

HIGH SCHOOL

HIGH SCHOOL IS ABOUT SELF-DISCOVERY, MAKING CONNECTIONS, BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS AND CHANNELING OUR COLLECTIVE ENERGY.





5 REASONS TO APPLY TODAY

 ASH is the best choice for students with global aspirations: we are the only school in the Netherlands offering both Advanced Placement (AP) and the International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Programme.

WELCOME TO HIGH SCHOOL



450 Students in High School

Extracurricular Clubs and Activities

100 +

78 High School Faculty **74** Student Nationalities at ASH



- 2 Athletics are a vibrant part of school life. Trojan student-athletes represent ASH, competing against the best schools in Europe.
- 3 Offering over 100 extracurricular activities, ASH encourages students to try out new things and discover their talents and passions.
- 4 Our curriculum keeps pace with the world our students will graduate into: we now offer robotics, game design, and continue to develop new courses that meet the needs and interests of our students.
- 5 Every student has a dedicated counselor to support their personal growth and academic choices for a successful future.

WE BUILD A BETTER WORLD AS WE BECOME BETTER HUMAN BEINGS

We believe there is potential in everyone. We integrate learning of concepts, skills, attitudes and character in a diverse, inclusive and caring community. Independent exploration, personal motivation through choice, facilitated collaboration, and overall well-being help ignite our passions, and inspire our path in life.















HIGH SCHOOL CURRICULUM

We offer four programs: the International Baccalaureate (IB), Advanced Placement (AP), ASH courses, and High School Special Education (HSSE). Throughout High School, students are encouraged to explore and consider their options and to embrace the opportunity to make their own pathways towards their goals.

PATHWAYS: WITH CHOICES COME OPPORTUNITIES

The more opportunities that are given to students in Grades 9 and 10, the more they are likely to refine what they want to do in Grades 11 and 12, which allows them to build a broad range of skills over time.

Discovering interests is an important step that helps students work towards exploring what they might want to do after graduating. Throughout High School, we also support students as they navigate college and career opportunities, ranging from individual counseling meetings to workshops and college fairs.



GRADES 9 AND 10

In Grades 9 and 10, students take core classes and choose electives to start obtaining credits that count towards graduation. Grade-level requirements for Grades 9 and 10 include:

- English
- Math
- Science
- Social Studies
- Modern Language
- PE/Health
- Arts
- Electives



Explore Interests And Unlock New Talents

With increased opportunities during Grades 9 and 10, students are able to follow their interests and aspirations by the time they reach Grades 11 and 12. This progression enables them to develop a broad spectrum of skills over the course of their education. Some options, for example Game Design or Food Science, take one semester to complete while others, such as Public Speaking or Photography, take a full year.

"By offering choice and variety, students are encouraged to engage and see how things can work together differently through interdisciplinary lenses, what it means in the field, and how the school and teachers can support them to experience that. The opportunity of choice also helps students grow as themselves, and not into a mold." **David Munro, High School Principal**





ASH is accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC), founded on the principle that self-reflection and candid feedback are essential to ongoing educational success.

CURRICULUM PATHWAYS FOR GRADES 11 AND 12

In Grade 11 students will embark on one of our pathways towards graduation. Our High School team of administrators, faculty and counselors all support students in helping them design a path that gets to where they want to go. At ASH, we organize and support college fairs, career days, CareerQuest, and other initiatives that inform students and their family of the choices that lie ahead.

Most students who aspire to go to a university create a pathway that combines the ASH High School Diploma with AP Courses or the IB Diploma.

ASH HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA REQUIREMENTS

Distribution Area	Credits
English	4
Social Studies	3
Mathematics	3
Science	3
Modern Languages	2
Arts	2
Physical & Health Education	2
Other Electives	5
Total Minimum Credits Required	24

All High School students who meet the graduation criteria of obtaining 24 course credits will be awarded the ASH High School Diploma.

Course credits can be also fulfilled by IB or AP courses, which is what might be required if a student is planning to apply for a university program.

ONLY AT ASH: ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP)

This rigorous program is developed by the United States-based College Board and gives students an opportunity to take college-level courses and exams while they are still in high school. Advanced Placement credits are accepted at colleges and universities around the world as a viable path to enrollment.





AP DIPLOMA Students can aspire to be awarded the AP International Diploma or the AP Capstone Diploma

AP COURSES ASH students are required AP exam scores. ASH students to take the courses prior to the have consistently outperformed exam. We offer a wide range of AP courses.

In 2023, ASH was recognized as a leader in AP Computer Science A, which saw 50% or higher female representation in the course.

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE (IB)

This international program is designed as a comprehensive curriculum and prepares students for university acceptance throughout the world, as well as for advanced standing at many universities around the world.

Students can go for the IB Diploma or gather IB course certificates.





2 YEARS IB courses take 2 years each.

I YEAR

AP courses take one

year each.

AP RESULTS

Course results are based on

global averages.

IB COURSES

IB courses are divided into 6 subject groups. Within each group we offer a wide range of course options, which can be taken at Standard Level or Higher Level.

IB RESULTS

Course results are based on class participation, assignments and IB exam scores. ASH students continue to outperform global averages on exam results.

IB DIPLOMA

Students can aspire to be awarded the IB diploma by meeting course selection and grade requirements, as well as complete 'Creativity, action, service' (CAS) requirements, the extended essay, and Theory of Knowledge coursework.



GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP AND SERVICE LEARNING

We offer hands-on experiences where students can explore interests in new contexts and broaden their perspectives of the world and themselves. One example is participation in Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) trips to Nepal, Thailand and Belgium.

IB students can create a service learning project within CAS for themselves, like volunteering at a local organization. Elena, Grade 12: "For my service hours, I volunteer at the elderly home that's close to the school every Friday."

From teaching locally-resettled refugees how to ride bicycles to caring for animals at the nearby petting zoo, many of our students choose to dedicate their time and energy to causes they believe in even after the school day ends.

ATHLETICS AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

We encourage students to take advantage of our after-school and athletics programs. Students can train in our best-in-class facilities and compete internationally in a range of sports including basketball, track & field, and soccer. Students can also choose to get on stage for our performing arts productions, join Model United Nations (MUN), National Honor Society (NHS), Speech and Debate, Robotics Club or any of our many student-led clubs.

HIGH SCHOOL PLACEMENT GUIDE

Age By October 1st	ASH	IB	Dutch System	British System
14	Grade 9	MYP4	3e Klas	Year 10
15	Grade 10	MYP5	4e Klas	Year 11
16	Grade I I	IBT	5e Klas	Year 12
17	Grade 12	IB2	6e Klas	Year 13

THE HOME-SCHOOL CONNECTION

Community is at the center of the ASH experience. Our faculty, staff, parents, and students all work together to build great experiences and make the most of our diversity in everything we do.

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