



## AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF KINGSTON

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American International School of Kingston is located in the capital city of Kingston, Jamaica. AISK was founded in 1994 and secured its present location on College Green Avenue in 2009.

A 12-member Board of Trustees governs the school. AISK operates as a private, non-profit, non-denominational institution. Tuition and fees generate 90% of its income.

### SCHOOL PURPOSE

AISK is an independent Preschool through Grade 12 institution.

The school purpose statements include:

#### MISSION

Inspiring confident, critical thinkers to contribute and thrive in a diverse world.

#### VISION

‘Our students shape the future.’

#### CORE VALUES

**EXCELLENCE | INTEGRITY | RESPECT | EMPOWERMENT**

#### 2019 FACULTY

Diversity is reflected not only in the student body but also in the staff/administration. There is a blending of national educators - 61 teachers of which 66% are Jamaican, 11 teachers or 18% are American and 10 teachers or 16% are third-country nationals from Canada, UK, Australia, and Germany. 44 out of 61 educators, or 72%, have earned a Masters or PhD degree.

#### CALENDAR

The school calendar outlines 2 semesters. Semester 1 starts in August and ends in January. Semester 2 commences in January and finishes in June. Total school days are 180. The school day starts at 7:45 AM and ends at 3:00 PM for all students.

#### STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

AISK provides EAL (English as an Additional Language) services for students whose first language is not English. Students are assessed using the WIDA screener to determine their English language proficiency in the areas of speaking, listening, reading, and writing. The scores determine their eligibility for EAL services. The WIDA Model is administered annually to monitor student progress and growth in their acquisition of the English language.

Learning support is available for students identified as having mild learning needs. Eligibility for services requires a psycho-educational evaluation by a qualified professional. The results of the assessment help to determine the level of support the student requires, as well as any accommodations they may need to ensure they are successful in the classroom.

#### ACCREDITATION

In 2001, AISK received its initial accreditation with AdvancED now Cognia and reaccredited in 2019 until 2025. In 2008, the school was authorized to deliver the International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Programme.

## ENROLLMENT

There are 307 students, 157 (51.14%) boys, and 150 (48.85%) girls. 149 students are enrolled in Elementary School (47%), 71 in Middle School (23%), and 87 in High School (28%). 29 students make up the Class of 2019.

## SCHOOL FACILITIES AT AISK JAMAICA

- 12 classrooms in the lower school
- 14 classrooms in the upper school
- 4 science labs
- An Apple computer lab and help desk
- A media center
- 2 music rooms
- A 2-story art studio
- A dance studio
- An outdoor stage
- A café/canteen
- An administration office
- A full football (soccer) field
- 2 Tennis courts
- Basketball court
- Elementary playground (EYP has a separate play area)
- College counseling office
- STEM-Makerspace
- 25m Swimming Pool
- Male / Female Locker rooms and showers
- A Student Support Center

## STUDENT BODY

By country of birth, 35% of AISK students are Jamaican, 24% are American and 41% are third-country nationals, listed below:

Algeria	Argentina	Australia
Barbados	Belgium	Bolivia
Canada	Cayman Islands	China
Colombia	Côte d'Ivoire	Cuba
Dominican Republic	Fiji	France
Germany	Greece	Guatemala
Honduras	Ireland	India
Japan	Kenya	Korea
Netherlands	Rwanda	South Africa
Spain	Sweden	Thailand
Ukraine	United Kingdom	Togo
Trinidad & Tobago	Venezuela	Vietnam

## ACADEMIC PROGRAM

AISK is an international school with an international standards-based curriculum designed to fit the needs of our diverse student body of college-bound students. The academic program provides three paths to graduation. Students can choose to strive for the International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma, a path of high school level courses with IB courses, or a full schedule of high school level courses. All students earn the AISK accredited High School Diploma upon successful

completion of high school requirements. The following IB courses are offered: English Literature, English Language and Literature, Spanish, French, Economics, History, Business Management, Environmental Systems and Societies, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Mathematics, Visual Arts, Music, and Theater. By grade 9, students can choose the courses that best help meet their academic goals. Honors classes are offered in Mathematics in grades 9 and 10. Grade 9 and 10 students may also, choose Visual Arts or any of our Performing Arts selections (Theater, Music, or Dance).

## CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

AISK is a venue for artistic, musical, and dramatic productions as well as intramural and extramural sports events. Varsity sports are football, basketball, tennis, swimming, and dance with opportunities for clay shooting, golf, dance, and polo. Major sporting events from Middle School to Varsity are SoccerFeva (AISK), FootballFest (Bahamas), TennisFeva (Jamaica), and local championships in football, tennis, dance, and swimming. Recreational sports include fencing, table tennis, taekwondo, pony club, gymnastics, and yoga. Clubs include Student Government, National Honor Society, National Junior Honor Society, Model United Nations, GIN, Chess, Brownies, Robotics, Drone Aviation, Sewing, and Drama. Students from Early Years to Grade 12 participate in community service activities. Service groups include:

- GIN Club- Global Issues Network
- Mary's Child Home for Teen Mothers
- Jamaica National Children's Home
- Bustamante Children's Hospital
- Strathmore Children's Home
- National Blood Bank Donation Drive

## CREDIT SYSTEM

COURSES	CREDITS
English	4
Social Studies	3
P.E.	1
Science	3
Modern Language	2
Mathematics	3
Fine Art	2
Electives	6

## IB DIPLOMA COURSES

GRADE	SUBJECT	LEVEL
1 Language A	English: Literature	HL/SL
	English: Language & Literature	HL/SL
	School-support self-taught	SL
2 Language B	French	HL/SL/AB Initio
	Spanish	HL/SL
3 Individuals and Societies	Business Management	HL/SL
	Economics	HL/SL
	History	HL/SL
4 Experimental Sciences	Biology	HL/SL
	Chemistry	HL/SL
	Environmental Systems and Societies	SL
	Physics	HL/SL
5 Mathematics	Applications and Interpretation	HL/SL
	Analysis and Approaches	HL/SL
6 Arts	Music	HL/SL
	Theater	HL/SL
	Visual Arts	HL/SL

### GRADING SYSTEM

Grades are reported at the end of the semester. GPA is calculated for Grades 9-12. A 4-point scale (A-4, B-3, C-2, and D-1) is utilized and only grades earned at AISK are factored into the GPA. IB courses are weighted.

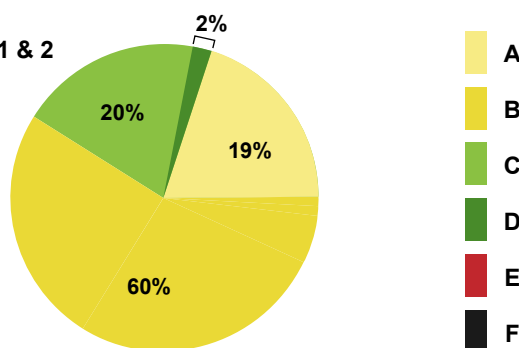
#### SEMESTER 1

A+	4%	20%	A
A	12%		
A-	4%	62%	B
B+	29%		
B	20%		
B-	13%		
C+	15%	17%	C
C	1%		
C-	1%	1%	D
D+	1%		
D	0%		
D-	0%	0%	F
F	0%		
P	0%	0%	P

#### SEMESTER 2

A+	4%	17%	A
A	12%		
A-	1%	58%	B
B+	26%		
B	17%		
B-	15%		
C+	15%	22%	C
C	4%		
C-	3%	3%	D
D+	3%		
D	0%		
D-	0%	0%	F
F	0%		
P	0%	0%	P

#### AVERAGE SEMESTER 1 & 2



### TESTING - MAP

Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) test data is used to guide curriculum design and instruction. Students in grades 3-9 sit the MAP international, standardized tests in Reading, Mathematics, and Language Usage in the first and second semesters. Fall 2019 scores were:

#### AISK Students at/above world average

	ELEMENTARY	MS/HS
READING	92%	92%
MATHEMATICS	74%	86%
LANGUAGE USAGE	88%	90%

#### SAT

- AISK is an official ETS test Center (Code: 91247).
- The PSAT, SAT, SAT Subject Area Tests exams.
- AISK 2020 students on average scored above the US national average of 1059 (class of 2019) on the SAT reasoning test.

#### Class of 2020 SAT Summary (23 students)

SECTION	MEAN
EVIDENCE BASED READING & WRITING	625
MATH	598
TOTAL	1222

#### 4 students sat 7 SAT subject tests, the scores are as follows

Math L1: 630, 550 | Math L2: 730, 800 | Literature: 610  
Biology EM: 580 | Physics: 730, 790 | US History: 750

### IB DIPLOMA PROGRAM

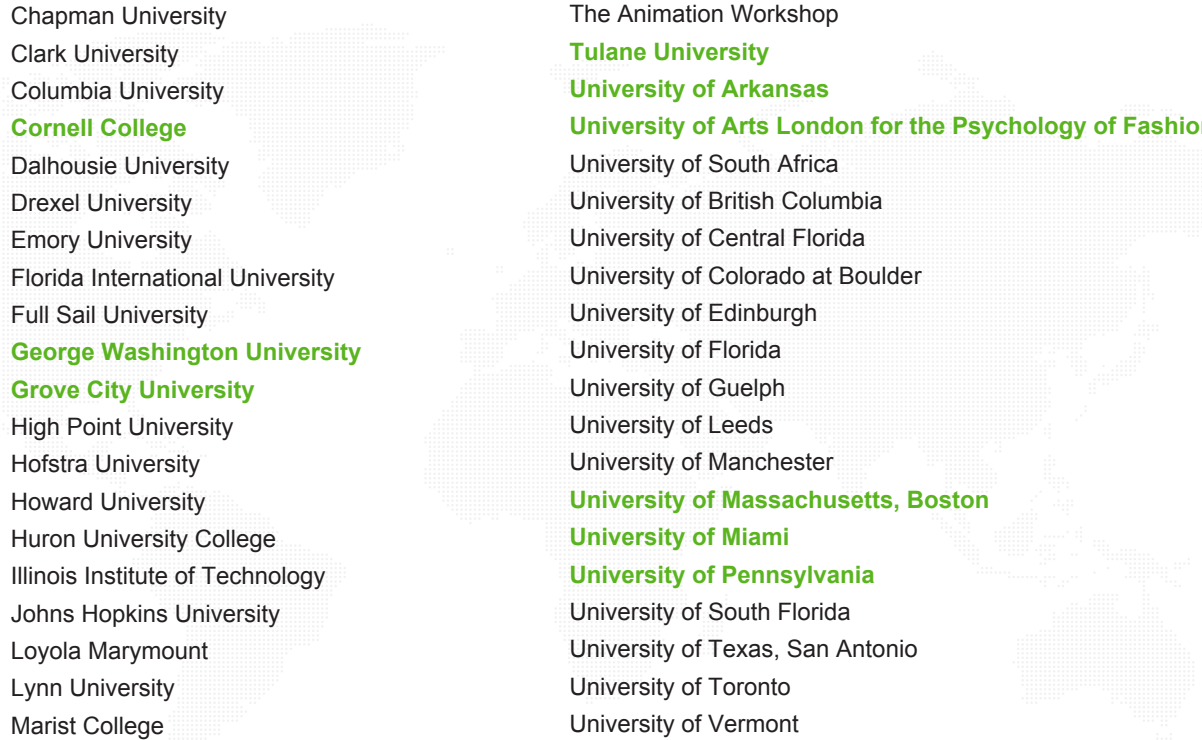
16 students sat the May 2020 IB Diploma Examinations and 12 students sat for IB course exams in May 2020. There were 179 subject entries and students scored above the global average in 44% of the courses.

#### IB EXAM RESULTS ARE:

Full IB Diploma	100% PASS RATE
IB Courses	89% PASS RATE
Highest Score	42 OUT OF 45
Average Score	5.0 OUT OF 7
Average Points	32

## 5 Year Matriculation Statistics of AISK Students | 2016 - 2020

Total Scholarships received by the Class of 2020 is \$4,706,208.00 which represents the total combination of need-based and merit-based scholarships. The average per student scholarship received from all colleges (total) is \$174,304.00



Andrews University	Pratt Institute
Art Institute of Schaumburg	<b>Red de Universidades Anáhuac</b>
Boston University	Rollins College
Bowdoin College	<b>Santa Clara University</b>
<b>Brescia University College</b>	<b>Savannah College of Art and Design</b>
British Columbia Institute of Technology	Seton Hall University
Brock University	<b>Sheridan College</b>
Brown University	<b>St. Lawrence University</b>
Bucknell University	Temple University Japan
Carleton University	Texas A&M University
Chapman University	The Animation Workshop
Clark University	<b>Tulane University</b>
Columbia University	<b>University of Arkansas</b>
<b>Cornell College</b>	<b>University of Arts London for the Psychology of Fashion</b>
Dalhousie University	University of South Africa
Drexel University	University of British Columbia
Emory University	University of Central Florida
Florida International University	University of Colorado at Boulder
Full Sail University	University of Edinburgh
<b>George Washington University</b>	University of Florida
<b>Grove City University</b>	University of Guelph
High Point University	University of Leeds
Hofstra University	University of Manchester
Howard University	<b>University of Massachusetts, Boston</b>
Huron University College	<b>University of Miami</b>
Illinois Institute of Technology	<b>University of Pennsylvania</b>
Johns Hopkins University	University of South Florida
Loyola Marymount	University of Texas, San Antonio
Lynn University	University of Toronto
Marist College	University of Vermont
<b>McGill University</b>	<b>University of Western Ontario</b>
<b>McMaster University</b>	Wellesley College
New York University (Abu Dhabi)	Western University
Northeastern University	<b>Whittier College</b>
Nova Southeastern University	Wilfrid Laurier University
<b>Palm Beach State College</b>	Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Pennsylvania State University	York University

## Historical College Admissions of AISK Students

### UNITED STATES

American University  
Amherst College  
Andrews University  
Art Institute of Chicago  
Babson College  
Ball State University  
Barnard College  
Barry University  
Baylor University  
Belmont University  
Bentley University  
Beloit College  
Binghamton University  
Blinn College  
**Brescia University College**  
Boston College  
Boston University  
Bowdoin College  
Brandeis University  
Brown University  
Bryant University  
Bucknell University  
California College of the Arts  
California State University-Sacramento  
Calvin College  
Carlos Albizu University - Florida  
Case Western Reserve University  
Chapman University  
Clark University  
Clayton State University  
College of the Holy Cross  
College of St. Rose  
College of Wooster  
Colorado State University  
Columbia College Chicago  
Columbia University  
Concordia College-New York  
**Cornell University**  
Dartmouth College  
Davidson College  
DePaul University  
Drexel University  
Duke University  
Eckerd College  
Elon University  
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University-Daytona Beach  
Emerson College  
Emory University  
Flagler College  
Florida Atlantic University  
Florida Institute of Technology  
Florida International University  
Florida Southern College  
Florida State University  
Folsom Lake College  
Fordham University  
Full Sail University  
George Mason University  
George Washington University  
Georgetown University  
Georgia Institute of Technology  
Georgia State University  
Goucher College  
**Grove City University**  
Grinnell College  
Gwinnett Technical College  
Hampden-Sydney College  
Hampshire College  
Hampton University  
High Point University  
Hofstra University  
Howard University  
Hult International Business School - San Francisco  
Indiana University Bloomington  
Ithaca College  
Jacksonville University  
James Madison University  
Johns Hopkins University  
Johnson & Wales University-Providence  
Kalamazoo College  
Kent State University

Lakehead University  
Laurentian University  
Lawrence University  
Lees-McRae College  
Louisiana State University  
Loyola Marymount University  
Loyola University Maryland  
Lynn University  
Marist College  
Marquette University  
Massachusetts College of Art and Design  
Massachusetts College of Pharmacy  
**McGill University**  
**McMaster University**  
Mercyhurst University  
Middlesex University  
Mount Holyoke College  
Muhlenberg College  
New Jersey Institute of Technology  
New York Institute of Technology  
New York University  
Northeastern University  
Northern Illinois University  
Northwest Vista College  
Northwestern University  
Nova Southeastern University  
Oakwood University  
Oberlin College of Arts and Sciences  
Occidental College  
Ohio State University  
Oxford College at Emory University  
**Palm Beach State College**  
Pennsylvania State University  
Pepperdine University  
Pomona College  
Prairie View A&M University  
Pratt Institute  
Princeton University  
Purdue University  
Quinnipiac University  
Randolph College  
Randolph-Macon College  
**Red de Universidades Anáhuac**  
Regent's University London  
Rhode Island School of Design  
Ringling College of Art and Design  
Rochester Institute of Technology  
Rollins College  
Rutgers University  
Saint Leo University  
Saint Louis University  
Sam Houston State University  
San Francisco State University  
**Santa Clara University**  
**Savannah College of Art and Design**  
School of the Art Institute of Chicago  
School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston  
School of Visual Arts  
Seattle Pacific University  
Sessions College for Professional Design  
Seton Hall University  
**Sheridan College**  
Simon Fraser University  
Smith College  
Southern Methodist University  
Southwestern University  
Spelman College  
St. Edward's University  
St. John's University  
**St Lawrence University**  
St. Mary's University of San Antonio  
St. Thomas University  
Stanford University  
State University of New York at Albany  
State University of New York at Binghamton  
State University of New York at Buffalo State  
State University of New York at Brockport  
State University of New York at Plattsburgh  
State University of New York at Fredonia  
Stephen F. Austin State University  
Stetson University  
Stony Brook University (SUNY)  
Syracuse University  
Temple University

Texas A&M International University  
Texas A&M University  
Texas A&M University-Kingsville  
Texas Christian University  
Texas Southern University  
The College of Saint Rose  
The Evergreen State College  
The Illinois Institute of Art - Schaumburg  
Trinity College  
Trinity University  
Tufts University  
**Tulane University**  
University of Alabama at Birmingham  
**University of Arkansas**  
University of Arizona  
University of Birmingham  
University of Bridgeport  
University of California, Los Angeles  
University of California, San Diego  
University of California, Santa Barbara  
University of Central Florida  
University of Chicago  
University of Cincinnati  
University of Colorado at Boulder  
University of Denver  
University of Florida  
University of Georgia  
University of Houston  
University of Illinois at Chicago  
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign  
University of Massachusetts, Amherst  
**University of Massachusetts Boston**  
**University of Miami**  
University of Maryland  
University of Minnesota  
University of North Carolina at Charlotte  
University of North Carolina School of the Arts  
University of Nebraska-Omaha  
University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill  
University of North Florida  
University of North Texas  
University of Oklahoma  
**University of Pennsylvania**  
University of Redlands  
University of Richmond  
University of Rochester  
University of San Diego  
University of San Francisco  
University of South Florida, Tampa  
University of Southern California  
University of St. Thomas  
University of Tampa  
University of Texas at San Antonio  
University of Texas, Arlington  
University of the Ozarks  
University of Vermont  
University of Virginia  
University of Warwick  
University of Washington  
University of West Florida  
University of Wisconsin, Madison  
Vanderbilt University  
Vassar College  
Virginia Commonwealth University  
Virginia Wesleyan  
Warren Wilson College  
Washington State University  
Wellesley College  
Wesleyan University  
West Texas A&M University  
Western State Colorado University  
Western University  
Wheaton College  
**Whittier College**  
Willamette University  
Woodbury University  
Worcester Polytechnic Institute  
Yale University

British Columbia Institute of Technology  
Brock University  
Dalhousie University  
Carleton University  
Humber College  
Huron University College  
King's University College  
McGill University  
McMaster University  
Ontario Tech University  
Queen's University  
Ryerson University  
Trent University  
University of British Columbia  
University of Guelph  
University of New Brunswick  
University of Ontario Institute of Technology  
University of Ottawa  
University of Saskatchewan  
University of Waterloo  
University of Toronto  
University of Victoria  
**University of Western Ontario**  
**University of Western Ontario (Brescia)**  
Wilfrid Laurier University  
York University

### FRANCE

EDMOD International Fashion University

### GERMANY

Karlsruhochschule International University

### JAMAICA

Edna Manley College  
University of The West Indies

### JAPAN

Sophia University

### SOUTH AFRICA

Damelin College

### SOUTH KOREA

Sookmyung University

### UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

New York University (Abu Dhabi)

### UNITED KINGDOM

Brunel University London  
City University London  
DeMontfort University  
Hull International Business School London  
Middlesex University  
Queen Mary University London  
Regent's University London  
Royal Holloway University London  
University of Aberdeen  
University of Abertay Dundee  
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University of Edinburgh  
University of Essex  
University of Hertfordshire  
University of Kent  
University of Leeds  
University of Manchester  
University of Nottingham  
University of Reading  
University of Roehampton London  
University of Salford  
University of Stirling  
University of West London

### Bulgaria

Medical University of Varna

### CANADA

Art Institute of Vancouver  
Brescia University