



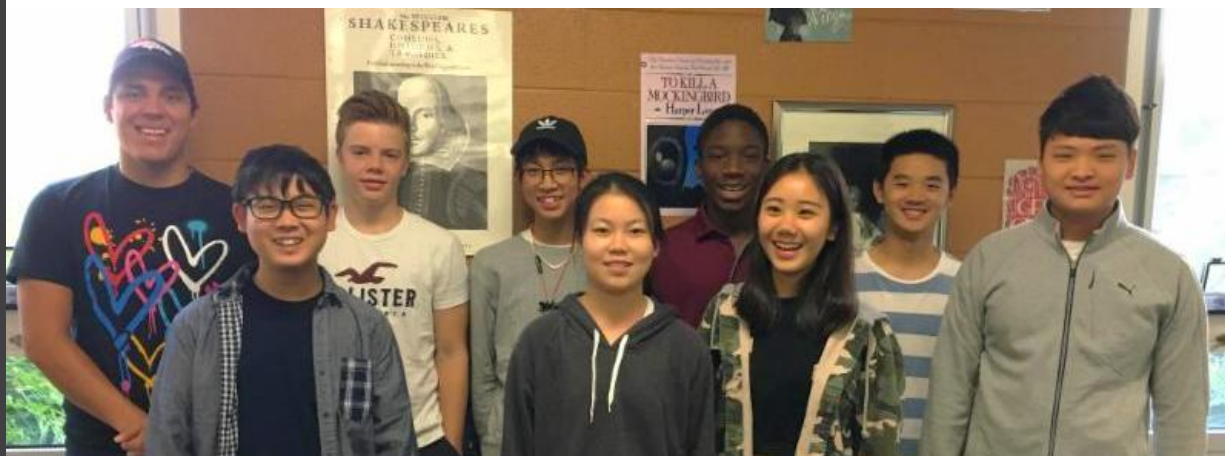
GRAND RAPIDS CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS
**INTERNATIONAL
STUDENT
PROGRAM**

2018 Fall NEWSLETTER

Thanks for reading our International Student Program (ISP) Newsletter! We want to keep you updated on what is happening at Grand Rapids Christian Schools. Visit our [website](#) to learn more about our International Student Program and how you can get involved.

Preparing students to be effective servants of Christ in contemporary society

Welcome our new international students!



Georgie Alarape (7th-not pictured) - **Lagos, Nigeria**
Abby Tang (9th grade) - **Changsha, China**
Matthew Chen (9th grade) - **Changsha, China**
Vicki Lin (9th grade) - **Guangzhou, China**
Masao Yayashi (10th grade) - **Omiachiman, Japan**
Shoma Ueno (10th grade) - **Omiachiman, Japan**
Emmanuel Alarape (10th grade) - **Lagos, Nigeria**
Mike Collard (10th grade) - **Utrecht, the Netherlands**
Brian Shin (11th grade) - **Seoul, South Korea**
Pedro Francisco Monroy (12th grade) - **Queretaro, Mexico**

ORIENTATION PROGRAM



Spring Hill Camp: What better way to jump right into American culture than join a local summer camp? Our new students had an amazing time at camp experiencing new challenges and making awesome friendships!



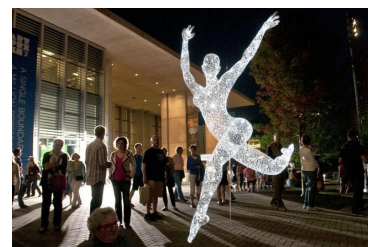
Chicago Tour: After camp we headed to Chicago for three days in the Windy City. We enjoyed a river boat ride, an open top bus tour, the Lincoln Park Zoo, tons a great food and more!

School Orientation: The last few days of orientation camp were spent in Grand Rapids getting to know the city, the school, and our community so students can make a smooth transition to life in America.

GRAND RAPIDS: ART CITY



The 10th annual ArtPrize festival returns to Grand Rapids September 19 - October 7, 2018. This international event welcomes 1,400+ artists displaying artwork in any medium throughout the city. Over \$500,000 in cash prizes are awarded based on public vote and a jury of experts. This spectacular event attracts over 500,000 visitors making it one of the most attended public art events in the world.



Fine Arts at Grand Rapids Christian High School

Grand Rapids Christian High School has an excellent Fine Arts program with a wide variety of class options to choose from. Our state of the art facilities provide a superb environment and top resources for high performance.



Visual Arts

Ceramics and Sculpture,
Design Thinking, Drawing,
Graphic Design, Graphic
Novels, Illustration and
Animation, Painting, Print
Making



Theatre Arts

Acting, Production,
Music Theatre



Music

Concert Band, Symphonic Band,
Sinfonia, Symphony Strings,
Men's Chorus, Women's
Chorus, Chamber Chorale

WINTERIM 2019

Winterim at Grand Rapids Christian High School engages students in a two-week amplified learning experience, allowing them to choose their own courses of interest. In October students will either choose their on campus courses, schedule their internship, or start preparing for the travel experience of a lifetime!



**Unique on campus
courses**



Life impacting travel



**Shadow professionals in
internships**

WORDS FROM A GRADUATE

When I was 16, I decided to come to the United States for high school by myself. I wanted to increase my chances of getting into a prestigious university by studying English for a couple years.

Now when I look back at my decision it was definitely worth it and not only for my English! The culture exchanged after living with an American family for two and a half years was meaningful and rewarding.

Now, as a sophomore at the University of Washington I am able to lead international students and even freshman in college to overcome their barriers. GRCHS prepared me for college environment, academic achievement, and a better version of myself.



CHANGES IN THE ISP

As you may know Rachel Mulder will be moving to the Netherlands with her family in September and her last day of work at GRCHS is September 14. She has been working with GRCS international students since April 2012 and we wish Rachel and her family all the best in their future endeavors.



LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROGRAM

Student Testimonials

[Chinese](#)

Two students who have been accepted at NYU and University of Michigan tell about their experiences at GRCHS in Mandarin.

[Vietnamese](#)

Hanh tells about her experience at GRCHS in Vietnamese.

Visit our website

[Prospective Student Handbook](#)

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