

# **Frequently Asked Questions**

## Who instructs Futura classes?

All of our instructors are degreed native speakers with extensive experience in the classroom; the majority of our staff are certified teachers with international experience. Futura provides training in the Building Block Method of Learning ®, classroom management, and second language acquisition. Futura is an approved After School Contractor with the Texas Department of

Public Safety, including the FACT Clearinghouse fingerprint background program. All instructors receive extensive background checks in accordance with district/school regulations. Student safety is our number one priority at all times above anything else.

### What is a typical Futura class like?

Futura classes are serious FUN! Our teachers creatively implement songs, games, music, traditional crafts, sports, and dance as well as guided language instruction into the camp day.

There is always something new; teachers use an exciting array of activities which engage all of the senses and offer differentiated instruction to ensure student success and engagement. We offer two exciting program options in both Spanish and Chinese, with half day and full day options.

#### Does my child need to have experience in the target language?

Our classes are designed for children with little or no experience in the language. If your child has been exposed to Spanish or Chinese and you are seeking a camp that will allow your child to naturally interact with peers in the target language and learn more about the culture our camp would also be a great fit.

#### Do I send a lunch to camp?

If your child is enrolled in a full day camp, please send a sack lunch and drink that does not require refrigeration, as well as two small healthy snacks. Half day campers should bring a healthy snack daily.

#### What if my child takes medication during the day?

Futura does not administer medication to children during camp.

#### What should my child wear to camp?

Comfortable clothes and shoes.

#### How often are on site observations of instructors conducted?

Teacher observations are conducted at least once a semester by our Bilingual Education Consultant who is a Masters level educator with extensive experience in bilingual education.