

EASTERN CHINESE LANGUAGE SCHOOL

Admission Guide 2021

I. Introduction

Eastern Chinese Language School Inc., founded in 1993, is a community language school registered under the Australian Associations Incorporation Act. (Registration No.: A0044328U). The school has obtained the authorization from VCAA to provide VCE LOTE Chinese (Authorization No.: VCAA1868).

In the last 20 years, our students have achieved excellent results in VCE Chinese exams and a good amount of FL, SL and SLA students have obtained the scores of 40+.

ECLS locates in the suburb of Doncaster where local Chinese community members observe the tradition of taking good care of their children's education and well-beings, which in turn encouraging a sound learning environment in the school.

Currently the school is offering Chinese language classes from Early Learning, Prep to VCE (including VCE prep, FL, SL, SLA, Chinese Language, Culture and Society) taught by the teachers with rich teaching experience both in Australia and China and passion in Chinese language education. All the teachers, staff and volunteers hold active Working With Children Check or VIT and have learnt and signed child safety related documents.

ECLS would keep on improving her teaching quality and upgrading her teaching facilities, presenting a brand-new look in the future.

II. Admission Process

1. Student Registration

- 1) All enrolling students are required to fill in the Student Information Form which would be submitted to the Department of Education and Training by the school.
- 2) All the enrolled students (after paying tuition and registration fees) are given access to classrooms.
- 3) The school provides free textbooks for enrolled students (additional fee will apply if original copies are lost).

2. Discount Policies

- 1) Discounts apply for students who paid off full-year tuition fees by December 24th, 2020. (Please refer to *2021 Admission Guide*)
- 2) The third enrolled child of a family receives 50% discount of tuition fee (plus registration fee to be paid once ONLY) if paid off full-year.
- 3) All Chinese-origin children adopted by Australian families are exempted from paying tuition fees (except for VCE tuition fees). Only registration fee needs to be paid once.
- 4) Children of ECLS current teachers receive 50% discount of tuition fee (plus registration fee to be paid once ONLY) if paid off full-year.
- 5) Children of ECLS retired teachers receive 30% discount of tuition fee (plus registration fee to be paid once ONLY) if paid off full-year.

- 6) Children of ECLS alumni receive 30% discount of tuition fee (plus registration fee to be paid once ONLY) if paid off full-year (Graduate Certificate required).
 - 7) Early-learning class is tuition-free. Only registration fee needs to be paid per semester.
- Note: Discount applies ONCE only.

3. Refund Policies

- 1) If enrolled and paid students need to drop out the semester, refund can be made within the first three weeks of Term 1 for Semester 1 or the first three weeks of Term 3 for Semester 2.
- 2) A processing fee of \$20 and the tuition fee of the weeks taken will be deducted from the refund payment. Registration fee is not refundable at any time. Special refund issues are to be resolved with responsible campus manager.
- 3) Requests for dropout or credit transfer must be approved by responsible campus principals.
- 4) All refund application must be submitted in written forms (with a copy of payment receipt) either by post or through email to the responsible campus manager. Once the relevant information is confirmed, the cheque of refund payment would be sent out within 10 business days after the application.

E-mail Address: admin@eclschool.vic.edu.au

Phone: 0415 639 198 (Ms Ding)

III. Methods of Payment

Parents are encouraged to make the payment online through online bank transfer.

Bank Transfer	Bank Name: Commonwealth Bank of Australia	Account Name: Eastern Chinese Language School	BSB: 063 254	Account Number: 10123295
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Please provide payment confirmation with payment notice including the following information: student ID (existing student), 2020 class and student's Pinyin name on passport, for example: E10400 3A Joan Wang. For new students, after providing the information above, they are also required to send a completed Student Enrolment Form (can be downloaded from <https://eclschool.vic.edu.au/download/>) to admin@eclschool.vic.edu.au.

Onsite reception is for new students. Payments can be made by cheque, debit card, credit card or UNIPAY (conditions apply). If you pay by debit card, no surcharge applies. If you pay by credit card or UNIPAY (America Express is not acceptable), 1.5% surcharge applies. Cash-free payment applies this year.

If you pay by cheque, please include your cheque (payable to: Eastern Chinese Language School) and the completed Student Enrollment Form (can be downloaded from <https://eclschool.vic.edu.au/download/>) in an envelope and post it to: Eastern Chinese Language School, PO Box 5042, Pinewood Vic 3149.

IV. 2021 School Calendar

Semester One	<u>Term 1</u> <u>(9 weeks)</u>	31 Jan, 2021 - 27 March, 2021
	<u>Term 2</u> <u>(8 weeks)</u>	24 April, 2021 – 12 June, 2021

Semester Two	<u>Term 3</u> <u>(9 weeks)</u>	17 July, 2021 – 11 September, 2021
	<u>Term 4</u> <u>(9 weeks)</u>	9 October, 2021 – 4 December, 2021

Class Time

Saturdays ¹

Morning Chinese Class

9:30 am – 12:15 pm

Afternoon Chinese Class

1:15 pm – 4:00 pm

Afternoon Chinese Culture Program ²

1:15 pm – 4:00 pm

Notes:

- Chinese prep, Grade 1-9 Chinese classes are available both in the morning and afternoon. Year 10, VCE 11 and 12 classes are available in the afternoon. Class time is 9:30am – 12:15pm, 1:15pm – 4:00pm. VCE 12 FL classes are available on Sunday afternoon 2pm-5pm. Details see below Courses & Costs.**
- Chinese Culture Program offers Chinese traditional maths, traditional culture and customs and traditional arts classes etc (three sessions in total). Class time is 1:15pm – 4:00pm. The detailed course offering is based on the requirements of students and teachers on specific campuses. You could select 2 sessions or 3 sessions.**

V. Rules and Regulations

- The school observes the rules and regulations framed by the Department of Education and Training including those of Child Safety Standards.
- Students observe the regulations framed by the school, protect the school's reputation and intellectual properties and take the responsibility for the damages caused by themselves.
- Within school terms, students are not allowed to enter the campus without the company of adults before 9:10am.
- Without permission, students cannot leave school for shopping or go home during school time.

5. During class time, students are not allowed to use mobile phones; Without permission of class teachers, students are not allowed to use tablets in class.
6. Students are not suggested to bring any valuable items to school. They would take full responsibilities for any loss or damage.
7. Early collection is only accepted with written confirmation from the Chinese Office after completing the Student Early Collection Form.
8. All the students not being collected 15 minutes after class would be sent to the Chinese Office on campus.
9. Parents need to provide written authorization for other guardians or friends to collect their children if they are not able to do so themselves.
10. All the campuses are NUTS-FREE and EGGS-FREE due to food allergic concerns.
11. The school takes no responsibility for any students who breach the rules mentioned above. If any students breach the regulations above, they may receive suspension/expulsion considering the seriousness of the conduct.

Note: Details of *Students Regulations, Reward and Punishments, Student Collection Policy, Student Attendance Policy, Behaviour Management Policy, Anti-bullying Policy* and *Cyber Safety Policy*, etc can be found at <https://eclschool.vic.edu.au/policies/>.

VI. Chinese Courses (EL, Prep, Grade 1-9)

Courses	Requirements	Contents
Early-Learning (Parent Accompany Required)	Children Aged 3-4	Morning class: 9:30am-12:15pm, Afternoon class: 1:15pm-4pm Children are immersed in a Chinese-speaking environment through various activities to culture a sense for the language. The curriculum is based on <i>Victorian Early Years Learning and Development Framework</i> . Taught by qualified early childhood education teachers.
Chinese Prep	Children Aged 4-5	Morning Chinese class: 9:30am-12:15pm Afternoon Chinese class: 1:15pm-4pm Afternoon Chinese culture class: 1:15pm-4pm The curriculum is based on <i>Victorian Early Years Learning and Development Framework</i> . Drawing, singing and handicraft making are supplemented in class teaching. Taught by qualified early childhood education teachers.
Grade 1-3	Children Aged 5+	Morning Chinese class: 9:30am-12:15pm Afternoon Chinese class: 1:15pm-4pm Afternoon Chinese culture class: 1:15pm-4pm Classes are mainly taught in Chinese. Teachers may explain in English to help students understand the instruction. Book 1-3 of the Chinese textbook series <i>Chinese</i> are used. There would be a balanced focus on reading, writing, listening and speaking to cultivate a good learning habit and an interest in Chinese for students. The Chinese Culture Program is a special program provided by XJS to get students familiar with Chinese culture and arts, while strengthen their listening and speaking at the same time. Taught by teachers experienced in Australian and Chinese primary school education.
Grade 4-9 (Including Advanced Chinese Class)	Primary & Middle School Students with a certain level of Chinese fluency. Placement tests are available for class/level selection.	Morning class: 9:30am-12:15pm, Afternoon class: 1:15pm-4pm Classes are focused on Chinese reading and writing to fortify students' oral and written skills. Book 4-9 of the Chinese textbook series <i>Chinese</i> are used. More intensive speaking and writing exercise are provided for students over Grade 7. The school provides Advanced Chinese Class to meet the demand of students with higher Chinese levels. Textbooks are the middle school version of the <i>Chinese</i> series. Each grade is taught by experienced teachers with both Chinese and Australian teaching backgrounds.

VII. VCE Chinese Programs

ECLS has obtained the authorization from VCAA to provide VCE LOTE Chinese (Authorization No.: VCAA1868) including VCE Chinese as First Language (FL), Chinese as Second Language (SL) and Chinese as Second Language Advance (SLA) and Chinese Language, Culture and Society programs. Students can be enrolled at ECLS for VCE purpose or just join the VCE coaching program at ECLS.

In the last 20 years, our students have achieved excellent results in VCE Chinese exams and a good amount of FL, SL and SLA students have obtained scores of 40+.

Courses	Requirements	Contents
Grade 10 (VCE Chinese Prep)	Grade 9 & 10 students in 2021 with acceptable Chinese proficiency.	Textbooks and supplementary materials are well-chosen and designed preparing students for later VCE studies. The course provides students with knowledge basic and essential to further VCE Chinese studies. Taught by teachers qualified and experienced in VCE Chinese education.

VCE Chinese G11, G12	Grade 10, 11, 12 students in 2021 with acceptable Chinese proficiency.	The school provides Chinese First Language (FL), Chinese Second Language (SL), Chinese Second Language Advanced (SLA) and Chinese Language, Culture and Society courses based on relevant regulations of VCAA. Textbooks and supplementary materials are well-chosen and designed according to the VCE Chinese Syllabus as well as the test requirement. The course provides students with essential reference materials and tailored training to fully prepare them for the test. Taught by teachers qualified and experienced in VCE Chinese education.
Chinese Language, Culture and Society	Grade 9-11 students in 2021 with interest in Chinese culture and acceptable Chinese proficiency.	The program is a new VCE Chinese course approved by VCAA. Based on the VCAA curriculum, the course is supplemented with VCAA specified literature and relevant teaching resources and taught by experienced VCE Chinese teachers.

VIII. Costs

	Half Year		Full-Year Pay-Off	EARLY BIRD (Before 2020.12.24)	Current Teacher's Child/Third Child (FYPO)	Retired Teacher's Child/ Alumni (FYPO)
	Tuition	Registration		Full-Year Pay-Off		
Early Learning	-	\$90	\$180	-	\$90	\$90
Foundation	\$240	\$90	\$660	\$530 (\$130 OFF)	\$330	\$426
Grade 1-3 (Chinese)	\$240	\$90	\$660	\$530 (\$130 OFF)	\$330	\$426
EL, Grade 1-3 (2 Chinese culture lessons)	\$160	-	\$320	\$300 (\$20 OFF)	\$160	\$224
EL, Grade 1-3 (3 Chinese culture lessons)	\$240	-	\$480	\$440 (\$40 OFF)	\$240	\$336
Grade 4-9	\$240	\$90	\$660	\$530 (\$130 OFF)	\$330	\$426
Grade 10 (VCE Prep)	\$240	\$160	\$800	\$640 (\$160 OFF)	-	-
VCE 11	\$360	\$160	\$1,040	\$880 (\$160 OFF)	-	-
V11 (Overseas students)	\$440	\$160	\$1,200	\$1,040 (\$160 OFF)	-	-
VCE 12	\$440	\$160	\$1,200	\$1,040 (\$160 OFF)	-	-
V12 (Overseas students)	\$510	\$160	\$1,340	\$1,180 (\$160 OFF)	-	-
Chinese Language, Culture and Society	\$360	\$160	\$1,040	\$880 (\$160 OFF)	\$520	\$664

IX. Parent/Guardian Complaint Procedure

A complete Parent/Guardian complaint procedure is available based on the requirements of the Department of Education and Training. More details are available on our website at <https://eclschool.vic.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/2019/10/Parent-Complaints-Procedure.pdf>.

For further enquiry about the 2021 admission, please feel free to contact us on (03) 9888 1688 or admin@eclschool.vic.edu.au

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