

Next year will be my 9th year teaching Mandarin Chinese in public high school. In these past years, the greatest gifts not only do have the Thanksgiving or Christmas gifts from students but also to see my student's achievements in learning Chinese Language. The reason I attended the Virginia STARTALK online teaching training is to help my students improve language skills in both the classroom and online. Also, to help my students feel more confidence and get successful in learning Chinese.

It is a great joy to see my students learning well and growing broad minded. By teaching them a difficult language, I hope I also teach and show my students how to face difficulties in their life, how to divide each difficulty into as many parts as is feasible and necessary to resolve it. Step by step, part by part, day by day, if they stay on track and commit themselves for learning, they will overcome, they will gain confidence and they will find the joy of learning as well. Their understanding of the need of learning, magic of learning and overcoming of challenge of learning is my greatest reward. I enjoy seeing my students' success in passing AP exam in high scores, and it is very gratifying knowing most of them select to learn Chinese in their fourth years even though three years foreign language credits are requested for their college application.

To me, teaching is a passion. It is my personal commitment to my students, my investment in their future, to prepare them to learn not only the knowledge of foreign language but be better global citizens in twenty first century.