## **Press Release**

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## **Summit Christian Academy International Director Selected to Tour China**

(**Lee's Summit**) – Summit Christian Academy's (SCA) International Program Director, Kathy Tharp, was invited by the United Students Association (USA) to present information about the school's academic program to high schools in seven different cities in China this month.

USA is an international student exchange agency headquartered in Mansfield, Texas. The agency has sponsored thousands of international students since its inception in 1995. SCA currently hosts one student from Spain through the agency.

"I am very impressed with SCA and the services provided to international students," said Moacir Rodriguez, the founder and president of USA.

"USA selected only a few schools from across the country to present to schools in China, which speaks volumes about the international program we have in place," said Tharp. "SCA currently offers 46 college credit hours and Mr. Rodriguez was excited about sharing this offering with his students."

Three SCA Chinese students currently participate as Language Cadets in the Chinese class. They enhance the class greatly by sharing their culture, perspective, and authentic language with other students.

Thousands of Chinese students pursue U.S. high school admission each year, seeking an opportunity to take college credit courses, participate in extracurricular activities, sports, and fine arts programs. SCA provides a well-rounded, world-class education, and provides opportunities for U.S. and international students to learn about and understand other people groups and cultures that make up our world community.

"Today's students are tomorrow's global leaders and citizens. At SCA, we are preparing students to live and work in a global environment," commented Tharp.

In addition to representing the school, Tharp will connect with two Chinese students who graduated from SCA last year. The former students will be assisting Tharp in schools as she interviews prospective students.

Summit Christian Academy (SCA) is an independent, nondenominational Christian school serving over 660 preschool through high school students. Established in 1989, the school has distinguished itself as a leader in private Christian education in the Midwest region.