



# WAUNAKEE

## COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL

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May 13, 2025

TO: Dr. Monica Kelsey-Brown

FROM: Mr. Brian Borowski

RE: 2025 Student Trip to China  
June 15-29, 2025

The Board of Education has approved Ms. Xiuping (Rosy) Zhu's proposal to move forward with plans for the 2025 China trip. Since receiving approval, Ms. Zhu has met with parents, guardians, and students to discuss the trip's itinerary, scheduled dates (June 15–29, 2025), and the estimated cost of \$6,000 per student.

During the trip, students will have the unique opportunity to live and learn as study abroad participants through the Micro Beijing Language and Culture University program. This immersive experience is designed to enhance cultural understanding and language acquisition in an authentic setting.

I hope you will join me in granting permission for Ms. Zhu, our high school students, and the chaperones with the opportunity to take part in this trip. Similar trips have been held in previous years and have proven to be the highlight of many World Language students' high school experience. The students have represented themselves, Waunakee Community High School, and the Waunakee Community School District in a positive manner.

Should this request be approved, I will request Ms. Zhu to be in contact with our School Resource Officer, Tanner Weber. Officer Weber would then meet with the participants prior to the trip to review safety precautions associated with traveling.

Please feel free to contact me or Ms. Zhu with any questions related to this request.

## **2025 Waunakee Community High School & WCCLC China Tour Itinerary**

June 15 (Sun) - Beijing

Flight Information: Depart from Chicago and fly to Beijing.

June 16 (Mon) - Beijing

- Morning: Arrive at Beijing Capital International Airport, where Beijing Language and Culture University advisors will greet the group and help with currency exchange and setting up mobile data packages.
- Lunch: Local Restaurant
- Afternoon: Check into the hotel and rest briefly. Visit Beijing Language and Culture University to experience its multicultural campus known as the "Mini United Nations."
- Evening: Enjoy a welcome dinner while advisors go over the itinerary and safety guidelines.

June 17 (Tue) - Beijing

- Morning: Chinese Language Class + Activities I
- Lunch: Local Restaurant
- Afternoon: Culture Experience: Chinese Tea Culture
- Evening: Savor an authentic Peking Duck dinner, renowned for its crispy skin and tender meat, and enjoy one of Beijing's most famous culinary traditions.

June 18 (Wed) - Beijing

- Morning: go to the National Museum or the Capital Museum to get close to the museums that represent the excellent traditional Chinese culture and the highest historical, cultural and artistic halls, or go to the Shou Bo if you can't get a reservation at the National Museum (depending on the summer ticket reservation situation).
- Lunch: Local Restaurant
- Afternoon: The Forbidden City or Qianmen and Jingshan Park, go to the Palace Museum, feel the Chinese history and culture, visit this world's largest existing, most well-preserved wooden structure of one of the ancient architecture of the world's five palaces of the world, such as booking does not go on the Forbidden City, go to the front gate and Jingshan Park (depending on the summer ticket reservation)

June 19 (Thu) - Beijing

- Morning & Afternoon: Badaling Great Wall Go to Badaling Great Wall to experience the majesty of China's great ancient defense architecture.
- Lunch: Local Restaurant

June 20 (Fri) - Beijing

- Morning: Chinese language lessons + classroom activities (II)
- Lunch: Local Restaurant or Dining Hall at campus
- Afternoon: Cultural Experience Class: Chinese Painting and Calligraphy

June 21 (Sat) - Beijing

- Morning: Chinese language lessons + classroom activities (III)
- Lunch: Local Restaurant or Dining Hall at campus
- Afternoon: Cultural Experience Class: Chinese Traditional Medicine Culture

June 22 (Sun) - Beijing

- Morning: Chinese language lessons + classroom activities (IV)
- Afternoon: to the Language Cooperation and Exchange Center of the Ministry of Education, to the Guozijian and Wudao ying Hutong, to the Guozijian, the highest academic institution, and to the Wudaoying Hutong at the end of the day, to experience the hutong culture of Beijing

June 23 (Mon) - Beijing

- Morning: Chinese language lessons + classroom activities (V)
- Lunch: Local Restaurant or Dining Hall at campus

- Afternoon: China Nonfiction Art Museum, Olympic Park District, Xin'ao Shopping Center

#### June 24 (Tue) - Beijing

- Morning: Beijing Zoo (Panda)
- Lunch: Local Restaurant or Dining Hall at campus
- Afternoon: Temple of Heaven, Hongqiao market

#### June 25 (Wed) - Xi'an

- Morning: Feel the speed of China by high-speed train, take the high-speed train to the ancient city of Xi'an, arrive at the hotel in Xi'an to check in, rest and recuperate
- Afternoon: Datang Nocturnal City Go to Yanta District, feel the elements of the Tang style of the flourishing Chang'an, experience the history of the thousand-year-old capital, in the "Datang Nocturnal City" "through" back to the Tang Dynasty, view the prosperity of the Tang Dynasty, enjoy the weather of the Tang Dynasty, and experience the prosperity of Chang'an in the crowd of people.

#### June 26 (Thu) - Xi'an

- Morning: Terracotta Warriors and Horses of Qin Shi Huang
- Afternoon: Huaqing Palace and Mount Li

#### June 27 (Fri) - Xi'an

- Morning: Shaanxi History Museum
- Lunch: Local Restaurant or Dining Hall at campus
- Afternoon: Hui Min Street

#### June 28 (Sat) – Xi'an

- Morning: Huaqing Palace and Mount Li
- Afternoon: Bell and Drum Tower

#### June 29 (Sun) - Xi'an

- Morning: Return to Beijing by high-speed train/plane. Transfer to airport and return to the U.S.

## **2025 Summer China Trip Rooster**

	<b>Gender</b>	<b>Grade</b>
<b>1. Ian Apps</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>2. Sora Gallagher</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>3. Luke Jorgensen</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>4. Meghan Murphy</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>5. Katelyn Vandeslunt</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>6. Sharon Ye</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>7. Stella Gabriel</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>8. Leela Krudop</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>11</b>