



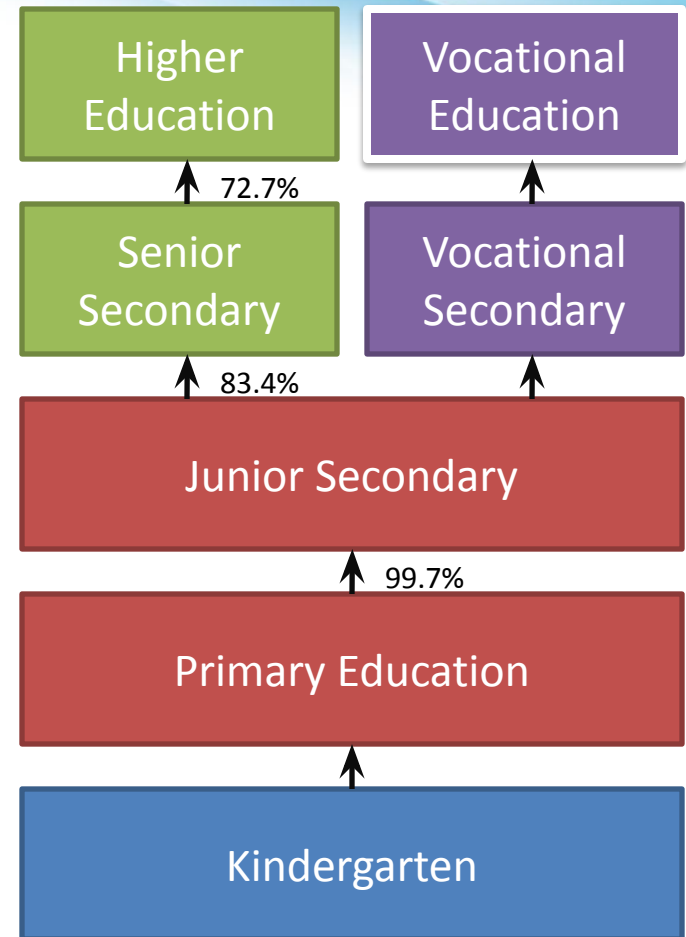
# Education System in China

# China Education System (Overview)

- National education budget:  
3.48% of GDP (2008)
- Literacy rate: 92%
  - Men: 96%
  - Women: 88%
- Compulsory education: 9 years program
- Mostly examination-oriented education

# China Education System

- Kindergarten (optional)
- Primary education (6 y)
- Junior secondary (3 y)
- First 9-year education is compulsory and in principle for free
- Senior / Vocational secondary (3 y)
- Higher Education



# Pre-school education

can last up to three years, with children entering as early as age three, until age six, when they typically enter elementary school.

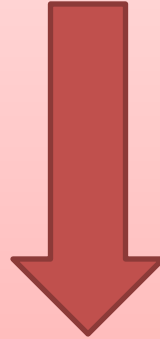
# Primary Education

- last up to six years, The academic year is divided into two semesters. At the end of each semester, there will be examinations.

# Junior Secondary

- Junior school graduates wishing to continue their education take a locally administered entrance exam, on the basis of which they will have the option either of continuing in an academic upper middle school or of entering a vocational secondary school.
- Vocational schools offer programs ranging from two to four years and train medium-level skilled workers, farmers, and managerial and technical personnel. Technical schools typically offer four-years programs to train intermediate technical personnel. “Schools for Skilled Workers” typically train junior middle school graduates for positions requiring production and operation skills. The length of training is typically three year.

Pre-school education + Primary Education



Compulsory education: 9 years program

# Senior Secondary

- Also last up to three years, during this time, students have to work really hard to pass the National Higher Education Entrance Examination to enter to Higher Education



# National Higher Education Entrance Examination

- Very important to Chinese students
- Standardized exams inside the province
- Usually consists of 4 subjects: (2 days)
  - Mathematics
  - Chinese
  - English
  - Optional subject: (Chemistry, Physics, Biology, History, Geography ...)

# Higher Education in China

- Bachelor degree: usually four years(possibly in other university 5 year)
- Master degree: usually 2-3 years, depends on majors and universities
- Doctor 's degree: 2-4 years
- Post doctorate: minimum 2 years