CAL U PREP

FALL 2022

A MESSAGE FROM OUR DIRECTOR



Welcome to our new school year! We are all busy preparing for another wonderful year! We are proud of our established traditions that have provided a wonderful education thousands for students during our 26 years. Our secret ingredients include an curriculum, fabulous amazing teachers and the ability to help students improve their English skills while learning the high school curriculum. We are excited to welcome students back on campus. Our hybrid approach to classes has worked beautifully. It has been a good solution for these unusual (pandemic) times. Some classes are taught in person and others are via Zoom.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2022 GRADS



We are very proud of our 2022 Graduates! Our grads are focused on preparing themselves to solve world problems. Their specific interests include contributing to solving world hunger, global supply chain economics, worldwide education issues, and remaining open to areas of interest that they are presented with at their universities. They are prepared to face the challenges and rigorous education their universities will provide. Our 2022 graduates have been accepted to UC Davis, Cal Poly Pomona, UC Riverside, UC Santa Cruz, Cal State Los Angeles, Cal State Fullerton, Taylor Univ., San Diego State, etc.

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!



Many thanks to everyone on the CUPS team! We appreciate all of our Teachers, Admissions Staff, Office Staff, Board of Directors, Homestay Families, Families of Students, Alumni, and Community Service Mentors. All of you contribute to our school in important ways. We appreciate you!

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COMMUNITY SERVICE-WHY IS IT IMPORTANT?

Over the past 20 years, we have had many university admissions representatives come to our school assemblies. They have described the admissions process and some of the top universities have said that if Seniors do not have Community Service hours, they will not be considered for admission. American universities want to know that you are an excellent student but they also want to know what kind of person you are. If you need help arranging your 2022-2023 Community Service hours, please see Mr. John for assistance. Our previous community service locations have included local food banks, the California Science Center, animal shelters, homeless shelters/centers, organizing activities and parties at a senior citizen center, churches and projects at our school. Our Honor Society and Student Council have also been very active with community service projects.



Leadership Opportunities at CUPS

There are many opportunities for students to learn leadership skills. Clubs and activities will form during the month of September and elections will be held at the end of September. Students are encouraged to watch the Daily Bulletin for important deadlines and elections.

Q and A for Career Explorations

We are excited to offer our students a new way to learn about different careers. Students will be able to meet with various professionals to have a Q & A (question and answer) time. This will allow students to learn more about careers they are interested in exploring. Some of these will be in person and others will be held over Zoom. Zoom allows us to reach professionals all over the world.

21st Century Skills

CUPS continues to make sure that all students are learning the content for each class, improving their English and having opportunities to learn problem solving, collaboration, critical thinking skills, and communication skills. Universities expect students to have those skills on Day One!

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100 Adorable Children on Campus

Summer campus visitors were surprised to see 100 adorable children (ages 6-14) who were attending a fun and educational summer camp! The American Chinese School students learned Chinese, Science, Math, Reading, Writing, Sports, Chess and strategy board games. We grew very fond of their enthusiasm and zest for learning and life!





SEVP and SEVIS

CUPS continues to have a solid relationship with SEVP. We appreciate our long term (26 years) relationship with them. SEVIS stands for Student and Exchange Visitor Information System. This system is part of the Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP). All of this is part of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. What are SEVP certified schools? A SEVP-certified school is a college, university, seminary, conservatory, high school, private elementary school, private middle school, other academic or vocational institution, or language training program in the United States that has applied for and received certification to enroll F and/or M nonimmigrant students.

CUPS Advantages

Many American universities welcome international students into their schools. Our students have many advantages over the students who are coming directly from their home country. Our students live with American families and have the opportunity to gradually learn about the American culture and assimilate into the culture. They do not experience "culture shock" like most international freshmen students. Some research has found that 85% of international freshmen students experience culture shock. It is a major reason for students dropping out of school. Also, our students have had the experience of living away from home in a safe and happy homestay. Our students also learn how to collaborate which is a skill that is often overlooked in other countries but required at every American university. We know that our students are prepared to be accepted at great universities and be successful when they get there!

COVID Policies

Our Covid Policies follow guidelines by local, state and national officials. We require periodic testing, screening for symptoms and mandatory isolation for positive results. We also follow mask guidelines and do training to inform students about best ways to clean their hands and avoid exposure. We have had excellent success with these measures.