



Peer Mentor Application Form
Chinese Immersion Summer Day Camps for Ohio Students
June 17 – 30, 2009 (and Peer Mentor Training on June 14)
 The Ohio State University K-12 Chinese Flagship Program

To apply for the Peer Mentor Program, you will need to provide the following:

- (1) Completed application form (below); and
- (2) One reference letter (see the Reference Form below).

1. Personal information

Name _____ Date of Birth ____ (D)/ ____ (M)/ ____ (Y)/

Place of Birth (City, State, Country) _____

Sex: Male ____ Female ____

Home Address _____

City _____ Zip Code _____ County _____

Telephone (home) _____ Cell Phone _____

E-mail address (Please print clearly) _____

Your current grade level at school: _____

Name and address of your school: _____

Your immigration status: U.S. citizen ____ Permanent Resident ____ Other ____

2. Language background

List any foreign language courses you have taken, including Chinese or Chinese Heritage School courses:

Course Title	School	Dates Taken	Credits Received

What do you consider to be your native language? _____

What language is spoken most frequently in your home? _____

Have you ever lived or studied in a country other than the U.S.? Yes ___ No ___

If yes, where and for how long? _____

3. Experience in teaching/tutoring Chinese language (Begin with current or most recent)

School	Dates	Materials Used	Levels Taught/Tutored

4. If you are not a native speaker of English, please fill out the following.

Evaluate your own ability in English according to the scale below. (Circle your response.)

	3 (High)	2 (Above average)	1 (Low)	X (unknown)
Ability to engage in daily conversation	3	2	1	X
Ability to communicate in a variety of situations	3	2	1	X
Ability to read newspapers, magazines	3	2	1	X
Ability to write effectively	3	2	1	X

5. If you are not a native speaker of Chinese, provide the following information.

Evaluate your own ability in Chinese according to the scale below. (Circle your response.)

	3 (High)	2 (Above average)	1 (Low)	X (unknown)
Ability to engage in daily conversation	3	2	1	X
Ability to communicate in a variety of situations	3	2	1	X
Ability to read newspapers and magazines	3	2	1	X
Ability to write effectively	3	2	1	X

6. Self-Evaluation: Please rate yourself by checking the appropriate box.

	Outstanding	Very good	Good	Fair
Motivation				
Maturity				
Ability to adapt to new & different environments				
Organization				
Ability to express yourself in English				
Ability to work independently				

7. Statement of Understanding

The OSU K-12 Chinese Flagship Program provides intensive Chinese Immersion Summer Day Camps (in the metro areas of Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus and Dayton) during June 17-30, 2009 at no cost to peer mentors, including food and materials. I understand that the peer mentor position requires a full-time commitment to help students learn Chinese during the above program period, with an hourly compensation to be determined at the time of interview. I further understand that my appointment as a peer mentor also

requires that I attend a one-day training on June 14, 2009. I fully understand the nature of this program and will abide by its requirements and guidelines. I also understand that submitting this application does not guarantee my recruitment into the program as a peer mentor.

Signature _____

Date _____

Parent's/guardian's signature _____

Date _____

8. Statement of Affirmation

I affirm that the information I have provided on this application form and any additional information I submit is complete, accurate, and true to the best of my knowledge. I understand that furnishing false or incomplete information on any part of this application material or other related materials may result in cancellation of admission as a peer mentor of the Summer Day Camp program.

Student's signature _____

Date _____

Parent/guardian's signature _____

Date _____

9. Reference Form

Please ask one person to fill out the reference for you using the form provided below. You should ask someone who can assess your ability to succeed as a peer mentor in Chinese language and culture (e.g., your teacher or employer). Family members may not provide this reference.

Name of Referee	Contact information (Phone # and Email Address)

If you are submitting the letter of reference yourself, make sure the referee sign across the seal of the envelope. Please fill out the top portion of the reference form before giving it to your referee.

Please mail or fax your completed application form to the following:

The Ohio State University
K-12 Chinese Flagship Program
Attn: Kun Shi
2941 Kenny Road, Suite 110
Columbus, OH 43221

Fax: 614-292-3194

Please note that priority will be given to applicants whose Application and Reference Forms are received on or before May 14 (Thursday), 2009. If you have questions, please send an email to shi.7@osu.edu. Because this year's StarTalk award is delayed, we will have to rush to complete the process to recruit teachers and peer mentors. Thank you for your understanding.



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TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANT

Applicant's Name: _____

The Family Educational and Privacy Act of 1974 opens many student records for the student's inspection. The law also permits the student to sign a waiver relinquishing his/her right to inspect letters of recommendation. Indicate below whether you waive this right. Check one of the spaces below.

I waive my right to view this reference.

I do not waive my right.

Signature _____ Date _____

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The above individual is applying to the Chinese Immersion Summer Day Camp as a peer mentor. This is a highly intensive program that will require motivation and discipline on the part of the student and will require that the applicant work as a peer mentor for non-heritage students studying in the intensive Chinese Immersion Summer Day Camp during June 17-30, 2009. Please consider these requirements as you fill out this reference form.

1. How long have you known the applicant and in what capacity?

2. Please rate the applicant in the following areas according to the scale below.

	5 (very high)	4 (high)	3 (average)	2 (low)	1 (minimal)	X (unknown)
Analytical ability	5	4	3	2	1	X
Creativity	5	4	3	2	1	X
Level of commitment	5	4	3	2	1	X
Patience	5	4	3	2	1	X
Discipline	5	4	3	2	1	X
Emotional stability	5	4	3	2	1	X

3. Please comment on the applicant's ability in Chinese and/or English depending on the context in which you know the applicant. Any additional comments that you can provide about the applicant would be greatly appreciated. If you prefer, you may attach an additional sheet with your comments.

Please return this form to the applicant in an envelope with your signature across the seal, **or** if you prefer, mail or fax it to the following:

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To be filled out by referee:

Your Name: _____

Title: _____

Affiliation: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____