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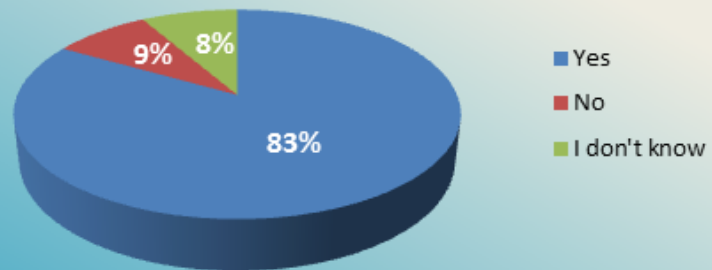
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TCLP by the Numbers

2013-2014 Year in Review

As a result of participating in TCLP this year, does your school have increased motivation to further develop its Arabic/Chinese language program?



Learn about the impact that TCLP grants for U.S. host schools and international teachers have had, with in-depth analysis and quotes from teachers, students, and parents. [Read More](#)

A Letter to 2014 Participants

Greetings from the U.S. Department of State!



The Kennedy-Lugar Youth Exchange and Study Abroad program (YES Abroad) provides competitive merit-based scholarships for U.S. secondary school students (age 15-18.5) to study for one academic year in select countries. Visit the Yes Abroad website to learn more. [Learn More](#)

Welcome to the U.S. Photo Contest Winning Photo

Congratulations to Wang Liuqing at Notre Dame Catholic School in Colorado for winning the TCLP "Welcome to the U.S." photo contest!



Photo and Caption by Wang Liuqing

"This photo always reminds me of my confidence in overcoming difficulties: yes, I can make it! Colorado is a state of fitness. People here love sports so much, and I am totally overwhelmed by people's attitude and actions about different

Together with our American Councils colleagues, we from the Department of State enjoyed the opportunity to see the TCLP teachers and their mentor teachers at the fall workshop last month in Philadelphia. We hope that the sessions and cultural activities were useful and fun for everyone in attendance.

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News

TCLP Announces Alumni Cohort Leaders

Through the Cohort Leaders Program, teachers will be able to help colleagues enhance their own professional development, keep in touch with their TCLP cohort, and network with teachers from other cohort years. [Read More](#)



Tomah High School Gives Students the Edge They Need with TCLP Teacher

Tomah High School in Wisconsin has helped TCLP Arabic exchange teacher, Mohamed Fawzy Ali, to feel like he is a valued member of the school and community by arranging a meeting with the local mayor and going through valuable district training. [Read More](#)



Kolter Elementary School Embraces Mandarin

TCLP exchange teacher Qu Bingbing shared her culture with her Houston host school during the International Festival of Kolter, where she helped run a Chinese language table. Principal Steven Shetzer: "This is a great opportunity for [the Kolter] family to learn more about the Chinese culture and for Ms. Qu to learn more about the American culture." [Read More](#)



International Student Exchange Initiated by TCLP

exercises. Right after I settled down, I started to run every day and cycle every weekend in order to keep myself energetic and enthusiastic about work and life in Colorado. The photo was taken on the top of Bear Creek Hill in Denver on a Saturday. That was my first non-stop cycling up the hill for 3 hours. It was very hard because I was riding a regular bike and I never had riding experience. But it was an exciting challenge I wanted to overcome, just like my application for TCLP and my present job here now. Finally, my strong will and perseverance paid my off. When I reached the top of the hill, I was shocked by the amazing view of nature and couldn't help jumping into the sky. I wanted to fly, I wanted to fly higher and higher with my efforts. It did strengthen my confidence in making all my dreams come true."

[For more inspiring participant photos, visit our Facebook Page!](#)

Sister Schools



This August, American Councils was pleased to give an in-person welcome to a visiting Chinese delegation of students led by TCLP alum Li Qiong (2011-2012). [Read More](#)

Alumni Spotlight

Forging Partnerships Across Egypt

TCLP alum Mohamed Hassan has brought U.S. teaching styles back to Egypt, initiating several projects in his hometown to teach English to young students and adults, as well as improve student-centered teaching methods. [Read More](#)



Roosevelt Elementary School Sees Students Embrace Chinese Language



Roosevelt Elementary School in Wisconsin reported great successes from the TCLP program after two years of hosting TCLP teachers from China. [Read More](#)

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