

School Profile 2016-2017

THE AMERICAN SCHOOL OF TEGUCIGALPA



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MISSION STATEMENT

The American School is a student-centered, college preparatory institution that fosters globally-responsible citizens and leaders by offering a rigorous, international education which promotes core values in a safe, innovative, and collaborative environment.

SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY

The American School of Tegucigalpa is celebrating 70 years of excellence serving students from 15 nations. English is the language of primary instruction. Students complete a Honduran Bachillerato, the High School Diploma and the International Baccalaureate; IB Diploma and Certificates are optional. Spanish as a second language is offered to international students. AST's facilities consist of 90 classrooms, including 4 Science and 4 computer laboratories with 30 terminals each, 800 chromebooks, 200 iPads and wireless internet access throughout campus. A separate computer technology center is available for teachers. Jefferson Valle Media Center provides facilities that serve Pre-School and Elementary as well as Middle and High School students. The center has 47 computers, 12 chromebooks, 9 laptops, and 6 kindles. Students can access 24/7 Destiny-school's online catalog and safe search tool. To support research the school subscribes to ABC-CLIO, Noodle Tools, and EBSCOhost; also available to students online. The collection houses more than 52,000 printed volumes, 880 eBooks, and a curriculum-tied AV collection. The media center also subscribes to 13 printed magazines, some of them with online access.

CALENDAR

The school year consists of 182 days divided into 2 semesters. The first semester begins in August and second semester in January. Grades are issued quarterly. The school day begins at 7:30 am and ends at 2:30 pm.

ENROLLMENT

Total enrollment at AST for the 2016-2017 school year is 1116 students. The high school enrollment is 299 of which 79 are seniors. Approximately 5% of the students are US citizens, 94% are Honduran and 1% of other nationalities.

FACULTY

There are 125 full time faculty members including 13 administrators. 46% are international and 54% Honduran. 93% are fully bilingual and 61% hold at least one masters Degree.

ACCREDITATION

AST is accredited by Advanced ED and the International Baccalaureate Program. The Honduran Ministry of Education grants the national degree of Bachillerato to students who comply with additional credits and 160 hours of community service.

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

The activities sponsored by staff after school include Operation Smile, Art Club, Bible Study, Knowledge Bowl, Student Council, Math Olympics, Environmental Club, Honduras Project, Cheerleading, Cross Country, Science Club, Band, Extiende tu Mano, Jóvenes en Acción, Casitas Kennedy, Bencaeth Orphanage. Our students also collaborate in fund-raising activities for children with cerebral palsy, homeless and senior citizens. Students attend leadership conferences such as HACIA Democracy, Model United Nations and Junior State of America.

SPORTS

The AST offers the opportunity for athletic competition in three varsity sports: cross country, basketball, soccer and volleyball. AST teams compete nationally and internationally against schools affiliated with the Association of Bilingual Schools of Honduras (ABSH) and the Association of American Schools of Central America (AASCA). During the academic year 2015-2016, AST won 6 national tournaments 3 in basketball and 3 in soccer; also 2 Central American championships, 1 soccer and 1 in Basketball.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Subject	Credits for US Program (9th-12th)	Credits for Honduran Program (7th-12th)
English	4.0 credits	5.0 credits
Social Studies	4.0 credits	8.0 credits
Math	3.0 credits	5.0 credits
Science	3.0 credits	9.0 credits
Spanish	2.0 credits	5.0 credits
PE/Health	2.0 credits	5.0 credits
Fine Arts	2.0 credits	3.0 credits
Electives	4.0 credits	11.0 credits

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YEARS OF
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1946
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INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE

The IB curriculum was first adopted by AST in the year 2000. The following IB courses are currently in AST.

English A1	HL
Spanish A1	HL
Spanish B	SL, HL
French Ab Initio	SL
French B	SL
History of the Americas	HL
Psychology	SL
Biology	SL
Chemistry	SL
Math	SL, Studies
Visual Arts	SL

Percentage scale is based on Honduran Ministry of Education's requirements.

Grade Point Average scale is based on the traditional U.S. grading system. GPA is calculated on a 4.0 scale based on the number of times per week each subject is offered. The GPA is weighted for students who are International Baccalaureate Diploma candidates and certificate seekers. All subjects are taken into consideration in order to calculate the G.P.A.

POST HIGH SCHOOL PLANS, CLASS 2015-2016

ATTENDING	PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL
4 Year colleges in North America	63%
2 Years college in U.S.A.	3%
Universities Worldwide	16%
Honduran Universities	12%
Gap Year	6%

SAT MEAN SCORES

CLASS	CRITICAL READING	RANGE	MATH	RANGE
2012-2013	493	340 - 670	532	340 - 710
2013-2014	503	380 - 690	521	370 - 740
2014-2015	537	310-710	542	420-690
2015-2016	542	380-800	585	370-800

For 97% of AST students, English is their language of instruction yet not their native language.

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE 2015-2016

- ⇒ 99.7% of all IB students passed their courses
- ⇒ 87% of all IB students earned the IB Diploma
- ⇒ 40% were full IB diploma candidates
- ⇒ The average score was 4.95 (on the 1-7 IB scale)
- ⇒ The highest score earned by a Full Diploma Candidate was 39 points

DISTRIBUTION OF GRADES 2015-2016

GRADES	PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL
A (93-100)	26%
B (85-92)	50%
C (78-84)	21%
D (70-77)	3%
F (0-69)	0%

Overall class average: 89%, Highest average grade: 99%, Lowest average grade: 76%, Passing grade for year 2015-2016: 70%

UNIVERSITY MATRICULATION 2015-2016**CANADA:**

Brock University
University of Ottawa

EUROPE:

IE University
Nuova Accademia di Belle Arti
Universidad de Navarra
University of Groningen

LATIN AMERICAN:

UNITEC
Universidad Católica de Honduras
Universidad Nacional Autónoma de Honduras

ASIA:

Taipei Medical University

UNITED STATES :

American University
Bentley University
Blinn College
Boston College
Brown University
Chapman University
Coastal Carolina College
Emory University
Georgia Southern University
Lehigh University
The George Washington University
Louisiana State University
Loyola University Chicago
Loyola University New Orleans
Lynn University
Mercer University

Mercyhurst University
New York University Abu Dhabi
Northeastern University
Oglethorpe University
Providence College
Purdue University
Saint Leo University
St. Edward's University
St. Mary's University
Stonehill College
Suffolk University
Texas Christian University
Trevecca Nazarene University
Tufts University
University of Notre Dame
University of Tampa
Worcester Polytechnic Institute

* A list of accepted and matriculated students is available in the American School of Tegucigalpa website.