



Left: New student from China, "Arthur," presenting Dr. Travis with a famous calligraphy by Lanting Xu ("Orchid Pavilion Preface") in honor of Teachers Day in China.

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August/September 2023 Ministry Update

Hello, Friends & Family!

On Monday, August 28, we launched the 140th year of Christian education ministry at Houghton Academy. What an honor and privilege it is to have a part in this historical time of the school's story. As you know the past months have been filled with long hours of reviewing resumes and applications, conducting interviews, reference and background checks as we have sought to identify those individuals whom God is directing to partner with us in our unique ministry as an international Christian school.

It is with tremendous joy that I can share with you today, that we have filled all of our open positions! The picture on the right features nearly the entire team (several of our staff were not able to join this particular meeting). You can find brief bios of our faculty members at www.houghtonacademy.org/faculty and a staff directory at www.houghtonacademy.org/staff. Would you please take a few minutes today to visit these pages and pray for each of our team members by name? Your prayers for our work and service together are deeply appreciated. Thank you.



It is also with joy that I can announce that the Academy is experiencing its **largest single year of new enrollment in the past 100 years!** With students joining us from ten countries of the world, we have more new students than returning students this year! During the pandemic, the Academy nearly closed its doors. Last year the school struggled through with 52 students. This year, we are launching the year with 86 students on campus, with another 16 that have been accepted, but are awaiting embassy interviews and visas to join us. Praising God!

As always, thank you for your support, friendship, and prayers!

Yours for Christ,

Toby (for Tannia & Emma too!)



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