



HUDSONVILLE HIGH SCHOOL COURSE FRAMEWORK



COURSE/SUBJECT

EXPLORING CHINESE CULTURE

KEY COURSE OBJECTIVES/ ENDURING UNDERSTANDINGS	UNIT PACING	UNIT LEARNING TARGETS	STANDARDS - STATE OF MICHIGAN
Important ideas and core processes	Intro Week (1 week)	Students will be able to locate and describe the major cities and most notable provinces of China, as well as important rivers and mountain ranges.	2.2.M.G.a 2.2.M.G.b 2.2.M.G.c 2.2.M.G.d 2.1.M.H.e
Students will gain a thorough understanding of a wide range of aspects of Chinese culture. These include topics related to history, geography, holidays, the Arts, famous figures, and popular culture. (The course is taught in English and requires no prior knowledge of Chinese.)	Geography of China (2 weeks)	Students will be able to name and discuss the most significant historical figures and time periods from Chinese history.	2.1.M.H.a 2.1.M.H.b 2.1.M.H.c 2.1.M.H.d
OVERARCHING/ESSENTIAL SKILLS OR QUESTIONS Ideas/skills that transcend discipline-specific learning	Historical Figures and Time Periods (2 weeks)	Students will be able to name and describe the major religions, philosophies, and beliefs of China as well as traditional and modern-day cultural practices.	2.1.M.E.a 2.1.M.F.a 2.1.M.F.b 2.2.M.C.b
Students will be researching and creating 10-minute presentations every two weeks. It is hoped that students will thus develop important research and presentation skills. Furthermore, when students are listening to the presentations of others, note-taking skills take on great importance.	Beliefs and Cultural Practices (2 weeks)	Students will be able to identify and discuss China's major holidays. Students will also become familiar with the cuisines of China and the most important branches of the Arts.	2.2.M.F.b 2.2.M.F.d 2.1.M.F.e
	Holidays, Food, the Arts (2 weeks)	Students will be able to assess the value of visiting various places of interest. They will also become familiar with transportation systems as well as dining and lodging possibilities for travelers.	2.1.M.F.c 2.1.M.F.d 2.2.M.G.d 2.2.M.E.b 2.2.M.E.c
	Plan a Trip to China (2 weeks)	Students will benefit from a review of the major topics presented in the course in preparation for the final.	
	Wrap-Up Week		