



# Christian Academy in Japan High School Profile 2024-2025

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 2024-25 (\* 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; Calculus (+AP: AB, AB/BC, BC); Applied Mathematics (not offered this year), Statistics (+AP)
<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 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 CAPSTONE** All seniors complete the Senior Capstone. 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.

**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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680420

## ACCREDITATION

Western Association of  
Schools and Colleges  
since 1976

## 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: 192

Total nationalities: 20  
Multiple nationalities: 29%  
Most common:  
46% Japan  
32% USA  
28% South Korea

Missionary dependents: 31%

## 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 C- and above. (Prior to the class of 2018, AP weighting was 1.0.)

## ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP), 2021-2024

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	2024	2023	2022	2021
Exams	193	166	166	165
Pass Rate	77%	73%	73%	71%
Students	92	81	80	84

## 2024 AP EXAM RESULTS

Exam (# taken)	Avg.
Biology (8)	4.1
Calculus AB (16)	4.1
Calculus BC (12)	4.0
Chemistry (15)	4.3
English Language (15)	3.2
English Literature (13)	3.7
Japanese (24)	5.0
Macroeconomics (22)	3.2
Physics 1 (31)	2.7
Physics 2 (7)	3.0
2-D Art & Design (8)	2.9
Drawing (4)	3.0

## SAT SCORES OF GRADUATING CLASSES, 2023-2025

Middle 50 percent.

Scores include Aug. 2024 test.

Class	2025	2024	2023
EBRW	540 - 690	550 - 700	560 - 685
Math	550 - 720	550 - 720	575 - 755
Total	1100 - 1400	1090 - 1390	1145 - 1410
Students	46	38	46

## WEIGHTED GPA DISTRIBUTION, CLASS OF 2025

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	4.00 - 4.21	4.07 - 4.33
Second	3.87 - 4.00	3.93 - 4.05
Third	3.66 - 3.85	3.74 - 3.93
Fourth	3.47 - 3.66	3.59 - 3.74
Fifth	2.17 - 3.66	2.48 - 3.51

## COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY MATRICULATION, 2021-2024

<b>Australia</b>	<b>Japan</b>	<b>Japan</b>	<b>USA</b>
Southern Cross U.	Hosei U. (2)	Boston U.	Abilene Christian U. (2)
U. of Sydney	International Christian U. (10)	Cairn U. Langhorne	Asbury U.
Western Australian Academy of Performing Arts (WAAPA)	Keio U. (3)	Calvin U. (2)	Boston College
U. of Queensland	Ritsumeikan U.	Case Western Reserve U. (2)	
	Shibaura Inst. of Tech.	Cloud County Community College	
<b>Canada</b>	Sophia U. (5)	Colorado State U.	
Redeemer University College	Temple U. Japan (5)	Concordia College at Moorhead	
Trinity Western U. (5)	U. of Tokyo	Cornell U.	
U. of British Columbia (2)	U. of Tsukuba (2)	Covenant College	
U. of Toronto (3)	Waseda U. (17)	Crown College	
U. of Waterloo (1)	Yamanashi Gakuin U.	Cypress College	
	<b>South Korea</b>	Dallas Baptist U.	
	Sungkyunkwan U.	DePauw U.	
	Yonsei U.	Evangel U.	
<b>Europe</b>	<b>Other</b>	Fashion Institute of Technology	
Glion Institute of Higher Ed.	Georgetown U. Qatar	George Fox U.	
Lucerne U. of Applied Sciences & Arts	Monash U. Malaysia	Gordon College (2)	
Semmelweis U. of Medical Sciences	NYU Shanghai	Harvard U.	
Trinity College Dublin	Stellenbosch U. (2)	Hope College	
U. of Chester	U. of Auckland	John Brown U.	
U. of East Anglia		Kennesaw State U. (3)	
U. of Leeds		Kenyon College	
U. of Manchester		Lehigh U.	
		Liberty U.	
		Morehouse College	
		New York U. (1)	
		Northeastern U.	
		Northwestern U.	
		Ouachita Baptist U.	
		Palomar College	
		Penn State U.	
		San Diego State U. (2)	
		Seattle U.	
		SD School of Mines & Tech.	
		St. Joseph's U. - Philadelphia College of Pharmacy	
		Stony Brook U.	
		Syracuse U.	
		Texas A & M U.	
		U. of California, Davis	
		U. of California, Los Angeles	
		U. of IL, Urbana-Champaign	
		U. of Massachusetts, Boston	
		U. of Minnesota, Twin Cities	
		U. of Oregon	
		U. of St. Thomas	
		U. of Texas, Rio Grande	
		Wellesley College	
		Westmont College (2)	
		Wheaton College (Ill.) (8)	