

SCHOOL PROFILE



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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 73 years of excellence serving students from 16 nations. English is the language of primary instruction. The American School of Tegucigalpa offers three different diplomas: the Honduran Bachillerato, the High School Diploma and the International Baccalaureate Diploma. IB Certificates are also available for students. 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, 320 Chromebooks and 200 iPads are available for Elementary School students; and a 1-1 Chromebook program for Middle and High School students. Wireless internet access is available throughout campus and a separate computer technology center is available for teachers. The Jefferson Valle Media Center has 40 computers, 14 Chromebooks, 12 laptops, and 11 Kindles for the school community use. To support research the school subscribes to ABC-Clio, Noodle Tools and EBSCOhost, all available to students online. The physical collection houses more than 60,000 printed volumes, 1200 e-books, and a curriculum-tied AV collection. AST provides the Bridge U platform to support our students careers pathway and university applications.

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 2019-2020 school year is 1,100 students. The high school enrollment is 293 of which 73 are seniors. Approximately 4% of the students are US citizens, 94% are Honduran and 2% of other nationalities.

FACULTY

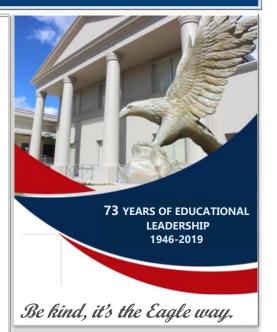
There are 157 full time faculty members, 21% are international and 79% Honduran. 93% are fully bilingual and 62% hold at least one masters degree.

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.

SPORTS

AST offers the opportunity for athletic competition in four 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).



GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Subject	Credits for US Program (9th-12th)	Credits for Honduran Program
English	4.0 credits	6.0 credits
Social Studies	4.0 credits	9.0 credits
Math	3.0 credits	6.0 credits
Science	3.0 credits	6.0 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

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

The activities sponsored by staff after school include Operation Smile, Art Club, Bible Study, DECA, STEM, Robotics, Knowledge Bowl, Student Council, Math Olympics, Environmental Club, School Helping Schools, SALSA, One for one Club, Cheerleading, Cross Country, Science Club, Band, Extiende tu Mano, The Honduras Project/CEPUDO, Miqueas, Habitat for Humanity, Bencaleth Orphanage.

Our students also collaborate in fund-raising activities for children with cerebral palsy, homeless and senior citizens. Students attend leadership conferences such as AASCA Leadership, HACIA Democracy, Model United Nations and Junior State of America.

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE

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

Business Management HL

English A: Language and Literature HL

History of the Americas HL

Spanish A: Language and Literature HL

Spanish B HL

Biology SL

Chemistry SL

French Ab Initio SL

Math Studies SL

Math SI

Psychology SL

Visual Arts SL

IB DATA FROM 2018-2019

- * 99% of all IB students scored 3 or higher for their final marks.
- 99% of Full Diploma candidates seek the Bilingual Diploma.
- * 96% of all IB Full Diploma candidates earned the IB Diploma.
- * 89 % of our students took at least one IB Course.
- * 77% of our students took 3 or more IB Courses.
- 33% of all seniors graduated as full IB Diploma candidates in addition to the HS Diploma and the Honduran Bachillerato.

SAT MEAN SCORES

CLASS	EBRW	RANGE	MATH	RANGE
2017-2018	565	350-750	563	340-750
2018-2019	557	350-760	557	410-730

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

ACT MEAN SCORES

2017-2019 Composite score average is 26 points

Percentage scale is based on the 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. At AST, IB courses are given a 1.0 additional weight. Subjects both IB and non IB are taken into consideration in order to calculate the G.P.A.

DISTRIBUTION OF GRADES 2018-2019

GRADES	PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL
A (93-100)	37%
B (85-92)	45%
C (78-84)	17%
D (70-77)	1%
F (0-69)	0%

POST HIGH SCHOOL PLANS, CLASS 2018-2019

ATTENDING	PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL	
4 year colleges in North America	47%	
2 year colleges in U.S.A.	4%	
Universities abroad	23%	
Honduran universities	26%	

UNIVERSITY MATRICULATION 2018-2019

ASIA

Ming Chuan University of Taipei Nanyang Technological University National Taiwan University

CANADA

Concordia University Thompson River University Memorial University

EUROPE

IE University
Instituto Maragoni Milan
La Salle University Barcelona
NHL Stenden University of Applied Sciences
The Hague University of Applied Sciences
The University of Edinburgh
Universidad Carlos III de Madrid
Universidad CEU San Pablo
Universidad de Navarra
Universidad Europea de Valencia

LATIN AMERICAN

Universidad de Monterrey
Tecnológico de Monterrey
Universdad Anahuac Cancun
Universidad Iberoamericana, Mexico
Universidad Católica de Tegucigalpa
Universidad Nacional Autónoma de Honduras
Universidad Pedro Valdivia, Chile
Universidad Tecnológica Centroamericana

UNITED STATES

American University
Ann Arundel Community College
Austin Community College
Bentley University
Collin Community College
Emmanuel College
Florida Memorial University

Gannon University Georgia Southern University **Granite State College** Louisiana State University Loyola University Chicago Loyola University New Orleans Lynn University New York Institute of Technology Northeastern University **Purdue University** Sam Houston State Uniersity Southern Methodist University St. Edward's University **Texas Cristian University** The George Washington University **Trinity University** University of North Carolina Chapel Hill University of Pennsylvania Wentworth Institute of Technology