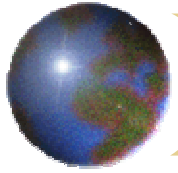


A Global Connection -





- ✚ World Languages, Not Foreign Languages
- ✚ Need for diplomatic and strategic expertise in global trade, business and transportation
- ✚ Critical Languages: Arabic, Mandarin, Korean, Russian and Persian
- ✚ Including university students, more Chinese citizens study English than there are citizens in entire U.S.

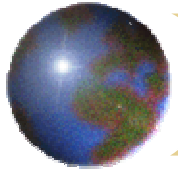
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A Local Connection -

Shaker Heights School District

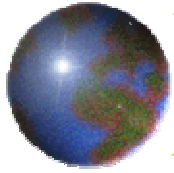
-  Asian Studies program in place for 20 years
 - In conjunction with Cleveland Museum of Art
-  All 1st & 2nd graders have opportunity
-  By 2009, will offer Chinese 1, 2 and 3
-  Has 3 guest teachers from sister schools in China



A Local Connection -

✦ Cleveland Heights/University Heights School District

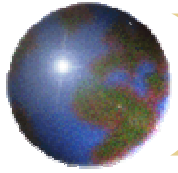
- ✦ Program under development for two years
- ✦ Offers Pre-School Chinese in conjunction with the *Sesame Workshop*
- ✦ Plans to reinforce through Cleveland State University



A Local Connection -

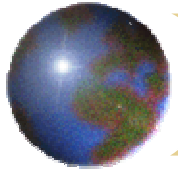
✦ Other Schools: Rapidly Expanding

- ✦ South Euclid/Lyndhurst
- ✦ Bedford
- ✦ Chagrin Falls
- ✦ Solon
- ✦ Avon
- ✦ Brecksville/Broadview Heights
- ✦ Private Schools – Hawken, Hathaway Brown, Laurel School



What About Westlake?

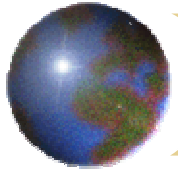
- ✪ The Chinese Culture Association leases space for Chinese School on Saturday mornings.



Options -

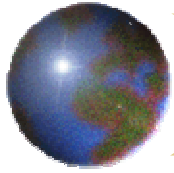
⊕ Do Nothing

- ⊕ We are comfortable with current offerings



Options -

- ✿ Expand/Enhance Asian Studies Courses
 - ❏ Establish “grass-roots” programming through local Chinese citizenry.
 - ❏ Develop a round table/workshop with other schools – What worked for them, what areas need improvement?



Options -

- ✦ Invite Guest Teachers – no salary – Chinese Government pays
- ✦ Contact OSU K-12 Chinese Flagship Program
 - ✦ Curriculum Development
 - ✦ Teacher Development
 - ✦ Technology Development

At NO COST