

August Newsletter

Cricket Academy

August 16, 2022



Dragon Boat Festival

On August 13, Cricket Academy students, teachers, and additional volunteers participated in the Dragon Boat Festival in the Lakeshore State Park. Some volunteers and Cricket Academy's Youth Leadership group helped set up the tent the evening before, and on Saturday morning, families arrived at 7:30 AM to set up and prepare for the busy day ahead.

At 9:40 AM, Cricket Academy's Dragon Boat Rowers participated in their preliminary round of racing, placing third in their heat and earning a place in the ruby semi-finals.

Right before lunchtime, the Cricket Academy Dragon Boat raced in the ruby semi-finals and got third again, earning a place in the ruby consolation finals. Additionally, right around noon is when our concessions began taking off, especially the mango milk drinks and rice cakes. Luckily, with the help of our hard working volunteers, we were able to keep up with order demands. At around noon, there were many beautiful traditional dances on the MainStage of the festival (see pictures below), which attracted lots of attention from spectators!

Finally, at around 2:00 PM, Cricket Academy raced in the ruby consolation finals, placing second place in the ruby consolation heat earning us a team trophy!



Traditions of the Chinese Dragon Boat Festival, dragon boat racing and eating zongzi [粽子] (glutinous rice and other tasty fillings wrapped in bamboo leaf and steamed or boiled) are ways to commemorate the death of Qu Yuan, a Chinese poet and minister who later became a national hero. He was exiled after being falsely accused of treachery, and when his home country was overtaken by enemies, he committed suicide into the Yangtze River out of despair. People were touched by his loyalty to his home country and threw zongzi into the river from boats in an attempt to find his body; thus, China commemorates Qu Yuan's death with Dragon Boat racing and zongzi.



Cricket Academy families had a blast spending time with each other and showcasing cultural traditions to all those who attended the Dragon Boat Festival downtown. Congratulations to everyone who participated for a job well done!

Special thanks to all the volunteers and rowers!



China Lights

Cricket Academy is excited to present at the China Lights Festival! The festival will continue the tradition of ethnic and cultural festivals. The main highlights are the beautiful lantern light displays. Cricket has discounted walk up tickets on sale ([order discounted VIP tickets here!](#))

In addition to the gorgeous lantern lights, there will also be traditional dances, Chinese acts and delicious Chinese foods. There will be more information in the following weeks, so watch out for September's newsletter!



	ANYTIME ACCESS	ONLINE WEEKDAY	ONLINE WEEKEND	WALK-UP
GENERAL ADMISSION	\$23	\$22	\$25	\$35
CHILD (3-11)	\$15	\$14	\$16	\$20
INFANT (under 3)		FREE	FREE	FREE



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Cricket Classes Start Soon!

Cricket classes are starting soon! The first day of Cricket classes are on September 11th at 2:00-4:00 PM on the third floor of the Lalumiere Hall in Marquette University. We are all so excited to see everyone again so soon! Be sure to check your emails for any updates.

Please register: <https://form.jotform.com/202277781749164>



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