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# SHARING CHINESE CULTURE

THROUGH CIWA'S CONFUCIUS CLASSROOMS

### Sharing Chinese Culture Through CIWA's Confucius Classrooms

This book features three Confucius Classrooms sponsored by the Confucius Institute of the State of Washington(CIWA). All three officially opened during CIWA's 6th Anniversary Celebration, in April 2016.

Happy Valley Elementary School in Bellingham School District welcomed its first visiting teacher from sister school Xiejiawan Primary School in Chongqing, China, during the 2014-2015 school term and welcomed new teachers each year since. In fall 2017, the school hosted "Confucius Institute Day" with select performers and student presentations. Each winter the visiting teacher helps the school celebrate Chinese Lunar New Year and the Lantern Festival, which are important cultural and community events in China.

Skyline High School in Sammamish School District gives students and community members unprecedented access to Chinese language studies, cultural events and friendship-building opportunities with Chinese students and teachers. A highlight of this programs integrates Chinese with STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) education. This enables students to use language and newly acquired perspectives as they learn 21st century skills and technology. Their sister school in Chongqing is Yubei Secondary School.

Chief Sealth International High School in Seattle School District has hosted the Confucius Institute Education Center since 2010, but became a Confucius Classroom in its own right in 2016. The school continues to engage students and community in Chinese language and culture. It is a hub of activity and example of an enduring commitment to share and develop Chinese literacy and to nurture global citizenship and leadership. Chief Sealth's sister school in Chongging is Nankai Secondary School.



2 Unveiling at 6th CIWA Anniversary Celebration officially opened Happy Valley Confucius Classroom, Bellingham School District.









This visiting teacher has a wonderful rapport with K-5 elementary students.







Skyline High School, Sammamish School District, opened with this unveiling.















Skyline students practice their shadow puppet show for fellow students to enjoy.



Chief Sealth International High School, Seattle School District, opened its Confucius Classroom upon this unveiling.

# TEA MAKING PROCEDURE:

#### The first step: set up tea sets

The second step: Raising the temperature of the tea sets with boiling water, and at the same time, the purpose of disinfection is achieved.

The third step: take half of the Little Orange Pu'er's a, and then add some palace Pu'er. The fourth step: wake up the tea once, then smeller frangrence. The fifth step: add some boiling water, making to The sixth step: out of the soup. Pour out the tea sou The seventh step: tea division. It is best to fill every

The eighth step: smell the aroma of tea.

The ninth step: tasting tea. Pay attention to the posture o. men and women are different. A cup of tea should finishe in one mouthful. e hands, and the can't be finished



Students at Chief Sealth International High School Confucius Classroom enjoy learning Chinese tea traditions.



Visiting teacher from China(name) assists students with tea making process.





Lecturer from Chongquing (name) demonstrates tea making technique in the Confucius Classroom.





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