

HongDe Elementary School 洪德中英文雙語小學 Mandarin/English Bilingual Program



Open for Registration

HongDe Elementary School is a Not-For-Profit Kindergarten-Grade 7 Independent School.

The Name HongDe can be translated as "Promoting virtue through learning traditional culture."

The purpose of the school is to provide an excellent education to learn about traditional Chinese and Western cultural values in addition to pomoting virtues, or character strengths, considered important for society.

The program is designed for English-speaking and Mandarin-speaking students to develop communication and literacy skills in both languages using the BC curriculum.

Coursework focuses not only on the application of languages to real life situations, but also on deepening an understanding of the cultural and spiritual aspects inherent in the languages.

Students are expected to adopt an open-minded view of different world cultural heritages in general, and to identify with the essence of the Chinese and Western heritages.

School Governance

Valerie Overgaard, BEd (UBC), MA (UVic), PhD (SFU). Former Associate Superintendent of Schools and District Principal for the Vancouver School Board.

Marv Westrom, BEd, MEd, PhD (UofA), Professor Emeritus, Faculty of Education, UBC.

Patrick Zhao, MSc, Education Administrator.









Why HongDe Bilingual School?

The earlier a child is introduced to a language, the greater the chances are that a child will become truly proficient in this language.

Our program:

- 1. Learn traditional Western and Chinese values, which include the cultivation of virtue, respect for elders and learning, diligence and propriety
- 2. BC Ministry of Education registered Not-For-Profit K-7 Independent School
- 3. Provides a Chinese/English bilingual education. Children who speak Mandarin have more opportunities
- 4. 40%/60% of the curriculum will be taught in Mandarin and English. Previous Chinese experience is not required and parents do not need to know the language
- 5. Small classes, multicultural
- 6. Our teachers have valid BC Teaching Certificates
- 7. Music, Dance, Visual Arts and Drama are taught by specialists in their field
- 8. Learn about traditional Chinese and Western cultures
- 9. The school founders are experienced educators
- 10. Teachers and staff develop close relationships with the children as they are warm, animated, and lively
- 11. School Bus Pick-Up and Drop-Off can be arranged
- 12. After school care program provided

Academic Programs

Mandarin/English Bilingual Program

Curriculum Taught in Mandarin

- Chinese Language Arts
- Arts Education (Dance, Music, Visual Arts, Drama are taught by specialists.)
- Physical and Health Education

Core Curriculum Taught in English

- English Language Arts
- Math
- Science
- Social Studies
- Career Education
- Applied Design, Skills and Technologies

Our Teachers

Our teachers have valid BC Teaching Certificates, and develop close relationships with the children. They are warm, animated, and lively, which helps create an effective learning environment.







School Bus Pick-Up and Drop-Off Cities

Vancouver • Richmond • Burnaby * Route subject to change as per school's discretion.

Route 1: South Burnaby -> Burnaby Library -> North Burnaby -> HongDe School

Route 2: Richmond (Landsdowne Centre) -> Vancouver West -> HongDe School

Registration and Admissions

Book an Appointment with the principal of the school to determine a personalized plan for your child's successful entry.

Early bird grant is available if registered by June 30, 2022

Call 604-416-0386 or visit HongDeSchool.ca 1035 Cambie Street, Vancouver, BC, V6B 5L7



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