

JCS School Profile 2024-2025



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ABOUT JCS

Juniper Christian School (JCS) is a prestigious private American international school in South Korea. JCS is a member of the Association for Christian Schools International (ACSI) and offers many unique and exciting academic, cultural, and linguistic programs that are developed based on an innovative education curriculum. JCS currently offers education programs from 1st to 12th grades and the student body consists of approximately 21% foreign and 79% Korean students. The low student-teacher ratio (8:1) and small class sizes (up to 14) will guarantee students are actively engaged in creative learning, participation, and the building of intimate relationships with teachers. Owing to our innovative education system, JCS has maintained a 93% student retention rate and a 95% teacher retention rate for the 2024-2025 academic year.

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Juniper Christian School is to promote a Christ Centered Education, Educational Excellence, and Global Perspectives through dynamic learning activities.

MOTTO

"LIGHT AND TRUTH" ("LUX ET VERITAS")

The Fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and knowledge of the Holy One is understanding (Proverbs 9:10).

MEMBERSHIP

Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI)










CURRICULUM

The curriculum of JCS is based on the American Common Core State Standards (CCSS) which have been implemented in 41 states, as of the 2024-2025 academic year. We use the latest CCSS-aligned textbooks and materials. The curriculum is geared toward developing 21st-century skills and the 4Cs (Critical Thinking, Creativity, Collaboration, and Communication).

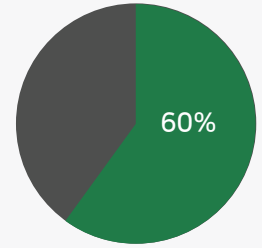
The academic courses offered consist of the core subjects, English, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, and other electives with rigorous A-G requirements for top college preparation.

The 15 Minimum Academic Preparatory Courses [Note: Must have "Grade"]

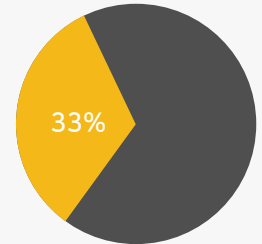
	ENGLISH (English 9-12, (or AP))	4
	MATH (Geometry, Algebra 2 (Trig included), Pre-Calculus, Calculus (or AP))	3-4
	SCIENCE (Biology, Chemistry, (or Physics, AP))	2-3
	SOCIAL STUDIES (World History & US History (or US Government, AP))	2-3
	FOREIGN LANGUAGE (Mandarin Chinese I, II, III)	3
	CHOIR / FINE ART (Any on Approved List)	1
	ELECTIVE (Any additional from 'A-E' above (College Preparatory English Writing & Research Practicum))	1

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

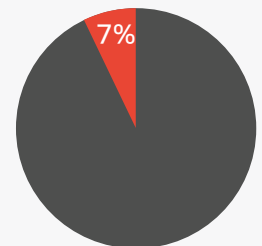
The JCS High School curriculum ensures a self-directed learning environment. Our students build a basic academic foundation and are equipped to become exemplary global citizens through participation in Spring/Fall Exchange Programs, Model United Nations, Class Discussions, Project-Based Learning (PBL), Survival Swimming, Flipped Classroom, Mock Trial, Community Service, Musical Club, Media Club, AMC club (American Math Competition), Sports club (Basketball, Baseball, Pingpong, Badminton, etc), Summer/Winter School Programs, and Christian Mission Trips.



U.S. Faculty



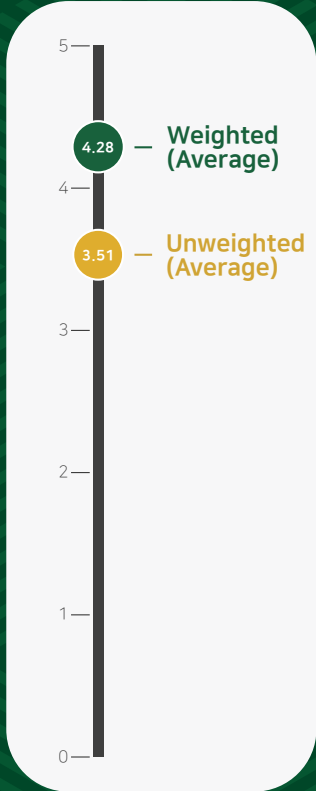
Korean Faculty



Other

HIGHLIGHT OF EDUCATION

- Innovative Thematic Curriculum
- Classes conducted in Korean and English languages (Bilingual Programs)
- Thematic Programs such as Musical, STEM, Business, Education
- Newest Technologies
 - Online Education and Portfolio
 - Tablet PC



SCHOOL CALENDAR

The school year includes 180 days and is divided into two 18 week-long semesters. The typical course load is 8 courses per semester. The school day consists of six 45-minute classes that meet on varied academic schedules.

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS (22-27 Credits)

[1 credit = 1 year of classwork (4 times a week or more)] / Students graduate in chosen AP courses or concentrations

Class Subject	Credits	Years Required	Class Subject	Credits	Years Required	Class Subject	Credits	Years Required
ENGLISH	4	4	FOREIGN LANGUAGE	3	3	RESEARCH PRACTICUM	2	4
MATH	3-4	3-4	PE	2	4	COLLEGE PREP ENGLISH WRITING	1.5	3
SCIENCE	2-4	2-4	CHOIR / FINE ART	1	2			
SOCIAL STUDIES	2-4	2-4	BIBLE / CHAPEL	1.5	3			

GRADING

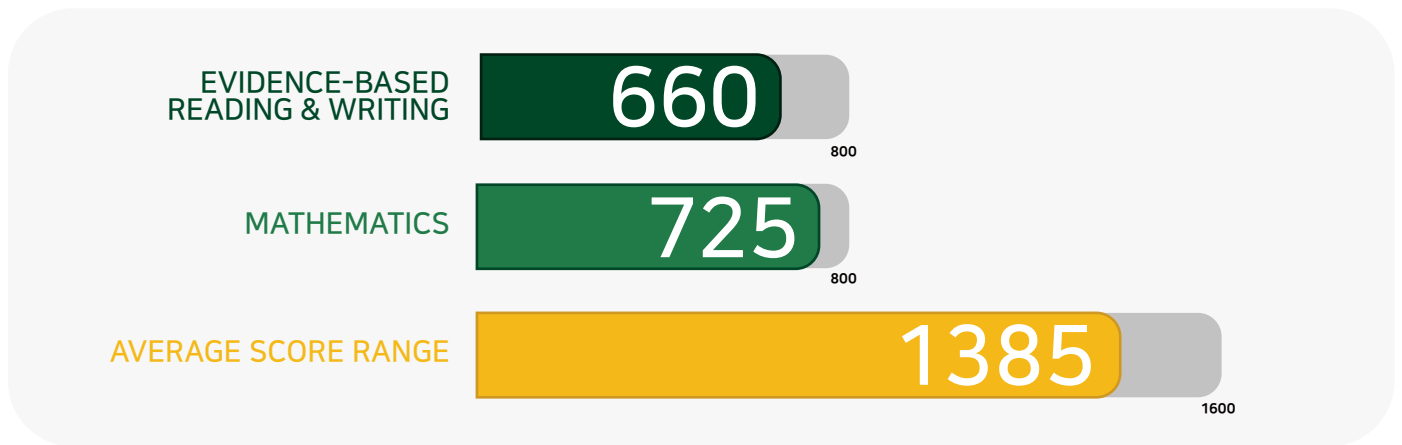
The cumulative GPA is augmented and calculated by taking an unweighted GPA of all coursework beginning in 9th grade, and then adding 0.25 points for every semester of AP or Honors coursework with grades of C- or higher. JCS does not rank students on the basis of academic achievement.

GRADING SCALE

POINTS	GRADE	PERCENTILE	REGULAR	HONOR	AP
97-100	A+	97-100	4.0	4.5	5.0
93-96	A	93-96	4.0	4.5	5.0
90-92	A-	90-92	3.7	4.2	4.7
88-89	B+	87-89	3.3	3.8	4.3
83-86	B	83-86	3.0	3.5	4.0
80-82	B-	80-82	2.7	3.2	3.7
77-79	C+	77-79	2.3	2.8	3.3
73-76	C	73-76	2.0	2.5	3.0
70-72	C-	70-72	1.7	2.2	2.7
67-69	D+	67-69	1.3	1.8	2.3
65-66	D	63-66	1.0	1.5	2.0
60-62	D-	60-62	0.7	1.2	1.7
Below 60	F	Below 60	0	0	0

SAT MEAN SCORES

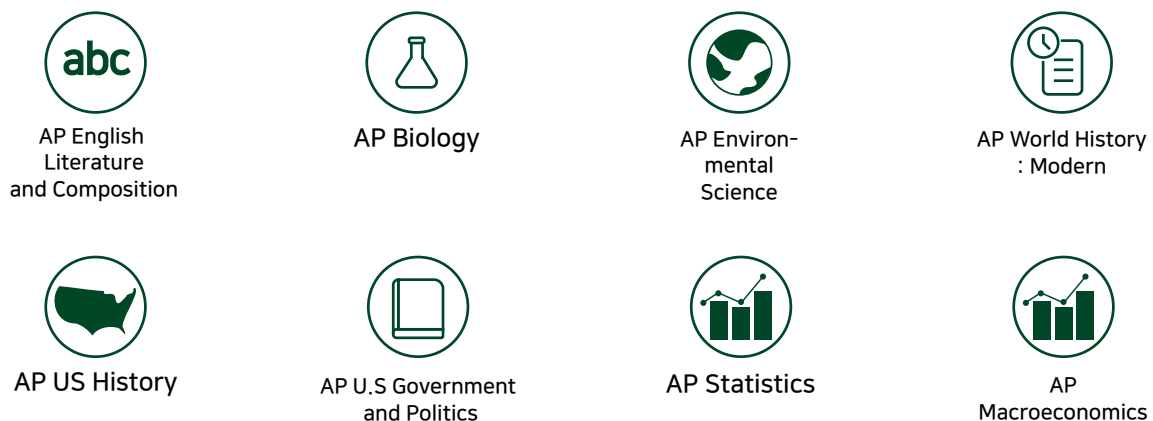
The SAT was administered to 100% of the Class of 2024.



AP EXAMS AND POLICY

JCS High School students are limited to two AP online classes (NorthStar Academy and/or UT High School) in the sophomore year, two or three AP classes during the junior year, and two or three AP classes in the senior year. JCS High School students who meet the requirements may be recommended to take additional AP online classes.

JCS High School students enrolled in AP online courses (NorthStar Academy and/or UT High School) are required to take the AP exam.



UNITED STATES (A-Z)

- American University
- Azusa Pacific University
- Brandeis University
- Binghamton University- SUNY
- Biola University
- Boston University
- Calvin University
- Carnegie Mellon University
- Case Western Reserve University
- Chapman University
- Clarkson University
- Fordham University
- Gettysburg College
- Gonzaga University
- Indiana University Bloomington
- Knox College
- Loyola Marymount University
- Maryland Institute College of Art
- New York University
- Pepperdine University
- Purdue University
- Savannah College of Art and Design
- School of the Art Institute of Chicago
- St. Lawrence University
- Stony Brook University- SUNY
- Syracuse University
- The Pennsylvania State University
- Union College
- University of California, Berkeley
- University of California, Davis
- University of California, Irvine
- University of California, Los Angeles
- University of California, Merced
- University of California, Riverside
- University of California, Santa Barbara
- University of California, Santa Cruz
- University of California, San Diego
- University of Illinois Chicago
- University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- University of Minnesota Twin Cities
- University of Nevada, Las Vegas
- University of San Francisco
- University of Rochester
- Westmont College

Universities in Hong Kong (A-Z)

- City University of Hong Kong
- Hong Kong University of Science and Technology
- The Chinese University of Hong Kong
- The Hong Kong Polytechnic University

Universities in Australia (A-Z)

- University of New South Wales
- University of Technology Sydney

Universities in Japan (A-Z)

- Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University
- Ritsumeikan University

Universities in Songdo, South Korea (A-Z)

- The State University of New York-SUNY, Korea
- The University of Utah Asia Campus

