

CIT Celebrates Year of the Rat with Kelly Spring Elementary School

On January 24th, The Confucius Institute at Troy celebrated the Spring Festival with Kelly Spring Elementary School, in Dothan, AL. The Zhou's Family Band, a traditional band from China, played for the students and Visiting Scholars. All in all, more than 600 people attended the celebration.

CIT started off the celebration with a lion dance which drew in the elementary children's attention. Afterwards, the Zhou's Family Band performed the series entitled *Song of the Phoenix*. At the height of the performance, the students and teachers clapped with the beat of the music, echoing with each other. At the end, all the students sang the song *Happy New Year* to celebrate the Year of the Rat.

After the event, the principal of Kelly Spring Elementary School, on behalf of all the teachers and students, expressed sincere appreciation for the wonderful performance. The local news media WTVY reporters (the news provider for NBC, CBS etc.) followed the event as well.

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2020年1月24日上午，由特洛伊大学孔子学院组织的新春庆祝活动，在阿拉巴马州多森市(Dothan AL)凯里泉(Kelly Spring)小学隆重举行。来至国内传统乐队周家班、特洛伊大学部分访问学者、当地新闻媒体记者和全体凯里泉小学的师生，共计600多人，一起共享了这次音乐盛宴。

狮子舞拉开了庆祝活动的序幕，并引得现场小朋友惊叹连连。接着周家班的《百鸟朝凤》系列演奏更是让现场师生过足瘾。演奏到精彩之处，现场的师生一起跟着音乐节奏，打着拍着相互应和。活动尾声之处，大家一起演唱了歌曲《新年好》，共贺新春。

活动结束后，凯里泉小学校长代表全校师生对这次精彩演出表示衷心的感谢，当地新闻媒体WTVY记者(NBC、CBS等当地新闻提供商)，对这次活动进行来全程跟进报道。