



# Christian Academy in Japan

## High School Profile 2023-2024

The Christian Academy in Japan is a K-12 school established in 1950 to provide Christ-centered education to the children of evangelical missionaries. While continuing in this purpose, CAJ also serves other families who desire this type of education for their children. We serve more than 460 students in our day school program.

**VISION** Equipping Students to Serve Japan and the World for Christ.

**ACADEMIC PROGRAM** CAJ's academic program is communicated in English. The following courses are offered in 2023-24 (\* designates required courses).

<i>English</i>	English 9*, 10*, 11* (+ AP Language); 12* (+ AP Literature)
<i>Social Studies</i>	World History* (+AP); Comparative Government & Politics*; U.S. History*; Japanese Culture*; Senior Capstone*; Economics (+ AP), Psychology
<i>Mathematics</i>	Algebra 1; Geometry; Algebra 2; Precalculus (+ AP); Calculus (+AP: AB, BC); Applied Mathematics
<i>Science</i>	Biology* (+ AP); Chemistry (+ AP); Physics; AP Physics 1, 2; Environmental Science; Computer Programming (+ Advanced)
<i>World Languages</i>	<i>Japanese:</i> Introduction to Japanese; Foundations; Intermediate; Advanced 1, 2; Comprehensive (AP exam option for "Advanced" and "Comprehensive") <i>Japanese for native speakers</i> (AP exam option for all): Composition; Literature: 20th Century Authors; Literature & Society; Japanese Christian Literature <i>Spanish:</i> I, II, III, IV (+AP) <i>English as an Additional Language:</i> Effective Reading and Writing
<i>Creative Arts</i>	Band; Jazz Band Ensemble; Orchestra; Concert Choir; Chamber Singers; Handbell Ensemble; Digital Music Design; Yearbook; Art Design; Ceramics; Drawing & Painting; AP Art & Design (2-D, Drawing); Culinary & Textile Arts; Design & Technology
<i>PE/Health</i>	PE/Health 9*, 10*, 11*, 12*; Strength & Conditioning
<i>Bible</i>	Bible 9* (Intro to Christianity); Bible 10/11 Electives* (Apologetics; <i>The Screwtape Letters</i> ; Theology & Fantasy Literature; Understanding the Gospels; Wisdom; World Religions); Bible 12* (Christian Ethics)
<i>Other Elective</i>	Teacher Assistant

**CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES** CAJ students are highly involved in co-curricular activities.

<i>Leadership</i>	Student Council; Senior Council; National Honor Society
<i>Academic</i>	Robotics; Math Field Day; Brain Bowl
<i>Fine Arts</i>	Drama; Chapel Band; Honor Choir; Band; Orchestra; Solo & Ensemble Music Festivals; Artscape; Speech Festival
<i>Athletics</i>	Basketball; Cross Country; Field Hockey (girls only); Soccer; Tennis; Track and Field; Volleyball; Wrestling

**SENIOR COMPREHENSIVES** All seniors complete the Senior Comprehensives. In the context of thinking deeply about the problems of a fallen world, seniors engage an issue of their choosing in Senior Capstone class. They establish a scholarly research base for the issue; write in-depth cultural, historical, and theological analyses of the issue and current responses to it; give a public, juried presentation; and complete a research-based, hands-on project that addresses the issue. Their final performance in the Senior Comprehensives is listed separately on the transcript.

**SCHOOL WITHOUT WALLS (SWOW)** Every year, each grade devotes a week to practicing servant leadership in a new environment. During this week, students develop collaboration and leadership skills through service in our community and around Japan. In addition, seniors collaborate with Thai schools to choose a needed construction project in northern Thailand, raise funds as a class to pay for the project, and travel to Thailand in March to assist with the completion of the project. (SWOW was continued, in modified form, during the COVID-19 pandemic).

**COVID-19 RESPONSE** CAJ moved to distance learning from March 2020 through the end of the 2019-2020 academic year. Students received normal letter grades. All co-curricular activities except Student Council and Senior Council were canceled. On-campus learning resumed August 2020. Co-curricular activities resumed September 2020, with limited competition for sports, but most were suspended during a subsequent government-declared state of emergency (January to March 2021). Sports did not fully and consistently resume until the fall of 2022.

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### ACCREDITATION

Western Association of  
Schools and Colleges  
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### GOVERNMENT STATUS

Gakkou Houjin (School)

### ADMINISTRATION

Head of School:

David Mawhinney

High School Principal:

Tryone Fambro

Registrar:

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### ACADEMIC COUNSELOR

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### STUDENT OBJECTIVES

Faithful caretakers

Responsible learners

Discerning thinkers

Productive collaborators

Effective communicators

### INSTRUCTIONAL DAYS: 180

Semester 1: Aug. – Jan.

Semester 2: Jan. – June

### HS ENROLLMENT: 177

Total nationalities: 20

Multiple nationalities: 33%

Most common:

48% Japan

35% USA

28% South Korea

Missionary dependents: 35%

## GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

High school students must earn a minimum of 50 semester credits, distributed as follows:

Bible	4
English	8
Creative Arts	2
World Languages	4
Mathematics	4
Physical Education and Health	4
Science	4
Social Studies	8
Electives	12

## GRADING SCALE

Letter	Percent	GPA
A	95-100	4.0
A-	90-94	3.7
B+	86-89	3.3
B	83-85	3.0
B-	80-82	2.7
C+	76-79	2.3
C	73-75	2.0
C-	70-72	1.7
D+	66-69	1.3
D	63-65	1.0
D-	60-62	0.7
F	< 60	0.0
P	Passing	

AP courses receive an additional weighting of 0.5 for grades over C-. (Prior to the class of 2018, AP weighting was 1.0.)

## ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP), 2020-2023

Scheduling constraints generally prevent students from taking more than 2 AP classes during their 10th grade year and 3 or 4 during their 11th & 12th grade years.

Test Year	2023	2022	2021	2020
Exams	166	166	165	155
Pass Rate	73%	73%	71%	76%
Students	81	80	84	83

Due to Covid-19, AP exams in 2020 were taken at 1am, 3am, and 5am Japan time.

## 2023 AP EXAM RESULTS

Exam (# taken)	Avg.
Biology (10)	3.8
Calculus AB (32)	3.5
Calculus BC (12)	3.5
Chemistry (11)	4.4
English Language (7)	4.3
English Literature (5)	5.0
Japanese (33)	4.8
Macroeconomics (24)	3.8
Physics 1 (25)	2.6
Physics 2 (7)	3.0
Statistics (14)	2.8
2-D Art & Design (5)	2.6
Drawing (2)	3.5

## SAT SCORES OF GRADUATING CLASSES, 2022-2024

Middle 50 percent.

Scores include Aug. 2023 test.

Class	2024	2023	2022
EBRW	550 - 700	560 - 685	535 - 650
Math	550 - 720	575 - 755	605 - 715
Total	1090 - 1390	1145 - 1410	1160 - 1355
Students Tested	38	46	41

## WEIGHTED GPA DISTRIBUTION, CLASS OF 2024

Due to each class's relatively small size, CAJ does not provide the specific rank of its students

Quintile	Cum. GPA	Grade 11 GPA
First	3.96 - 4.08	4.06 - 4.27
Second	3.86 - 3.95	4.00 - 4.05
Third	3.74 - 3.85	3.81 - 3.91
Fourth	3.66 - 3.70	3.6 - 3.80
Fifth	3.07 - 3.55	2.80 - 3.54

## COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY MATRICULATION, 2020-2023

<b>Australia</b>	<b>Japan</b>	U of Auckland	Liberty U.
Southern Cross U.	Bunka Fashion College		Morehouse College
U. of Sydney	Hosei U. (4)	<b>USA</b>	New York U. (2)
Western Australian Academy of Performing Arts (WAAPA)	International Christian U. (17)	Abilene Christian U. (2)	Northeastern U.
U. of Queensland	Keio U. (4)	Anderson U.	Palomar College
<b>Canada</b>	Lakeland U. Japan	Arizona State U.	Penn State U.
Capilano University	Ritsumeikan U.	Auburn U.	San Diego State U. (2)
Redeemer University College	Shibaura Inst. of Tech.	Biola U.	Savannah College of Art and Design
Trinity Western U. (6)	Sophia U. (5)	Boston College	Seattle U.
U. of British Columbia (3)	Temple U. Japan (4)	Cal Poly San Luis Obispo (2)	SD School of Mines & Tech.
U. of Toronto (5)	U. of Tokyo	CSU Long Beach	St. Joseph's U. - Philadelphia College of Pharmacy
U. of Waterloo (2)	U. of Tsukuba (2)	Calvin U. (4)	St. Olaf College
<b>Europe</b>	Waseda U. (13)	Case Western Reserve U. (2)	Syracuse U.
Glion Institute of Higher Ed.	Yamanashi Gakuin U.	Colorado State U.	Taylor U.
Lucerne U. of Applied Sciences & Arts	<b>South Korea</b>	Cornell U.	Texas A & M U.
Semmelweis U. of Medical Sciences	Handong Global U.	Covenant College	U. of California, Los Angeles
Trinity College Dublin	Seoul National U.	Crown College	U. of IL, Urbana-Champaign
U. of Chester	Sungkyunkwan U.	Cypress College	U. of Massachusetts Boston
U. of East Anglia	Yonsei U.	DePauw U.	U. of Oregon
U. of Leeds	<b>Other</b>	Evangel U.	U. of Rochester
U. of Manchester	Georgetown U. Qatar	Fashion Institute of Technology	U. of Wisconsin, Madison
	Hong Kong U. of Science and Technology	George Fox U.	Villanova U.
	IDC Herzliya	Gordon College (2)	Wellesley College
	Monash U. Malaysia	Grove City College	Westmont College
	NYU Abu Dhabi	Hope College	Wheaton College (Ill.) (5)
	Stellenbosch U. (2)	John Brown U.	
		Kennesaw State U. (3)	
		Kenyon College	