

NORTHWEST CHINA COUNCIL CHINESE LANGUAGE CLASSES Spring 2026

The China Council is offering 10 weeks of Mandarin Chinese language classes in Spring 2026 for students of all ability levels. Classes are small, fun, with lots of speaking and individual attention. Students learn the phonetic Pinyin writing system and Chinese characters (including handwriting and computer typing using the Chinese Pinyin input method). For intermediate students, classes aim to develop advanced Chinese language proficiency. Chinese culture is introduced at all levels. Willow Zheng, a native Mandarin speaker with 27 years of experience teaching Mandarin as a second language, teaches all classes. Except where necessary (at the beginning), classes are conducted in Mandarin, which is very beneficial for listening comprehension. We use the ACTFL Proficiency Guidelines, to help students use language in the real world, and we discuss Chinese culture and customs in our classes for students planning to travel to Mandarin Chinese speaking countries.

Classes are via Zoom meetings

Integrated-Chinese-3rd-edition Textbooks, workbooks, character workbooks, and CDs are available for purchase online (e.g., cheng-tsui.com, amazon.com, powells.com)

Email the teacher Willow Zheng (nwchina@yahoo.com) or the NWCC Office (info@nwchina.org) if you have any questions or to register for a class. For more information, or to register, please visit: www.nwchina.org

Foundations of Mandarin -- Thursdays, April 9 – June 11, 7:00- 8:30 PM

This class is for students with no previous Chinese learning experience. Students learn Chinese pinyin phonetic system, character recognition, writing, and pronunciation; class focus is on establishing good speaking habits, using correct tones, and carrying on basic conversation. We also focus on beginning character recognition, writing and typing Chinese characters using the computer. The theme of the class: Greetings; simple introduction, family, using numbers, and inviting someone to dinner. Text: Integrated Chinese, Level I, Part I. Class starts with Introduction

Beginning Mandarin I – Mondays, April 6 – June 8, 7:00-8:30 PM

Class is for students who have basic knowledge of the Chinese pinyin phonetic system, character writing, and pronunciation. Class starts with review -Level I Part One Review lesson 3.

Beginning Mandarin II – Tuesdays, April 7 – June 9, 5:15-6:45 PM

Class is for students who have basic knowledge of the Chinese pinyin phonetic system, character writing, and pronunciation. Class starts with review -Level I Part One Review and lesson 7.

Beginning Mandarin III – Mondays, April 6 – June 8, 5:15-6:45 PM

Class is for students who have basic knowledge of the Chinese pinyin phonetic system, character writing, and pronunciation. Class starts with review -Level I Part One Review and lesson 10.

Intermediate Mandarin I – Tuesdays, April 7 – June 9, 7:00-8:30 PM

Class is for students who have an intermediate level of knowledge in listening, speaking, correct pronunciation, and character writing / typing. Class starts with review -Level I Part Two Review and lesson 12.

Intermediate Mandarin II – Thursdays, April 2 – June 4, 5:00-6:30 PM

Class is for students who have an intermediate level of knowledge in listening, speaking in correct pronunciation, and character writing typing; Text: Integrated Chinese, Level II Part One, Class starts with review lesson 4.

Advanced Mandarin--- Mondays, April 6 – June 8, 3:30 – 5:00 PM

Class is for students who have advanced skill in listening, speaking in good pronunciation, conversation and character writing. Text: Integrated Chinese, Level II, Part One. Class start with review -Lesson 10

For questions about the textbook for new students, contact Willow.

Class starts with a review and continues from where you stopped in Winter 2026 for returning students.

PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED.

The cost of Spring 2026 classes is \$180. Late payment, please add \$25. (Payment received before 9AM of your first class will count as Pre-registration).

Membership in the Northwest China Council is required to register for classes. One-year Membership is \$50 for individuals, \$75 for families, and \$10 for full-time students with ID. Corporate memberships are also welcome!

CANCELLATION POLICY: Full refund, less \$35 cancellation charge, up to and including the day after the first-class session at 5 PM. No refunds thereafter. Beginner's class only

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Spring 2026 中文课 Registration Form

Name _____ E-mail _____

Address _____ Phone _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Please register me/us for the following:

_____ Foundations of Mandarin ---Thursdays, 7:00 – 8:30 PM

_____ Beginning Mandarin I --- Mondays, 7:00 – 8:30 PM

_____ Beginning Mandarin II --- Tuesdays, 5:15 – 6:45 PM

_____ Beginning Mandarin III --- Mondays, 5:15 - 6:45 PM

_____ Intermediate Mandarin I--- Tuesdays, 7:00 -8:30 PM

_____ Intermediate Mandarin II --- Thursdays, 5:00-6:30 PM

_____ Advanced Mandarin --- Mondays, 3:30 – 5:00 PM

Textbook: Integrated Chinese Level I, Part I Text Book, Work Book, CD (**3rd edition**)

Registration fee:

Class \$ _____ Late Fee \$ _____ (\$25 if registering late)

Membership in Northwest China Council \$ _____

Total \$ _____

Please register and pay on-line at nwchina.org/2026-spring-language-classes

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