

CIT Celebrated Chinese New Year with Adopted Chinese Children

The Confucius Institute at Troy University (CIT) hosted a Chinese New Year celebration with local Dothan families who have adopted children from China.

The event, which was held on Monday, was targeted to engage the adopted Chinese children in building cultural relationships with their native country.

The children were told stories about the origin of “Spring Festival,” as the Chinese New Year is called in China. They also were taught traditional “new year wishes,” accomplished learning to use chopsticks by playing games, enjoyed music played on traditional Chinese instruments and experienced singing “Happy New Year” in Mandarin Chinese.

The event opened up interest in the community about the Chinese culture, and many parents expressed interest in signing up their children in Chinese language and cultural programs offered by CIT.

