The Symbol of the Chinese Dragon

Suitable for students from 1 – 12 and teachers who would like to teach this in their classrooms.

This workshop/presentation can be adapted to serve the needs of several types of participants. It can be presented to students in a classroom environment or educators in a workshop setting. If presented in the classroom, the program includes a digital presentation about the history, tradition, and symbol of the dragon as it is viewed in China. It also compares the differences between how we in the west view the dragon symbol with how Asians see it.

Educators can expect to be able to tie this topic to the Vermont Standards as well as the day to day workings of their classrooms. Students will get a deeper understanding of this very old and very important aspect of Chinese culture and its traditions. The presentation includes an art project that is age appropriate to the participants. Younger students will build a simple dragon rod puppet while older students will create a repoussé drawing of a dragon on metal.

Repoussé drawing (above), dragon puppet (right)