



KOREA KENT FOREIGN SCHOOL

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School Profile

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THE SCHOOL

Korea Kent Foreign School (KKFS) is a medium sized school of 300 students in Seoul offering an American AP curriculum from K to 12. Our graduates have consistently been accepted in prestigious universities in the US, Canada, Germany, Korea, Japan and Hong Kong.

All our teaching units follow the Understanding by Design (UbD) format, which focuses on essential questions and essential understandings thus fostering conceptual thinking that crosses disciplines.

Our students are introduced to the basics of neuroscience, learning the effects of stress on their brain and behavior and how to alleviate that stress.

ACCREDITATION

KKFS was founded in 1993 for the purpose of providing excellent education in English to the international community in Seoul.

We are accredited by **Seoul Metropolitan Office of Education (SMOE)** and the **Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC)**.

VISION & MISSION

Our students come from six continents. In order to live harmoniously in a diverse world, students need to be aware of the attitudes that nourish personal and social success, such as self-control, empathy, and optimism. Student diversity helps guide our emphasis on character education and social emotional learning. Our mission is to develop students who are mindful, caring and inquiring.

FACULTY

All our teachers hold teaching credentials from internationally-recognized institutions in the USA or Canada. Many have advanced degrees in specialized fields as well.

CURRICULUM

Elementary:

Subjects follow Common Core standards. We teach Singapore math. Social studies instruction covers Oceania, South America, and Africa in detail. The Music program is world music. All students take Art, and PE.

Middle School:

Subjects follow Common Core standards.

Science follows "Next Generation Science" standards. World history is taught in all three grades, US history in Gr. 8.

Students learn Pre-Algebra and Algebra 1, and take classes in Computer Science, Art, Music, Health, PE, and Geography.

Mandarin and Spanish are taught in Gr. 8.

High School:

The High School curriculum is the standard American one following Common Core standards. 21 credits are required for graduation: 4 English, 4 Social Sciences, 3 Math, 3 Science, Computer Science, at least 1 foreign language, and 5 electives. 2 PE credits are available.

We are a charter member of the Mu Alpha Theta chapter of the National Mathematics Honors Society.

AP COURSES

KKFS offers 14 AP classes: English Language, Biology, Chemistry, Statistics, Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Mandarin, Psychology, World History, US History, Studio Art, Music, Economics, and Computer.

SUPPORT

KKFS has a well defined ELL program for students needing English language help, a registered nurse on site and a full-time social-emotional counselor.

HOUSE SYSTEM

The House system at KKFS promotes school spirit and helps to guide students in a positive direction. All four Houses feature flying animals that are in keeping with spirit of the merlin falcon, the school mascot. The House names, chosen by the students, are Thunderbird, Dove, Hornet and Phoenix.

ATHLETICS

KKFS fields varsity teams in basketball, volleyball, soccer, cross-country and cheerleading, all of which compete at the Korean-American Interscholastic Activities Conference. Middle School and Elementary School students participate with other international schools at a non-competitive level.

ACADEMIC YEAR

The Kent school Fall semester begins in the second week of August and ends the third week of December. The Spring semester begins the third week of January and ends the second week of June.

FOR IBS

We offer various financial breaks including 15% deduction of the tuition and exemption of entrance fee.

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COLLEGE PLACEMENT

Select list of universities where our students have been admitted:

United States:

American University
Art Institute of Chicago
Boston College
Boston University
California Institute of the Arts
Carnegie Mellon University
Case Western Reserve University
Claremont McKenna College
Cornell University
Emory University
Georgia Institute of Technology
Haverford College
Indiana University
MCPHS
New York University
Northwestern University
Ohio State University
Parsons School of Design
Purdue University
Rhode Island School of Design
Rice University
Rutgers University
Swarthmore College
University of California, Berkeley
University of California, Los Angeles
University of California, San Diego
University of Connecticut
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
University of Massachusetts, Amherst
University of Michigan
University of Minnesota
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
University of Pennsylvania
University of Southern California
University of Washington
University of Wisconsin

Canada

University of British Columbia
Simon Fraser University

East Asia:

Hong Kong University of Science & Technology
Meiji University
Osaka University
National Taiwan University
Korea University
Seoul National University
Yonsei University-Underwood College

Europe:

Karlsruhe Institute of Technology, Germany