

“The worst form of inequality is to try to make unequal things equal”
- Aristotle

CHINESE NEW YEAR

The Chinese New Year (Lunar New Year or Spring Festival) is a yearly festival that lasts 15 -16 days and is celebrated worldwide in China and Chinese communities. The date changes every year because the first day of Chinese New Year begins on the new moon which appears between January 21 st and February 20 th . The main Chinese New Year activities include decorations, eating reunion dinners with family on New Year’s Eve, giving red envelopes and other gifts, and fireworks. Chinese New Year food includes fish, dumplings, and glutinous rice cake (Niángāo). “Guo Nian Hao” is one of the most used greetings. It means “Happy New Year.”

Notable Names

Emperor Taizong of Tang (28 January 598 – 10 July 649), previously Prince of Qin, personal name Li Shimin, was born in 598 at Wugong , in modern Xianyang, Shaanxi. He was the second emperor of the Tang dynasty of China, ruling from 626 to 649. Taizong is one of the greatest emperors in China’s history, and henceforth his reign became regarded as the exemplary model against which all future emperors were measured. Yuan Shikai (16 September 1859 – 6 June 1916) was born in the village of Zhangying to the Yuan Clan. He was a Chinese general and statesman who served as Prime Minister of the Imperial Cabinet, the second provisional president of the Republic of China, head of the Beiyang government from 1912 to 1916, and Emperor of China from 1915 to 1916. During the Beiyang government period (1912-1928), President Yuan Shikai decreed that the Chinese New Year would fall on the first day of the lunar month and named it “Spring Festival.” The official usage of the name “Spring Festival” was retained by the government of the People’s Republic of China. name “Spring Festival” was retained by the government of the People’s Republic of China.

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RECENT EVENTS

Feedback from November event: “Beyond Words: Bridging Understanding With Context and Intent”

Education Program, Support and Advocacy Teams

Of more than a dozen attendees, over three-quarters rated themselves as highly engaged and very satisfied in a post-event survey.

In their own words:

“biases and preconceptions exist not only between racial groups but also within them.”

“a reminder that while race and ethnicity are parts of our identity, they do not define the entirety of a person’s character.”

“The moment [Luisa Fuentes] sat in front of us I had nothing but the utmost respect for her... she was passionate and direct, and she did not hesitate to address uncomfortable truths.”

“I think [the event organizers] reached their goal in raising awareness about how “cognitive dissonance” in intent can create harmful impacts. I also learned how perceptions can unintentionally create barriers, and I learned strategies for engaging with curiosity and empathy to break them down.”



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UPCOMING EVENTS

Call for Submissions to Support Ethnic Diversity Activity - 2025 theme: Haitian Americans

Impact Evaluation Team

Are you a passionate community organizer, educator, or individual dedicated to promoting ethnic diversity and inclusion in education or community initiatives?

P-CoC is thrilled to offer sponsorship opportunities for educators, community leaders, and passionate individuals committed to integrating ethnic diversity into an activity or initiative. Join us in creating innovative activities and pilots that celebrate and advance ethnic diversity in the classroom, community, social spaces, and beyond.

This opportunity is open to anyone committed to fostering inclusive environments that empower and uplift diverse ethnic backgrounds.

Partner with the P-CoC Impact Evaluation Team to bring your vision to life—submit your application and join us in making a meaningful impact.

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Link: 'Happening Now'; links to <https://www.p-coc.org/happeningnow>



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