

## CIT Dothan Campus Celebrates the Mid-Autumn Festival

On September 13<sup>th</sup>, the Confucius Institute at Troy University's Dothan Campus celebrated the Mid-Autumn Festival at Kelly Springs Elementary School. The students watched a film about the legend of the festival and tasted mooncakes.

Visiting Scholars Ms. Jiang, Ms. He, and Mr. Li introduced the origin of Mid-Autumn Festival and told the children the legend of Hou, Yi and Chang. Next, they taught them the words of "Zhong Qiu Jie" and shared moon cakes with the students. Even the Principle of Kelly Springs, who was passing by, saw the celebration and came in.

This Mid-Autumn Festival Celebration was extremely successful because the students greatly enjoyed the experience and learned a lot. Through the different activities, each student was able to see, touch, taste, and hear about traditional Chinese culture which helps to further foster an appreciation for it. The students left interested and motivated to learn more.

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当地时间9月13日上午，美国特洛伊大学孔子学院多森教研中心在凯丽泉小学与当地小朋友们一同品月饼，观看中国神话故事，共同度过了一个难忘的海外中秋佳节。

访问学者姜娜、何艳和李夫俊首先向当地小朋友们介绍了中秋佳节的由来，接着讲述了后羿射日和嫦娥奔月的故事，并教会了小朋友说中秋节等词语，小朋友品尝了他们期待已久的月饼。参与活动的小朋友深深地被品月饼和观神话故事等环节所吸引。在活动进行过程中，驻班的当地教师给予了大力支持。就连在教室外巡视的校长，也被这次传统文化分享活动所吸引，走进教室进行观看。

此次文化活动丰富了凯丽泉小学的多元文化氛围，让小朋友从视觉、听觉和味觉近距离体验中国传统文化，极大提升了小朋友们了解中国文化的兴趣和动力。