



ALMATY INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

School Profile ~ 2026-2027

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Enrollment

- Pre-K through Secondary IV (12th grade)
- 466 total students
- 220 Secondary I-IV students
- 29 nationalities represented
- 13% of the student population is American

GPA and Rank in Class

Due to the mobility of our student population and the relatively small cohort sizes, class rank is not provided. The cumulative GPA on the student's transcript only reflects courses taken at QSI. Grades from previous schools are not included in the GPA but they are listed on student transcripts.

GPA

The Class of 2026 achieved the following cumulative GPAs by the end of Secondary III (11th grade); only AIS grades are included.

3.75-4.0	36 Students
3.50-3.74	9 Students
3.25-3.49	3 Students
3.00-3.24	0 Students

Almaty International School (AIS) is a member of Quality Schools International (QSI), a consortium of nonprofit college-preparatory schools following an American-style, international curriculum.

Almaty international School embraces the mastery learning educational philosophy, leading to appropriately challenging instruction within a positive and enjoyable learning environment. Studies are tailored to meet each students needs.

HISTORY & ACADEMICS

- Founded in 1993
- Fully accredited by Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools
- Affiliated with the U.S. Department of State Office of Overseas Schools
- American college preparatory curriculum
- Private, nonprofit international school
- Language of instruction: English
- AP course offered onsite; online AP courses offered as needed

SAT DATA

SAT was administered to Secondary III and IV students in the 2022-2023 school year. All scores, including those from non-native English speakers, are included. Almaty International School Mean SAT score:

Reading-648

Mathematics-602



Location: Almaty, Kazakhstan

Population: ~2,400,000

2026-2027 COURSE OFFERINGS

English:

Literature I & II
Writing I & II
British Literature
American Literature
Creative Writing
Media & Publications
Research Project
AP Research
AP Seminar
AP Literature & Composition
AP Language & Composition

Science:

Environmental Science
Biology
Chemistry
Physics
AP Biology
AP Chemistry
AP Physics 1
AP Physics C
AP Environmental Science

Mathematics:

Algebra
Geometry
Statistics
Algebra II
AP Precalculus
AP Statistics
AP Calculus AB & BC

Cultural Studies:

World Geography
Modern World History
USA History
Economics
World Governments
Psychology
Kazakh History
AP Human Geography
AP World History-Modern
AP Macroeconomics
AP Microeconomics
AP Comparative Governments
AP US History
AP Psychology

Technology:

Technology I & II
Programming
Game Design
AP Computer Science P
AP Computer Science A

Health and PE:

Physical Education
Health & Fitness I

Fine Arts:

Art
Drama
Instrumental Music
Vocal Music
AP 2D Art and Design
AP 3D Art and Design
AP Drawing

Languages:

Kazakh
Russian
French
Spanish

ADVANCED PLACEMENT

Almaty International School offers students the opportunity to select Advanced Placement (AP) courses to take on an individual basis. No weight is added to AP course grades.

2026 AP Program Statistics:

- 128 AP students
- 293 AP exams
- 91% of total scores were 3+

CREDITS

Year-long courses are divided into 10 units, and the 10 units are 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

Mastery of each essential unit is evaluated with an A or B (mastery grades). B denotes mastery of learning outcomes at a high level of understanding. A represents mastery where the student demonstrates higher order thinking skills. Mediocre or poor work, resulting in Cs and Ds, is not acceptable, and students will re-engage until they demonstrate mastery. Students who master a unit with a B evaluation may attempt to demonstrate a higher level of mastery at a later time, within that current school year, to change the evaluation to an A. Time periods (quarters, semesters, and terms) are not evaluated. Assessment is continuous and student performance is assessed on learning outcomes and units of study.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

General Diploma: 220 QSI Unit Credits (22 Carnegie Units)

*Available to students who experience English language difficulties, time restraints, or other challenges that make it impractical to pursue an academic diploma

English (40), Science (20), Technology (10), Mathematics (20), Fine Arts (10), Personal Health (20), Foreign Language (20), Cultural Studies (30), Electives (50)

Academic Diploma: 240 QSI Unit Credits (24 Carnegie Units)

English (70), Science (30), Technology (10), Mathematics (30), Fine Arts (10), Personal Health (20), Foreign Language (20), Cultural Studies (40), Electives (10)

Academic Diploma with Honors: 240 QSI Unit Credits (24 Carnegie Units)

Academic Diploma with Honors: 240 QSI Unit Credits (24 Carnegie Units)

An Academic with Honors Diplomas is awarded to students who complete all the requirements for an Academic Diploma as well as at least 2 AP courses.

AP Capstone Diploma

The AP Capstone Diploma through College Board is awarded to students who successfully complete AP Seminar and AP Research with a 3 or higher on the exams as well as taking at least 4 other AP exams.

RECENT UNIVERSITY MATRICULATION

United States

American University
Bentley University
Boston College
Boston University
Colorado State University
College of Charleston
Columbia University
Cornell University
George Washington University
Indiana University
Michigan State University
New York University
Northeastern University
Northwestern University
Parsons The New School
Penn State University
Purdue University
Rutgers University
Syracuse University

Europe

American University of Paris
Anglo-American University of Prague
Charles University
Hanze University of Applied Science

Heidelberg University

Heriot-Watt University
IE University
Jacobs University
John Cabot University of Rome
Leiden University
Luiss Guido Carli
University of Amsterdam
University of Groningen
University of Seville
Utrecht University
Warsaw University

Canada

McGill University
Toronto Film School
University of British Columbia
University of Calgary
University of Toronto
University of Waterloo

United Kingdom

Exeter University
Leeds University
Trinity University- Dublin
Manchester University
University College of Dublin
University of Birmingham
University of Edinburgh
University of Glasgow
University of Richmond
University of West London
Warwick University

Kazakhstan/Asia

Duke Kunshan University
De Montfort University- Kazakhstan
Murdoch University Dubai
The Hong Kong Polytechnic University
KazGASA
New York University- Shanghai
Nazarbayev University