



SUPERINTENDENTS' DELEGATION TO CHINA

Board Update
July 23

DELEGATION

Purpose: Create partnerships with schools in China to expand opportunities for the ISD 742 Chinese Immersion program, learn about the Chinese education system and collaborate with MN delegation partners.

Cities Visited: Beijing, Hangzhou, Shanghai

Delegation Members:

1. Angela Mansfield: Deputy Commissioner, Minnesota Department of Education
2. Lilian Dang: Director, Confucius Institute at Minnetonka Public Schools
3. Daniel Bittman: Superintendent, Edina Public Schools
4. Laurie Putnam: Superintendent, St. Cloud Area School District
5. Steve Unowsky: Superintendent, Richfield Public Schools
6. Christine Osorio: Superintendent, North St. Paul-Maplewood-Oakdale School District
7. Allegra Smisek: Director, Perpich Center for Arts Education
8. Felicia Thames: Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Education, Eden Prairie Schools
9. Tracy Bowe: Executive Director of HR and Labor Relations, St. Cloud Area School District
10. Joey Wacker: Principal, Minnetonka Jing Shan Elementary School
11. Shawn Bromeland: Principal, North St. Paul-Maplewood-Oakdale School District
12. Karen Gabler: Board Chair, Edina Public Schools
13. Julie Bittman: Spouse of Superintendent, Edina Public Schools



BEIJING EDUCATION VISITS

Center for Language Education and Cooperation

Introductory meeting to share the importance of the Chinese language and linguistic knowledge

Chinese International Education Foundation

Introductory meeting giving background on the education system in China

Capital Normal University

College offering teacher preparation programs and teacher exchange

One of the two main sponsors of the trip

Beijing 21st Century School

K-12 private school seeking sister school partners



BEIJING CULTURAL VISITS





HANGZHOU EDUCATION VISITS

Greentown Yuhua Primary School
Offered in-depth student tours

AI and STEAM Conference

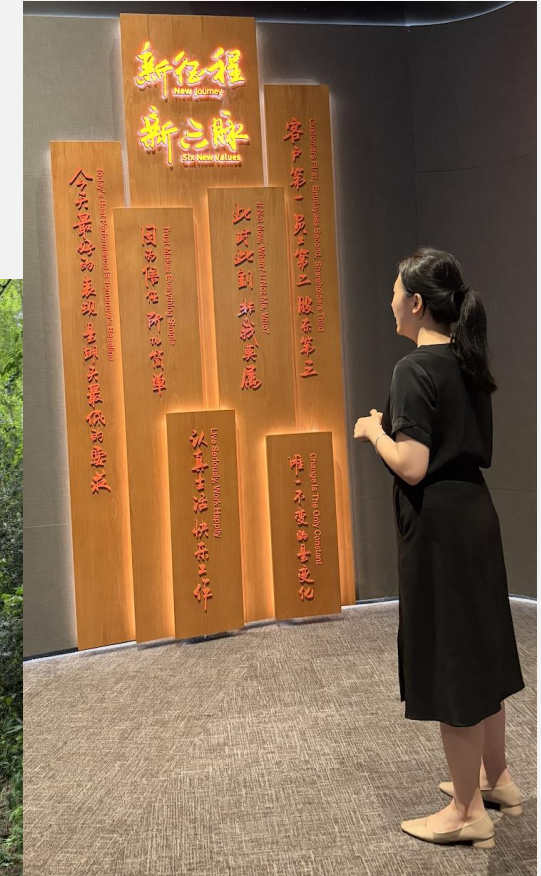
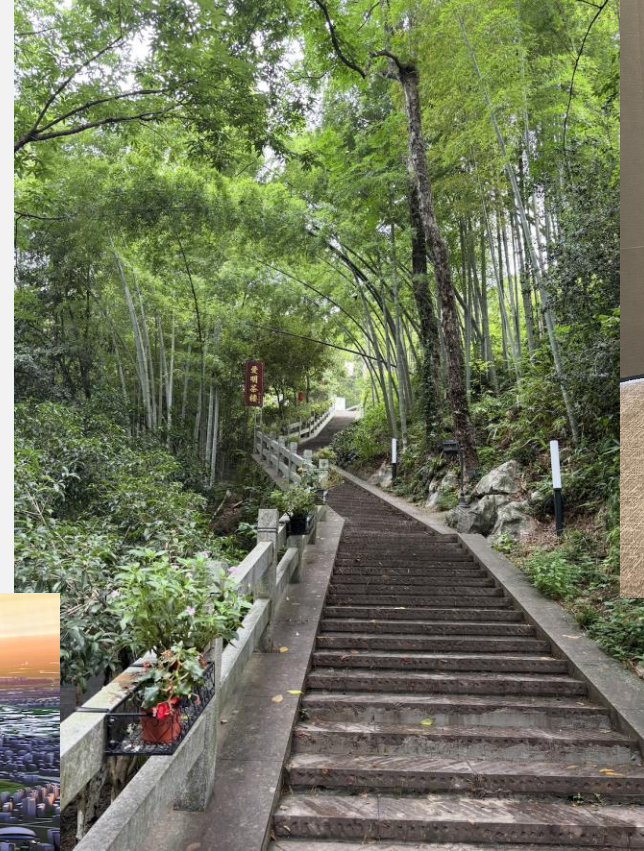
Hangzhou Foreign Languages School
Secondary school seeking sister school partners
One of the main sponsors of the trip





INTERNATIONAL AI AND STEAM EDUCATION SUMMIT

HANGZHOU CULTURAL VISITS



SHANGHAI EDUCATION VISITS

- International Education Association Shanghai
 - Team of public schools hoping to create American school partnerships
- UNESCO Teacher Education Center
 - International training site for teachers





SHANGHAI CULTURAL VISITS

NEXT STEPS

Late July meeting with MN Superintendents to develop shared resources and in-state conference for Chinese Immersion programming

Immersion Coordinator Onboarding

Immersion Family/Educator Advisory Groups Begin

Creation of Sister School Relationships

Pursue Exchange Programs and Homestays