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Mission

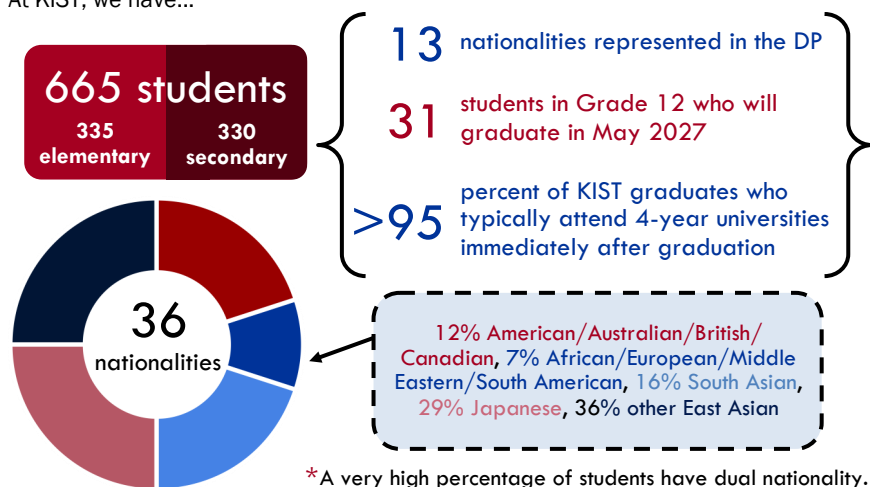
K. International School Tokyo provides academically motivated children from diverse cultural and social backgrounds with a high-quality education in a safe and supportive environment in order to develop competent, academic individuals with high moral character who make meaningful contributions to our global community.

School overview

K. International School Tokyo (KIST) is a private, coeducational, non-denominational day school serving the international community of Tokyo from pre-Kindergarten through Grade 12. Authorized by the International Baccalaureate Organization as an IB World School, KIST is fully authorized to offer the Primary Years Programme (PYP) and the Diploma Programme (DP). Additionally, it is authorized by Pearson Education's Edexcel to deliver the IGCSE curriculum. KIST is accredited by the Council of International Schools (CIS) and is recognized as an educational foundation by the Tokyo Metropolitan Government. English is the language of instruction at all levels.

Enrollment and admissions

At KIST, we have...



As an international school, KIST welcomes internationally-minded students, regardless of race, national or ethnic origin, religion, gender or socio-economic background who demonstrate a commitment to our mission and guiding beliefs.

To promote diversity, we maintain a balance of nationalities at each grade level, as well as in individual classes. We also ensure that the balance of nationalities and language groups is diverse, while at the same time does not compromise the position of English as the language of instruction.

Staff

- 84** full time teachers
- 29** teachers hold postgraduate degrees (Master or PhD)
- 25** different nationalities of staff

School year

KIST ensures a minimum of 180 days in the school year, divided into 2 semesters:

- ◆ Semester 1: August–December
- ◆ Semester 2: January–June

Curriculum and grading in the DP

In Grades 11 and 12, all students are enrolled in the two-year IB Diploma Programme. All students are required to study six subjects: a maximum of three at Standard Level (SL) and a maximum of four at Higher Level (HL). In addition, they must complete Creativity, Activity, Service (CAS); take a course in Theory of Knowledge (TOK); and write an Extended Essay of 4,000 words. School-based examinations take place throughout Grades 11 and 12, with externally set examinations at the end of Grade 12.

Academic achievement from Grade 9 to 12 is graded on the 1 to 7 scale, with 1 being the lowest and 7 being the highest mark attainable. **As an IB World School, it is our philosophy to not rank students against each other or to provide ratings on references.**

IB grade descriptors

7: Excellent | 6: Very good | 5: Good | 4: Satisfactory | 3: Mediocre | 2: Poor | 1: Very poor

Scoring averages for Class of 2027 (Semester grades from G9–G11)

75th percentile | 50th percentile | 25th percentile
6.73 | 6.61 | 6.29

IB DP subject options

The following courses are offered during the 2025–27 DP cycle:

- ◆ English A Language and Literature HL/SL
- ◆ Japanese A Language and Literature HL/SL
- ◆ Japanese B HL/SL
- ◆ Japanese ab initio SL
- ◆ Economics HL/SL
- ◆ Geography HL/SL
- ◆ History HL/SL
- ◆ Psychology SL (online)
- ◆ Biology HL/SL
- ◆ Chemistry HL/SL
- ◆ Environmental Systems and Societies HL/SL
- ◆ Physics HL/SL
- ◆ Mathematics A&A HL/SL
- ◆ Mathematics A&I SL

A variety of online course options are also available through the IB affiliated Pamoja Education.

In 2026, 19% of KIST IB Diploma students attained a Bilingual IB Diploma.

Graduation requirements

To graduate with an IB Diploma, students must meet all external requirements set by the International Baccalaureate. These include a minimum score of 24 in six subjects, as well as successful completion of the TOK, Extended Essay, and CAS components.

To graduate with a KIST High School Diploma, students must successfully complete all course requirements for Grade 11 and 12, a research paper, and a service program.

DP results 2024 to 2026

Year of graduation	2026	2025	2024
KIST DP average	42.7	42.0	41.5
IB DP global average	30.9	30.6	30.3
KIST highest DP score	45	45	45
KIST G12 graduates	38	33	39
KIST G12 DP graduates	31	28	38
% of students in full DP	82%	85%	97%
# Diplomas attained	31	28	38
% attaining Diplomas	100%	100%	100%

Class of 2026 results

Number of students with 45 points in the DP	7
Percent of students with 45 points in the DP	23%
Number of students with 40 points or above in the DP	29
Percent of students with 40 points or above in the DP	94%

DP results for the class of 2025 (for courses offered at KIST)

DP subject	# of students	% of students attaining			School average	Global average	KIST +/- over GA
		7	6	5			
English A L&L HL	8	50%	50%	0%	6.63	4.83	1.80
English A L&L SL	23	70%	30%	0%	6.70	4.97	1.73
Japanese A L&L HL	2	0%	100%	0%	6.00	5.12	0.88
Japanese A L&L SL	4	0%	100%	0%	6.00	4.88	1.12
Japanese B HL	10	90%	0%	10%	6.80	6.05	0.75
Japanese B SL	12	92%	8%	0%	6.92	5.02	1.90
Japanese ab initio SL	3	100%	0%	0%	7.00	4.78	2.22
Business Management HL	3	67%	33%	0%	6.67	4.96	1.71
Business Management SL	4	100%	00%	0%	7.00	4.86	2.14
Economics HL	6	83%	17%	0%	6.80	5.21	1.59
Economics SL	6	83%	17%	0%	6.80	4.95	1.85
History HL	6	83%	17%	0%	6.83	4.35	2.48
History SL	7	29%	71%	0%	6.29	4.75	1.54
Geography HL	5	80%	20%	0%	6.80	5.28	1.52
Geography SL	1	0%	100%	0%	6.00	4.88	1.12
Biology HL	10	40%	40%	20%	6.20	4.48	1.72
Biology SL	1	100%	0%	0%	7.00	4.30	2.70
Chemistry HL	19	74%	26%	0%	6.74	4.94	1.80
Chemistry SL	2	50%	50%	0%	6.50	4.47	2.03
Environmental Sys. & Soc. HL	3	0%	100%	0%	6.00	4.47	1.53
Environmental Sys. & Soc. SL	2	00%	100%	0%	6.00	4.31	1.69
Physics HL	14	79%	14%	7%	6.71	4.97	1.74
Physics SL	1	100%	0%	0%	7.00	4.35	2.65
Mathematics A&A HL	7	100%	0%	0%	7.00	5.00	2.00
Mathematics A&A SL	21	100%	0%	0%	7.00	4.46	2.54
Mathematics A&I SL	3	100%	0%	0%	7.00	3.89	3.11
Visual Arts HL	2	0%	50%	50%	5.50	4.29	1.21

University matriculations 2024–26

*The above school averages are calculated for students who attained IB Diplomas.

Regularly, 100% of KIST graduates attain university/college acceptance. This list contains the final destinations for students during the time period indicated above, not only offers. * indicates that a full or partial scholarship was awarded.

Asia (excluding Japan)

Chinese University of Hong Kong*
 Hong Kong University of Science and Technology*
 National University of Singapore*
 New York University Abu Dhabi*
 University of Hong Kong*
 Weill Cornell Medical College Qatar (Medicine)
 Yonsei University

Australia

James Cook University*
 University of Melbourne
 University of Sydney

Canada

Emily Carr University of Art and Design
 University of British Columbia*
 University of Calgary
 University of Toronto*
 Western University*

Europe

Jagiellonian University
 KU Leuven
 Leiden University
 Sciences Po
 Trinity College Dublin (Medicine)
 University of Amsterdam
 University of Groningen
 University of Zagreb (Medicine)
 Utrecht University
 Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam

Japan

Hiroshima University (Medicine)
 International Christian University
 Keio University, Mita Campus
 Kyoto University of Advanced Science
 Nagoya University of Commerce & Business
 Sophia University
 University of Tokyo*
 Waseda University*

United Kingdom

Hull York Medical School (Medicine)
 Imperial College London*
 London School of Economics and Political Science
 University of the Arts London
 UCL
 University of Bristol
 University of Cambridge
 University of Edinburgh
 University of Exeter*
 University of Glasgow*
 University of Leeds
 University of Manchester
 University of Manchester (Medicine)
 University of Oxford
 University of Warwick

United States of America

Arizona State University*
 Brown University*
 Carnegie Mellon University*
 Emory University
 Georgia Institute of Technology
 Grinnell College*
 Indian University Bloomington*
 Loyola Marymount University*
 Oregon State University*
 Purdue University*
 Rochester Institute of Technology*
 Stanford University
 University of California, Los Angeles*
 University of California, San Diego*
 University of California, Santa Cruz*
 University of Chicago
 University of Colorado Boulder
 University of Florida
 University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign*
 University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
 University of Southern California
 Washington and Lee University*