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# Osaka YMCA International School 23-24 MYP-DP School Profile

## OYIS Mission Statement

We are committed to empowering our students to become independent and globally-minded. We will create an engaging learning environment by providing educational excellence through global mindedness and the core YMCA values of building a healthy spirit, mind, and body.

## Our School and Community

Located in the heart of Osaka Prefecture, just a 15-minute walk away from Umeda Station, Osaka YMCA International School (OYIS) is an independent, not-for-profit, school for students from Preschool to Grade 12. Opened in 2001, it serves the needs of the multicultural, international and internationally-minded community of the Kansai region of Japan. We welcome students whose parents work in the international business community as well as Japanese nationals and other long-term residents of the Kansai region. Osaka is considered to be Japan's economic hub and is the largest city in western Japan. Due to its central location and its role as an international port city, many students commute from other prefectures such as Hyogo, Kyoto and Shiga. OYIS is proud to be the only IB continuum school in Osaka City, teaching more than 300 students hailing from 26 countries. We offer the IB's Primary Years Programme (PYP), Middle Years Programme (MYP) and Diploma Programme (DP).

OYIS is an inclusive, co-educational, day school that enrolls students with diverse interests, creative talents and service-minded beliefs who benefit from the programmes we offer. The MYP/DP faculty consists of experienced, fully-qualified teachers from more than a dozen countries around the world. School-wide, the student-teacher ratio is approximately 7:1. The 180-day school year is divided into two semesters, starting in late-August and finishing in mid-June.



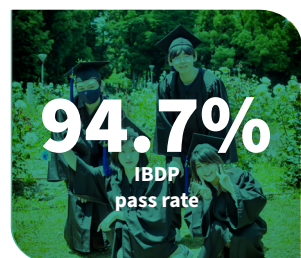
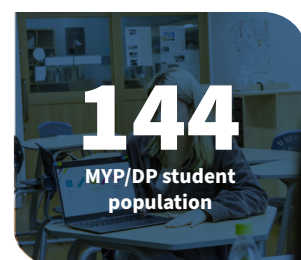
## Accreditation, Curriculum and Activities

OYIS is accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) and is an authorised three programme IB World School. OYIS was authorized in 2021 to offer the IB Diploma. Students in Grades 11 and 12 have a choice of three pathways: the IB Diploma, the IB Course or the WASC-accredited OYIS Diploma. All qualifying students also receive an accredited OYIS High School diploma.

OYIS offers a wide range of extracurricular activities, including: Chess Club, Gardening Club, The OYISter Newspaper, Performing Arts, Robotics (VEX & First Lego League), Dance, Student Government, Model United Nations and more.

Sports include: Badminton, Basketball, Volleyball, Cross Country, and Soccer.

## OYIS MYP/DP At a Glance



“Thanks to the IB Diploma Programme I had great opportunities to learn about myself more deeply and grow as a better person with self-management, thinking, and interpersonal skills.

I have no doubt that all students who took the IB Diploma will become awesome global citizens.

- Grace, Class of 2023





# MYP Personal Project Results 2023

Subject Results - Grade Distribution															
Subject	Number of Candidates	Grade										Average Grade (school)	Average Grade (Worldwide)	Highest Grade	Lowest Grade
		7	6	5	4	3	2	1	P	N					
Subject Group															
Personal Project My English	21	1	5	9	6	0	0	0	0	0	5.05	4.05	7	4	
Personal Project My Japanese	2	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	4.50	4.05	5	4	

## Curriculum and Grading in the DP

The IBDP aims to provide students with a rigorous and balanced education that encourages academic quality, a service-minded approach to life and an appreciation of other cultures and beliefs. Courses are examined externally in May of Grade 12, but all have at least an internally assessed component that is externally moderated.

## Graduation Requirements

To graduate with an IB Diploma, students must meet all external requirements set by the International Baccalaureate. These include a minimum score of 24 in six subjects, as well as successful completion of the Theory of Knowledge, Extended Essay, and CAS components.

## Graduation Pathways

- Osaka YMCA International School WASC Diploma and the IB Diploma
- Osaka YMCA International School WASC Diploma and IB Course
- Osaka YMCA International School WASC Diploma

## Grading Descriptors

7	Consistently attained an outstanding level of achievement.
6	Attained an excellent level of achievement.
5	Attained a good level of achievement.
4	Attained a satisfactory level of achievement
3	Attained the minimum level of achievement
2	Has not attained the minimum level of achievement
1	Has not met the requirement of the course
N/A	Non Applicable

The above grade descriptors are a compilation of the characteristics of performance at each grade for DP courses in general, and are intended to help explain the academic achievement required to achieve a particular grade. Examiners use the individual subject group descriptors when determining grade boundaries for examination papers and coursework components, and when marking student work.

## OYIS High School Pathways to Graduation

	OYIS DP Full Dipoma	Diploma Courses Pathway	OYIS High School Diploma
Overview	A demanding, wide-ranging, highly academic programme, leading to both the full IBDP Diploma and the accredited High School Diploma.	A challenging, broad-based and balanced programme, leading to externally assessed certificates and the accredited High School Diploma.	An accessible, rigorous, internally-assessed selection of courses leading to the WASC-accredited High School Diploma.
Pathway is designed for	High-achieving students who excel in balancing demanding workloads, are independent learners, and thrive on academic challenges. They require the full IBDP for their desired university or post-secondary institution.	Students who pursue external challenges in select areas, are self-directed learners, and may enhance their OYIS Pathway with targeted IBDP courses to align with their goals and interests.	Students who excel in OYIS Pathway courses, with options for those not requiring IBDP for non-university post-secondary education. They value a balanced, less academically-oriented pathway that aligns with their future goals.
Key Aspects	Students must take 6 courses (3 HL, 3 SL) over 2 years. They aim for a minimum of 24 points, with specific point targets in HL and SL subjects. Completion of CAS, Theory of Knowledge, and the Extended Essay is mandatory.	At OYIS, students must take a minimum of five courses per semester. They have the flexibility to choose any number of IBDP courses at SL or HL level. IBDP courses span two years. OYIS Pathway students can opt for either 2-year or 1-year courses, with the latter option involving joining the Grade 11 class for the second year.	At OYIS, students take a minimum of 5 courses per semester. Internal Assessment in IB coursework is substituted with project-based assessments in OYIS courses. OYIS Pathway students can choose between 2-year or 1-year courses. If opting for two 1-year courses, they will join the Grade 11 class for the second year.
Assessment	All final assessments are externally marked or moderated by the IBO.  The externally assessed final examinations cover material from Grade 11 and Grade 12.	All final IBDP assessments are externally marked or moderated by the IBO.  The externally assessed final examinations cover material from Grade 11 and Grade 12.  OYIS assessments are internally developed, cover material from one school year, and are assessed by the grade level teachers.	Students undergo OYIS end-of-semester exams, assessed by grade-level teachers. Evaluation encompasses classwork, project-based learning, and exams, with assessments covering one or two school years as needed.
Exams	SL/HL Exams in the Spring of Grade 11 cover Year 1 course content.  Externally assessed SL/HL DP Exams take place in April/May of Year 2.	SL/HL Exams in Spring in Grade 11 cover Year 1 course content.  At the conclusion of Grade 12, externally assessed SL/HL DP exams for IBDP courses and internally assessed OYIS exams take place.	Students will complete OYIS exams only.  Grade 12 students will sit OYIS assessments during the Mock Exam week and final exams in May.
Diploma	The diploma is awarded by the International Baccalaureate.  The High School Diploma is awarded by OYIS.	Individual course certificates are awarded by the International Baccalaureate. There is no pass or fail for IBDP Courses and the Core is not externally assessed so no diploma is awarded.  The High School Diploma is awarded by OYIS.	The High School Diploma is awarded by OYIS.
Transcripts	The IBDP course title designation will appear on the transcript.  Students whose predicted grades indicate a full IB Diploma will be awarded will also be awarded the OYIS Diploma.	The IBDP course title designation will appear on the transcript. <b>OR</b> OYIS Grade 11 and 12 course titles will appear on the transcript.  Only courses in which the student earns a mark of 3 or above will count toward students' graduation requirements.	OYIS Grade 11 and 12 course titles will appear on the transcript.  Only courses in which the student earns a mark of 3 or above will count toward students' graduation requirements.

## SAT Participation & Performance

Class of 2023	Total Mean Score	ERW Mean Score	Math Mean Score
October, 2022	600	570	1170
January, 2023	635	610	1245
March, 2023	730	550	1280
May, 2023	700	480	1180
June, 2023	608	627	1235

## Class of 2023 DP Exam Results

	Pass rate (per cent)	Average grade total	Average grade per subject
OYIS	94.7	33.4	5.27
Worldwide	79.2	30.2	4.84

## Universities that have accepted our students

### Japan:

- University of Hyogo
- Osaka University
- Sophia University
- ICU (International Christian University)
- iCLA

### United States:

- Columbia College Chicago
- University of California San Diego
- Arizona State University
- University of California Santa Cruz
- Marquette University
- Texas State University
- Hofstra University
- Western Michigan
- Caldwell University
- Menlo College
- Valley Forge Military Academy

### Canada:

- University of Toronto
- University of British Columbia

- York University
- University of Manitoba

### Australia:

- Monash University
- University of Auckland
- La Trobe University
- Deakin College
- University of Otago

### Netherlands:

- University of Amsterdam
- Erasmus University Rotterdam
- University of Groningen
- Tilburg University

### United Kingdom:

- University of Glasgow
- University of Greenwich

### Turkey:

- Bahçeşehir University
- Istanbul Bilgi University

### France:

- The American University in Paris

### MYP/DP Leadership

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