

# XI'AN GAOXIN NO. 1 HIGH SCHOOL INTERNATIONAL COURSE CENTER CLASS 2025



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# BRIEF INTRODUCTION OF XI'AN GAOXIN NO.1 HIGH SCHOOL

- FOUNDED IN 1995
- LEADING EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION IN SHAANXI PROVINCE, CONSISTENTLY RANKED AMONG THE TOP TWO SCHOOLS IN THE PROVINCE; PRODUCED NUMEROUS TOP SCORERS IN THE PAST DECADE
- OVER 3,000 ENERGETIC STUDENTS, INCLUDING 500+ STUDENTS PURSUING INTERNATIONAL CURRICULA (AP & A-LEVEL)
- FOCUS ON TOP UNIVERSITIES IN THE UK, US, CANADA, AUSTRALIA, AND BEYOND
- 1,900+ ALUMNI ADMITTED TO PRESTIGIOUS OVERSEAS UNIVERSITIES: HARVARD, STANFORD, MIT, PENNSYLVANIA, OXFORD & CAMBRIDGE, LEADING IN ADMISSIONS AMONG PROVINCIAL SCHOOLS



# EXCHANGE PROGRAMS OF GXYZ

- 1998: EXCHANGE STUDENTS WITH BOSTON BROOKLINE HIGH SCHOOL
- 2006: EXCHANGE STUDENTS WITH CALIFORNIA SAUGUS HIGH SCHOOL
- 2019: BRIDGE-BUILDING WITH PLYMOUTH HIGH SCHOOL



# OVERVIEW OF 2025 PROGRAM

- WE CURRENTLY HAVE ONE TEACHER WITH 7 STUDENTS
- WE HAVE 4 HOST FAMILIES
- TWO STUDENTS ATTENDING PLYMOUTH SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL
- 5 STUDENTS ATTENDING PLYMOUTH NORTH HIGH SCHOOL



# DAY ONE TOUR OF SCHOOLS AND PLYMOUTH



**Dr. Maestas introducing us to Plymouth's vast history**



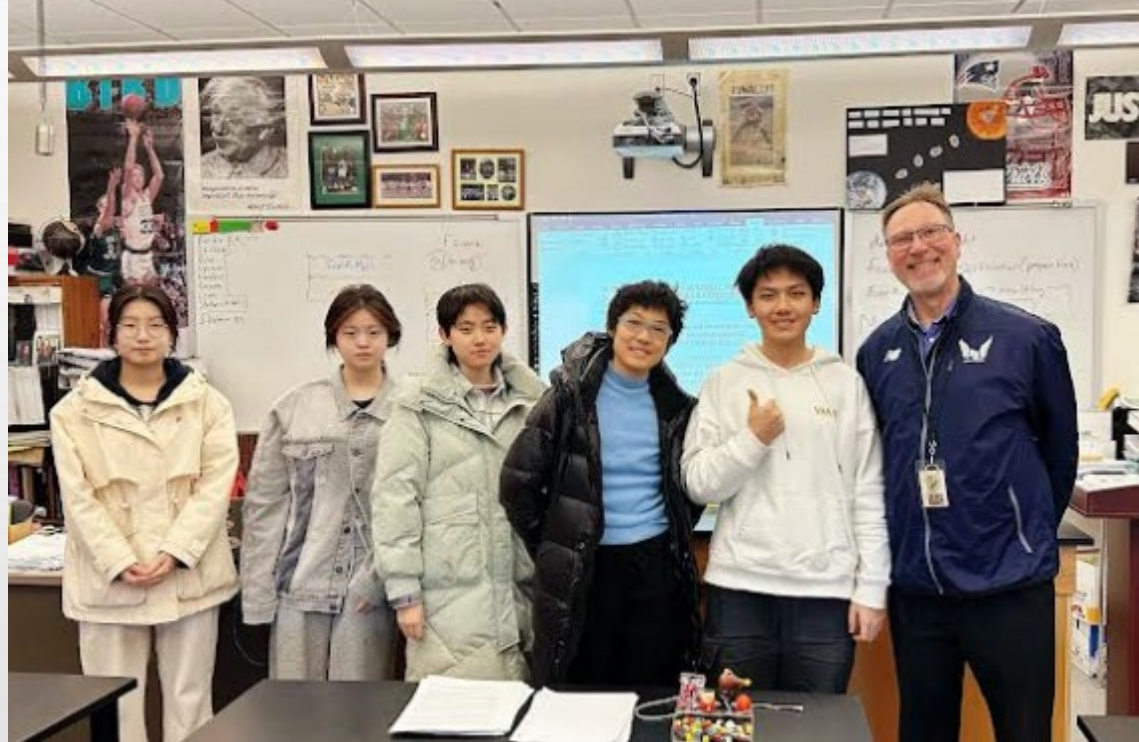
**Tour of PNHS with Principal Parcellin**



**Meeting the ambassador Students at PSHS**

# EXAMPLES OF THE CLASSES STUDENTS ARE ENROLLED IN

- OCEANOGRAPHY
- US HISTORY
- WORLD LITERATURE
- HEALTH STUDIES
- ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE
- PHYSICAL EDUCATION



Oceanography with Mr. Strohschneider

# ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES

## Things we have done:

Axe Throwing

PSHS Basketball

Pinz Bowling

Dinners with the host families

College Tours

PNHS Play; Hadestown



# UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

## Activities planned for this week:

State House Tour with Representatives Michelle Badger and Kathy LaNatra

Lunch at PSHS Culinary Program

Thanksgiving Dinner at Plimouth Patuxet



# THERE ARE MANY GREAT BENEFITS TO THIS PROGRAM



# LASTING IMPACT ON STUDENTS

Cole, a student who participated in our exchange program last year. Over the course of this one - month program, he experienced remarkable changes. He was once a rather introverted student. But he had a wonderful experience, and his American host mother- Dr. Battles was of great assistance to him. At the end of the exchange program, he voluntarily stood up to share his feelings of the month. After coming back to china, there was a significant change in his personality. He would now take the initiative to greet everyone he encountered. His academic performance has maintained top grades in his grade. Most importantly, he has become willing to help others. Before exams, he would invite his classmates to his home to review and tutor together. His parents believe these good changes of him are attributed to our exchange program.



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Tom, a student who participated in our exchange program in 2019, was once introverted and had little interest in activities and sports. Now, he is admitted to Ph.D. programs at top universities like MIT and Princeton. His exchange experience ignited his passion for quantum physics, leading to significant research results. Tom's independent research began in his second year of high school and lasted for two years. His SCI paper was published in the journal "Physical Review A," published by the American Physical Society, and he was the sole first author. In addition, he has maintained a deep friendship with the Nevulis family, who hosted him.



# LASTING CONNECTIONS

- STUDENTS HAVE BEEN BACK TO VISIT THEIR HOST FAMILIES, ONE STUDENT BROUGHT A FRIEND
- STUDENT'S FAMILIES HAVE COME TO THE US AND SPENT TIME VISITING WITH THE HOST FAMILY
- A FORMER STUDENT HELPED WITH THIS YEAR'S TOUR OF HARVARD, AS SHE IS NOW A STUDENT THERE.

# FURTHER BENEFIT TO OUR STUDENTS

- STUDENTS FROM PREVIOUS YEARS ARE ATTENDING PRESTIGIOUS COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES: HELLEN AT HARVARD, CAMELLIA AND SHUHAN AT NYU, OTHER STUDENTS HAVE BEEN ADMITTED TO SMITH COLLEGE, MIT, PRINCETON, AND CARNEGIE MELLON, GEORGIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY AMONG OTHERS



# RECIPROCAL OPPORTUNITIES



- WILL'S VISIT TO CHINA (LAST SUMMER)
- DR. BATTLES AND TEACHER ALLISON'S OPEN OPPORTUNITY TO VISIT (PERHAPS THIS SUMMER)

# UNFORESEEN VALUE TO THE FUTURE



- THIS PROGRAM PROVIDES YOUTH THE OPPORTUNITY TO FORM A POSITIVE BOND AND CONNECTION BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES - THE STUDENTS WHO HAVE PARTICIPATED IN THIS PROGRAM HAVE ALREADY DEMONSTRATED GREAT FUTURE POTENTIAL, INCLUDING ONE AMERICAN STUDENT WHO IS STUDYING ABROAD AND MAJORING IN INTERNATIONAL STUDIES AS WELL AS THE STUDENTS FROM CHINA WHO ARE ATTENDING PRESTIGIOUS SCHOOLS IN THE US... PROMOTING MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING

# THANK EVERYONE WHO HAS CONTRIBUTED TO THE EXCHANGE PROGRAM

