

# 中文学校的认证

入主流教育系统  
创名牌中文学校

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# Accrediting Chinese Schools

- What is accreditation
- Why is accreditation important
- What is the application process
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- Questions and Answers

# What is accreditation

- The affirmation that a school provides a quality of education that the community has a right to expect and the education world endorses.
- A means of showing confidence in a school's performance.
  - When the Commission on Secondary Schools accredits a school, it certifies that the school has met the prescribed qualitative standards of the Middle States Association within the terms of the school's own stated philosophy and objectives.

# What is accreditation – cont.

- Chief purpose
  - the improvement of education for youth by evaluating the degree to which a school has attained worthwhile outcomes set by its own staff and community.
- Accomplished by
  - periodically conducting a comprehensive self-evaluation of the total school.
- Chief goal
  - to seek remedies for inadequacies and to identify and nurture good practices.

# What is accreditation – cont.

- Benefits
  - greater clarity of purpose
  - stronger internal relationships
  - wider professional participation
  - more effective methods of planning for school improvement
  - improved consistency between educational purpose and practice
- Protocol - Supplementary Education Organizations
  - Enhancing Student Performance (ESP Protocol)

# Why is accreditation important

- Encourages and facilitates school improvement...
- Provides a means for public accountability...
- Fosters stakeholder involvement and commitment...
- Builds positive public relations...

# What is the application process

Enhancing Student Performance (ESP Protocol)  
-Accreditation of Supplementary Education Organizations

YingHua Language School is proud to be  
the FIRST community-based language school accredited by CSS-MSA.



## Timeline for the Process

<a href="#">Official Notification of Accreditation</a>	11/30/2005
Accreditation Action and Decision	10/31/2005
Distribute <a href="#">Evaluation Report</a>	5/31/2005
Evaluation Team Visit	4/24/2005
Distribution of Self-Study and Planning Document	3/31/2005
Self-Study/Planning Processes Kick-off (see <a href="#">Flowchart of Events</a> )	12/1/2004
Approval of ESP Self-Study, Planning, and Evaluation Protocol	10/31/2004
Study of <a href="#">Standards for Supplementary Education Organizations</a> (15 pages)	Summer 2004
<a href="#">Candidacy Report</a> (13 pages) and Offer of Candidacy	5/26/2004
Candidacy Visit	5/16/2004
Candidacy Application	3/10/2004

# How to earn the accreditation

- Seven Standards

- Philosophy, Mission, Beliefs, and/or Objectives
- Governance, Leadership, and Planning
- Organizational Design and Staff
- Educational Programs and Materials
- Student Programs and Services
- Resources
- Assessment of Student Learning and Organizational Performance



# How to earn the accreditation – cont.

- Form committees
  - One steering committee
  - Ten subcommittees
- Self-study / Planning
  - 300-500 hours in total
- Evaluation Team Visit

# Questions and Answers

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- Hope to help more schools getting accreditation