



Almaty International School

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Community and School:

Almaty International School is a member of Quality Schools International (QSI), a consortium of non-profit college-preparatory schools following an American-style curriculum. QSI has 35 schools in 29 countries and 5 continents. Headquarters is located in Malta. AIS was founded in 1993 and is affiliated with the U.S. Dept. of State Office of Overseas Schools. AIS is a private, non-profit international school with an American college preparatory curriculum. English is the language of instruction.

Philosophy:

Almaty International School believes in a personal approach to instruction leading to mastery within a positive and enjoyable learning environment. It offers a challenging academic curriculum for students age 3 through 18. Studies are tailored to meet the needs of each individual student.

Covid 19 Impact:

During the COVID 19 pandemic, Almaty International school, following the Republic of Kazakhstan's guidelines, was able to finish 2019-20 with distance learning. The 20-21 school year began with distance learning, but the students were able to move to face-to-face learning by the 3rd quarter.

Accreditation:

Quality Schools International is fully accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools.

Faculty:

Almaty International School employs one Director, two Directors of Instruction, one Secondary Counselor, one Elementary Counselor, one Athletic Director, 48 full-time foreign teachers, 16 Russian, Kazakh, and world Language teachers, plus many support staff including office staff and IT support.

Graduation Requirements:

Academic Diploma: The minimum requirements for the Academic Diploma are 240 QSI units (24 Carnegie) in the following areas of concentration:

- English Literacy (80 units)
- Math (30 units)
- Science (30 units)
- Cultural Studies (40 units)
- PE/Wellness (20 units)
- World Languages (20 units)
- Fine Arts (10 units)
- Electives (minimum 10 units)

The academic Diploma provides a rigorous course of study for those intending to matriculate to university. Students who successfully complete at least 2 AP courses as well as all above requirements will earn an Academic Diploma with Honors.

Curriculum:

Almaty International School follows an American college preparatory curriculum including Advanced Placement (AP) classes. In addition to its scholastic goals, AIS endeavors to provide its students with a specialized program including both Russian and Kazakh language and culture. To guide students toward healthy lifestyles and good citizenship, QSI curriculum includes instruction in Success Orientations—seven areas of character development.

General Diploma: The General Diploma is available to students who experience English language difficulties, time restraints, or other challenges that make it impractical to pursue an academic diploma. The minimum requirements for the General Diploma are 220 QSI units in the following areas:

- English Literacy (50 units)
- Math (20 units)
- Science (20 units)
- Cultural Studies (30 units)
- PE/Wellness (20 units)
- World Languages (20 units)
- Fine Arts (10 units)
- Electives (50 units)

AP Capstone Diploma: AIS offers this for students who successfully complete AP Seminar and AP Research with a 3 or better along with 4 other AP exams of choice.

Enrollment:

Almaty International School encompasses Pre-K through Secondary IV (grade 12) with a current enrollment of 400. The middle school enrollment is 76 and there are 137 students in the high school. AIS represents 25 different nationalities with 14% being students of the United States.

Credits:

Year-long courses are divided into 10 units, with 10 units equal to 1 Carnegie Unit. Students receive credit only for units mastered at an A or B level. Secondary transcripts show the number of units completed for each course per school year and the average grade for the units completed in each course. The transcript is a living document with units added as completed.

Grading System:

Teachers evaluate mastery of each essential unit with an A or B. B represents mastery at a sufficiently high level, and A represents mastery at a sufficiently high level with the student consistently demonstrating higher-order thinking skills. Mediocre or poor work, resulting in Cs and Ds is not accepted, as students are required to engage in a unit until they achieve mastery. Students who master a unit with a B evaluation may attempt to demonstrate a higher level of mastery within a given time period to achieve the A. There are no quarter, semester, or term evaluation periods; student performance is assessed on each unit of study as they are completed.

Advanced Placement: 2020-2021

AP students enrolled: **58**

Exams taken: **87**

Mean score: **3.1**

Score of 3, 4, or 5: **73%**

Class Rank:

Due to the mobility of our student population and the relatively small cohort sizes, class rank is not available.

Graduate SAT Data: 2020-2021

Mean Composite: **1273**

Critical Reading: **620**

Mathematics: **671**

AP Courses:

Almaty International School offers a variety of AP courses in an effort to help students better prepare for the rigors of university. Students also have access to online AP courses through QSI Virtual School (QVS).

*Denotes rotating basis

AP Art
AP Calculus AB
AP Statistics
AP Biology
AP Chemistry
AP Env. Science
AP Physics 1
AP
Capstone/Research
AP Music Theory

AP Seminar
AP Language/AP Literature*
AP Human Geography*
AP World History
AP Micro/Macro Economics*
AP Spanish Language
AP French language
AP Computer Science
Principles
Pre-AP English

University Acceptances for Recent AIS Graduates

United States

Adelphi University
American University
Amherst College
Bluegrass Comm. Tech. College
Brown University
Boston University
Colorado School of Mines
Colorado State University
Drexel University
Florida Institute of Technology
Fordham University
George Washington University
Harvard University
John Jay College Criminal Justice
Marymount Manhattan College
Massachusetts Institute of Tech.
Michigan State University
New York Film Academy
New York University
Northwestern University
Pennsylvania State University
Pomona College
Reed College
Rochester Institute of Technology
Savannah College of Art & Design
St. John's University
Stony Brook University
State University New York
Suffolk University
Tufts University
Tulane University
UIC Global
University of California Berkeley
University of California Davis
University of California Irvine
University of California Santa Barbara
University of California Santa Cruz
University of Colorado Boulder
University of Illinois
University of Kansas
University of La Verne
University of Minnesota
University of Missouri
University of the Pacific
University of Pennsylvania

University of Rochester
University of San Francisco
University of South Carolina
University of Texas
University of Vermont
University of Virginia
University of Washington
University of Wisconsin
US Coast Guard Academy
Washington State University

Canada

Algonquin College
Bishop's University
Carleton University
Concordia University
Dalhousie University
McGill University
Mt. St. Vincent University
Queen's University
Ryerson University
Simon Fraser University
University of Alberta
University of British Columbia
University of Calgary
University of Toronto
Vancouver Island University
Western University
York University

Kazakhstan/Asia:

City University of Hong Kong
Kazakh-British Tech. University
KIMEP University
Korea University
Ningbo University
Yonsei University
Wuhan University

Other Countries:

Australian National University
Bahcesehir University
Heriot Watt University Dubai
University of Delhi

United Kingdom:

Aberystwyth University
Cambridge College London
Canterbury Christ Church Univ.
Cardiff University
City University London
Clark University
Coventry University
Earlscliffe University
Hult Business School
Manchester Metropolitan Univ.
Middlesex University
Trinity University
University College Cambridge
University of Aberdeen
University of Bath
University of Brighton
University of Bristol
University of Cambridge
University of Chester
University of Edinburgh
University of St. Andrew's
University of Sussex
University of the Arts
Westminster University

Europe:

American University of Paris
Ecole Hoteliere Lausanne
Erasmus University
Franklin University
Glon Inst. School of Hospitality
Hanze University Of Applied Science
Hotel School the Hague
IE University
Jacobs University
Leiden University
Les Roches Int'l School Hotel Mgmt
John Cabot University Italy
LCC International University
Paris Institute of Political Studies
Ramon Llull University
St. Louis University Spain
University of Vienna
Vytautas Magnus University