

Late Start Secondary Pathway (9-12) According to AAPPL Scores

Grades	Courses	Listening AAPPL Score	Speaking AAPPL Score	Reading AAPPL Score	Writing AAPPL Score
9 th Grade	1 Course	N2	N2	N2	N2
10 th Grade	1 Course + Summer	N4	N4	N4	N4
11 th Grade	1 Course + Summer	I1	I1	I1	I1
12 th Grade	AP Course	I3	I3	I3	I3
Pre-College	Summer Study Abroad	I5	I5	I5	I5

N2 Novice Mid
 N3 Novice Mid
 N4 Novice High

I1 Intermediate Low
 I2 Intermediate Mid
 I3 Intermediate Mid

I4 Intermediate Mid
 I5 Intermediate High
 AL Advanced Low

Late Secondary (9-12):

In order for non-heritage students who begin studying Chinese in 9th grade to be ready to take the AP exam in 12th grade, most will need to do additional summer study. Students will begin Chinese high school classes in 9th grade; after 10th grade students should participate in a summer study (e.g., STARTALK) or study abroad program in order to accelerate their language-learning progress. Another summer study experience after 11th grade will prepare students to take the AP class and exam in 12th grade. More summer study or study abroad is encouraged after graduation and before entrance to a university Chinese Flagship program. Approximate proficiency levels for each modality (listening, speaking, reading, writing) are listed on the chart.