Chinese Language Teaching Organizations

The first two organizations were established primarily to strengthen Chinese heritage language schools; the third and fourth organizations aim to promote Chinese language teaching in K-12 settings. The 5th and 6th organizations provide resources for teaching Chinese and its sub-varieties, including Cantonese.

**Chinese School Association in the United States (CSAUS)**
Established in 1994, the purpose of CSAUS is to strengthen the cooperation among Chinese schools, promote Chinese language and culture education in the United States, and enhance cultural cooperation and exchange between China and the United States. CSAUS member schools were established by immigrants from People’s Republic of China. [Learn more about this association.](#)

**National Council of Associations of Chinese Language Schools (NCACLS)**
Established in 1994, the purposes of the NCACLS are to promote and cultivate the Chinese language and culture in the domestic and international academic mainstreams, serve as the primary contact for national and international institutions on Chinese language and culture related issues, and provide a forum for member organizations to share and exchange their experience and information in the teaching of Chinese language and culture and administrative affairs of Chinese language schools. NCACLS is primarily composed of Chinese heritage language schools established by immigrants from Taiwan. [Learn more about this association.](#)

**Chinese Language Teachers Association (CLTA)**
CLTA is a professional organization devoted exclusively to the study of Chinese language, culture, and pedagogy. [Learn more about this association.](#)

**Chinese Language Association of Elementary-Secondary Schools (CLASS)**
CLASS is a non-profit professional organization that represents all Chinese language educators at all levels from elementary to secondary schools. CLASS advances and promotes the teaching and learning of Chinese language and culture at PreK-12 schools in the United States. [Learn more about this association.](#)

**Cantonese Language Association (CLA)**
The purpose of CLA is to facilitate communication among teachers and scholars of Cantonese and to promote study and research in the fields of Cantonese study.

**Asia Society**
Asia Society is the leading global and pan-Asian organization working to strengthen relationships and promote understanding among the people, leaders, and institutions of the United States and Asia. We seek to increase knowledge and enhance dialogue, encourage creative expression, and generate new ideas across the fields of arts and culture, policy and business, and education. [Learn more about this organization.](#)