being. In the afternoon, we offer an exciting variety of enrichment classes:

Jazz drum to spark rhythm, LEGO robotics to inspire innovation,

Chess to sharpen minds, art and science projects to ignite creativity,

Dance—both cultural and modern—to express emotion, and **kids' drama** to build confidence and communication skills.

These programs help children unleash their imagination, develop a sense of achievement, and grow with joy.

We take great pride in our exceptional teaching team—dedicated professionals who guide students to learn actively and explore boldly, ensuring every child gains and grows in a happy, nurturing environment.

By joining our Chinese Summer Camp, Your child is sure to gain a fulfilling experience, Create vibrant summer memories, And enjoy a meaningful, enriching summer break.

We warmly welcome parents to register and embark on an unforgettable summer journey with us.

Let's make this summer spectacular together at ACES!

Why Choose ACES:

- Immersive Mandarin Mornings: Children engage in Mandarin learning while building friendships and deepening cultural awareness.
- Diverse Afternoon Programs: Students can explore English, Math, logic training, jazz drum, chess, drama, art, science experiments, dance, and LEGO robotics.
- Modern Facilities: All 20 classrooms are renovated with hardwood floors, bright and spacious learning areas, fresh air, and complete educational equipment for optimal comfort.
- **Experienced & Caring Teachers:** Our teaching team combines professional knowledge with heartfelt dedication.
- Indoor & Outdoor Activities Daily: With a dedicated indoor gym, children enjoy fun and fitness even during hot summer days. Outdoor adventures to nearby parks and playgrounds are part of the daily routine.

- Weekly Hands-On Projects: Including crafts like paper-cutting, Chinese knots, and more.
- **Q Cooking Time:** Kids can prepare simple dishes in our school kitchen under teacher guidance.

ACES Summer Camp is a long-standing, trusted, and experienced program.

All tuition may qualify for Dependent Care FSA or other tax savings programs.

Over the past decade, we've developed a comprehensive educational system— One that focuses on Chinese language development while integrating math, logic, English vocabulary, reading, writing, and a wide variety of interest-based and skill-building activities.

Our program is one-of-a-kind:

It allows children to enjoy the summer while meaningfully improving their academic skills. With structured lessons and fun exploration, they will strengthen their Chinese, boost math and reasoning skills, enrich their English, and prepare confidently for the next school year.

This year's camp continues our proven and beloved curriculum!

Program Structure

- Half-Day Chinese Immersion Classes
- Afternoon Options (Choose One):
 - English / Math / OLSAT
 - Chess
 - Art
 - Jazz Drum
 - o Fun Science
 - Kids Drama
 - Dance
 - Robotics

Camp Overview

- Camp Hours:
 - All-Day Session: 8:00 AM 6:00 PM
 - Morning Session: 8:00 AM 1:00 PM
 - Afternoon Session: 1:00 PM 6:00 PM
- **Davs:** Monday Friday
- Dates: Weekly sessions from May 27 through August 8 (11 weeks total)
- Ages: 5 12
- Weekly Tuition:
 - All-Day: \$310/week (\$250 for May 27 or July 4 weeks due to holidays)
 - Half-Day: \$205/week (\$170 for May 27 or July 4 weeks)

Additional Fees:

\$20/week for Jazz Drum

Performance on Friday afternoons for weeks with Jazz Drum, Drama, or Dance

\$20 material fee for Fun Science or Robotics

Location:

ACES Learning Center

13581 Pond Springs Rd. Suite 200, Austin, TX 78729

Discounts

- Register before April 30 to waive the \$35 registration fee and reserve your spot.
- A \$20/week deposit is required at registration; remaining tuition is due **two weeks before each session**. The deposit becomes non-refundable if canceled within 14 days of the session start.
- Multi-Week Discount: \$15 off per week if registering for 6 or more full-day weeks.
- Sibling Discount: \$15 off per week for the second and third child (full-day only).
 Sibling discount can be combined with multi-week discount.
- All fees may be used for Dependent Care, FSA, or tax deduction programs.

Camp Curriculum

1. Goals:

Our primary objective is to enhance students' Chinese skills. At the same time, we provide daily academic enrichment in English reading, writing, math, and logic to prepare students for the upcoming school year. Afternoon programs expand students' knowledge and interests through specialty camps such as chess, art, jazz drum, science, and more.

2. Program Details:

• **Chinese:** Listening, speaking, reading, and writing are taught through Chinese songs, stories, videos, and interactive activities. The goal is to foster both skill and enjoyment in learning Chinese without relying on a single textbook series.

• English/Math/OLSAT Combination:

- Vocabulary Building: We believe foundational vocabulary is best developed at a young age—especially before age 13. Solid vocabulary skills will greatly benefit SAT, AP, and future academic performance.
- Reading/Writing: Designed to boost comprehension speed and writing skills—especially helpful for bilingual students.
- Math: Focus on two areas: 1) Core concept and speed-building practice (e.g., Kumon-style), and 2) Competition-level problem solving (AMC/MathCounts) to develop critical thinking skills such as reasoning, deduction, and analysis.
- OLSAT Prep: We offer targeted training in abstract thinking and logic puzzles similar to those used in TAG qualification tests in RRISD (typically in January).
- Chess: Far beyond a board game, chess improves focus, strategic thinking, planning, and analysis. Students will learn theory, practice games, and post-game analysis. Classes are led by high-ranking USCF-rated high school or college students. Chess is offered for four weeks only (see registration form).
- Art: Our half-day Chinese + Art camp offers dedicated creative time beyond weekly art class constraints. Students will complete 1–2 full pieces daily. Art camp is available three weeks only (see registration form).
- Kids Drama (in Chinese): Teaching Chinese through performance helps students retain vocabulary and build confidence. Led by a professional instructor from the Central Academy of Drama in China, the drama camp uses storytelling and acting to enrich language learning. Recommended for students grade 2 and above who have basic Chinese fluency. K-1 student requires a placement interview.



 Dance: Dance enhances coordination, rhythm, body awareness, and confidence. It also strengthens cognitive and physical abilities. An essential component of wellrounded development.



- **Jazz Drum:** Taught by Ms. Cao, a graduate of the Shanghai Conservatory of Music with 10+ years of percussion experience. She has taught at international preschools and music schools. Jazz Drum camp is offered for two weeks only.
- Fun Science & Technology: Similar to "Mad Science," this program dives deeper into science concepts and theory in a fun, hands-on way. Projects include rainbows, circuits, and more. Taught in Chinese to expand scientific vocabulary. Offered for two weeks only.
- **Robotics:** Designed for ages 6–12, students build racing vehicles and more with LEGO kits while exploring STEM principles. Projects are tailored to different age and skill levels to develop problem-solving and creative thinking. Robotics kits e.g. Lego Spike, EV3 will be used.
- Other Enrichment Activities: Includes Chinese arts & crafts (e.g., paper cutting, origami, Chinese knots), cooking, outdoor play, and field trips. Weather permitting, students will take park outings during cool morning hours.

3. Weekly Schedule

Each morning features Chinese instruction. Afternoon programs vary by week, for example:

- If your child joins Week 2, they will have Chinese in the morning and can choose English/Math/OLSAT, Dance, or Chess in the afternoon.
- If your child joins Week 5, they will have Chinese in the morning and can choose English/Math/OLSAT, Kids Drama, or Robotics in the afternoon.

Wee k	Dates	Morning	Afternoon (Option I)	Afternoon (Option II)	Afternoon (Option III)	
1	5/27–5/30 (4 days)		Jazz Drum	English/Math/OLSAT		
2	6/2–6/6		Dance (Recommended for Grade 2+)	Chess		
3	6/9–6/13		Dance (Recommended for Grade 2+)	Chess		
4	6/16–6/20		Dance (Recommended for K–2)	Robotics		
5	6/23–6/27	Chinese	Kids Drama	Robotics	English/Math	
6	6/30–7/3 (4 days, no class 7/4)		Dance (Recommended for K–2)	Art	/OLSAT	
7	7/7–7/11		Fun Science	Chess		
8	7/14–7/18		Kids Drama	Chess		
9	7/21–7/25		Dance (Recommended for Grade 2+)	Art		
10	7/28–8/1		Fun Science	Art		
11	8/4-8/8		Jazz Drum	Robotics		

4. Daily Schedule

Chinese / English / Math / OLSAT Track:

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:00–9:00 AM	Board games, crafts, morning exercise				
9:00-9:55 AM	Chinese Class				
9:55–10:45 AM	Park Outdoor Activities				

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
10:45–11:30 AM	Chinese Class				
11:30–12:15 PM	Chinese songs / crafts / cooking				
12:15–12:30 PM	Break, handwashing, prepare for lunch				
12:30-1:00 PM	Lunch				
1:00–2:00 PM	Free time, watch Chinese videos				
2:00-2:30 PM	English Reading/Writing				
2:30-3:10 PM	Reading/Writing	Math	Reading/Writing	OLSAT	Spelling & Book Club
3:10-3:20 PM	Snack & Break				
3:20-4:00 PM	Reading/Writing	Math	Reading/Writing	OLSAT	Spelling & Book Club
4:00–4:50 PM	Crafts, storytelling, board games, sports				
4:50–6:00 PM	Free time, watch Chinese videos				

Chinese + Jazz Drum / Chess / Art / Kids Drama / Dance / Fun Science / Robotics Track:

Time	Monday – Friday		
8:00-9:00 AM	Games, crafts, morning exercise		
9:00-9:55 AM	Chinese Class		
9:55–10:45 AM	Park Outdoor Activities		
10:45-11:30 AM	Chinese Class		
11:30–12:15 PM	Chinese songs / crafts / cooking		
12:15–12:30 PM	Break, handwashing, prepare for lunch		
12:30-1:00 PM	Lunch		
1:00-2:00 PM	Free time, watch Chinese videos		
2:00-5:00 PM	Jazz Drum (2:00–4:30) / Chess / Art / Fun Science / Kids Drama / Dance / Robotics		
5:00-6:00 PM	Pickup, free time, watch Chinese videos		

Note: The daily schedule may be adjusted based on the number of classes and classroom usage.

- Lunch: Bring your own or order group lunch through a vendor (individual lunch box; additional fee). Detailed lunch order information will be sent weekly (a week before the start of the session).
- Snacks & Drinks: Provided by the camp (please bring a labeled water bottle to avoid mix-ups).

Cancellation & Refund Policy:

- More than 10 business days before camp starts: Full refund including deposit.
- 5–10 business days before camp starts: \$20 cancellation fee will be charged.
- On or after the Thursday before camp starts: No cancellations, credits, or refunds. Full tuition is still due regardless of attendance.
- No exceptions to the cancellation policy.

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