

## Curriculum at a Glance

### Mandarin 3

Mandarin Chinese 3 will continue a careful progression of skill development that spirals and repeats from one level to the next. Students will develop speaking and listening skills within a classroom that focuses on immersion in the language as much as possible. Reading and writing in Chinese will progress more slowly due to the complexity of the written form. Student understanding of the building blocks of Chinese characters will be stressed over rote memorization, and calligraphy will be practiced to reinforce learning the characters. Student’s ability to function in a Chinese language environment will be of paramount importance in Mandarin Chinese III. The most important goal of this course will be to prepare students to function effectively in a Chinese language environment. The program goals of Mandarin Chinese III in Darien Public Schools are also aligned with the ACTFL national standards for teaching Chinese. The primary goal of Mandarin Chinese III is communication in Chinese. Students will be able to engage in conversations, provide and obtain information, express feelings and emotions, and exchange opinions in Chinese. Students will be able to understand and interpret written and spoken language on a variety of topics in Chinese. Students will also be able to present information, concepts, and ideas to an audience of listeners or readers on a variety of topics.

Unit Description	Content and/or Skills
<b>Dining</b> 1. Dining Out 2. Eating in a Cafeteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 1. Ask if there are seats available in a restaurant</li> <li>● 2. Order Chinese dishes</li> <li>● 3. Tell the waiter your dietary preferences and restrictions</li> <li>● 4. Ask the restaurant to recommend dishes</li> <li>● 5. Rush your order</li> <li>● 6. Pay for your meal</li> <li>● 7. Get the correct change after your payment</li> </ul>
<b>Asking Directions</b> 1. Where Are You Off To? 2. Going to Chinatown	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 1. Ask for and give directions</li> <li>● 2. Identify locations by using landmarks as references</li> <li>● 3. Describe whether two places are close to or far away from one another</li> <li>● 4. State where you are heading and the purpose of going there</li> </ul>
<b>Birthday Party</b> 1. Let’s Go to a Party! 2. Attending a Birthday Party	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 1. Ask a friend to go to a party with you</li> <li>● 2. Suggest things to take to a get-together</li> <li>● 3. Offer someone a ride and arrange a time and place to meet</li> <li>● 4. Thank people for their gifts</li> <li>● 5. Describe a duration of time</li> <li>● 6. Talk about the year of your birth and your Chinese zodiac sign</li> <li>● 7. Give a simple description of someone’s facial feature</li> </ul>
<b>Seeing a Doctor</b> 1. My Stomachache Is Killing Me! 2. Allergies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 1. Talk about basic symptoms of a cold</li> <li>● 2. Describe common symptoms of allergies</li> <li>● 3. Understand and repeat instructions on when and how often to take medications</li> <li>● 4. Talk about why you do or don’t want to see the doctor</li> <li>● 5. Urge others to see a doctor when they are not feeling well</li> </ul>
<b>Dating</b> 1. Seeing a Movie 2. Turning Down an Invitation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 1. Describe how long you’ve known someone</li> <li>● 2. Invite someone to go on a date</li> <li>● 3. Make the necessary arrangements to go out with friends</li> <li>● 4. Accept a date courteously</li> <li>● 5. Decline a date politely</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 6.End a phone conversation without hurting the other person's feelings</li> </ul>
<b>Renting an Apartment</b> 1.Finding a Better Place 2.Calling about an Apartment for Rent	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1.Describe your current and ideal living quarters</li> <li>• 2.Name common pieces of furniture</li> <li>• 3.State how long you have been living at your current residence</li> <li>• 4.Comment briefly on why a place is or isn't good for someone</li> <li>• 5.Discuss and negotiate rent, utilities, and security deposits</li> </ul>
<b>Sports</b> 1.My Gut Keeps Getting Bigger and Bigger! 2.Watching American Football	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1.Name some popular sports</li> <li>• 2.Talk about your exercise habits</li> <li>• 3.Discuss your feelings about various sports</li> <li>• 4.Make a simple comparison between how soccer and American football are played</li> </ul>