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Dear Students and Parents:

I hope that everyone had a great summer! I certainly had lot of fun going with our Youth Leadership Development Program (YLDP) this summer. This is our sixth (6th) year conducting this hugely successful YLDP program with two delegations, one to Suzhou and the other to Chengdu. The Chengdu group had 31 youth participants! YLDP provides high school students opportunities to develop presentation, organization and social skills. At the same time, participants get unique visibility to China by working side by side with local teachers, students, and local historical/other significant site visits. Last summer, we also had two delegations, one to Suzhou, and the other to Zhengzhou. Over the years, this program has been overwhelmingly received and has offered participants unforgettable experiences that benefit their overall skills as a person and their future college careers. Through this program, we encourage students to get involved in volunteering and community service. Fenghua Academy is the first school that started this YLDP summer program and it is still the only one who does this and does it successfully, not only in the Chicago area, but also in the entire United States. How can we continue to do this? The key is that we focus on this community and our children with tremendous support of the families! We are looking forward to more success of the YLDP in coming years!

At Fenghua Academy, we continue look for academic curriculum improvements, i.e., what areas we can do more to provide our children more opportunities for academic skill enhancements. Such opportunities should go side by side with their regular school performance and future college planning. With this goal in mind, last semester, we added English (SAT/ACT) Writing class and ACT Science Class. This coming semester, we are adding the following classes: Abacus Mind Math (珠心算) for children at 4 and 5 years old; Math Count (数学竞赛) class for middle school students; Aerobic (健美操) Dance for men and women. We have extraordinary teachers for these classes lined up. Ms. Zhang Fei for (珠心算) has a lot of experience in this field. Students will need an abacus to participate in this class. Mr. Li Wei, an excellent graduate from Tsing Hua University (清华), has real good plan on how to teach the Math Count class. The goal is to learn in fun. Ms. Lucy Yang, a native Yunnan (云南) girl, is a Chicago area star in all athletic fields, dance, golf, tennis and ping-pong. Her goal is to get the women and men in good shape and great health through these elegant aerobic moves. Last but not least, Ms. Zhang Nan added another Chinese Folk Dance class (初级班) to compensate her current folk dance class. The woman's folk dance class is very successful with more than 15 students last year. Each Chinese New Year we witnessed their beautiful show on stage. I urge you



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check out these new classes and choose the ones that are benefit to you. Think of these classes as resources available to you at a fraction of the cost compared to elsewhere.

First day of class is August 21. On line registration is available at www.fenghuaschool.org. Any inquires may be addressed to jialingyang@fenghuaschool.org.

Enjoy the rest of the summer and see you on Sunday, August 21, 2011!

Sincerely,

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