



## Chinese Early Language and Immersion Network at Asia Society

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As part of Asia Society's ongoing work to promote the development of Chinese in U.S. schools, we are pleased to announce the establishment of the Chinese Early Language and Immersion Network at Asia Society (CELIN @ Asia Society).

This initiative seeks to convene and work together with practitioners, researchers, policy makers, parents, and advocates for language learning across the United States and beyond. Our goal is to expand the number and quality of Chinese language programs in the early grades, through collaboration, documentation of strong programs, and dissemination of information and resources. We will:

- Identify and collaborate with Chinese early language and immersion schools and practitioners
- Create a website and use digital tools to increase communication, support collaboration, and share resource and expertise
- Develop a comprehensive collection of resources to support the development and growth of strong programs
- Establish and support a group of Chinese early language and immersion programs, including Confucius Classrooms in the United States, to serve as models and resource centers
- Support the development of effective Chinese language teachers for early language and immersion programs through providing professional development and collaborating with teacher preparation programs and state certification agencies

An advisory committee of national leaders in the fields of Chinese, world languages, early language, and immersion education will provide guidance to our work.

To learn more about CELIN @ Asia Society, ensure that your program is documented in our online directory, or get involved with this initiative, please contact us at [Chinese@AsiaSociety.org](mailto:Chinese@AsiaSociety.org). We look forward to hearing from and working with you.

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