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Karen Kodama

A FOUNDING DIRECTOR OF THE CONFUCIUS INSTITUTE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON



Karen Kodama

Seattle Public Schools, International
Education Administrator (retired)

Co-Director of the Confucius Institute of
the State of Washington **2010-2014**





Karen Kodama

Through her vision and leadership, Karen expanded opportunities for teaching and learning Chinese language and culture and nurtured partnerships with China and communities throughout Washington state.



Sharing Chinese Culture and Language

Karen supported the development of programs such as Community Chinese Corner at the Seattle Chinese Garden, organized by CIWA Chinese Director Tang Changping.



Professional Development
Karen coached students in Chinese language classes in Seattle Public Schools and mentored visiting teachers from China.

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Bù ài Kínghōn jīn yuán
八大方言很有名。
Jiùbāi wàn wàn píngfāng gōnglǐ dì.
九百六十万平方公里土地。
Shí sān yì Zhōngguó rén měi rì de jiā.
是十三亿中国人每天的家。
It features beautiful photos of Chinese people's beautiful homes.

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Fireworks!!!





Producing a Documentary for Hanban

Karen worked tirelessly with Michele Aoki, from OSPI, Deng Bo, CIWA UW Chinese Director, and Reel Grrls to create a video celebrating the 10th anniversary of Confucius Institutes.





Working Collaboratively

At the 4th Anniversary Celebration of the Confucius Institute of the State of Washington, Karen helped present UW Chinese Bridge Competition Awards and stood among the distinguished board members, fellow directors, and community dignitaries.





Dignity, Grace and Humor
Hosting CIWA's 4th Anniversary Celebration, Karen displayed both her impeccable professionalism and genuine good nature.







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Observation and Leadership

Karen spent hours working to enrich Seattle Public Schools programs with Chinese culture and language learning and collaborated with principals, teachers, and CIWA's Chinese Director for K-12, Wang Wenqiu, from Chongqing.





Chinese Visitors

Karen participated in hosting 5th Grade students at Beacon Hill International School from their sister school in Chongqing, China.



Headquarters

Karen supervised the opening of the Confucius Institute Education Center at Chief Sealth International High School. It's become a resource center for Chinese language learning.



Confucius Institute Day September 27, 2014

The Seattle Chinese Girls Drill Team marched down the halls of Chief Sealth International High School for a major celebration of Confucius Institutes worldwide and highlighted Washington's own cultural riches.



Students Become Proficient

Through programs Karen helped develop and oversee, students have become proficient in Chinese language and earned opportunities to travel to China to experience, first hand, the language and culture.



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CIWA directors in April 2014, left to right:
Wang Wenqiu, Michele Anciaux Aoki, Karen
Kodama, Jeffrey Riedinger, and Deng Bo.

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