



American Community School

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School Profile 2010 - 2011

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 CEEB Code: 681005



ABOUT JORDAN

Jordan is located in the Middle East and borders Syria, Saudi Arabia, the Red Sea, Palestine, Israel, and Iraq. As the crossroads of the Middle East, Jordan has served as a strategic nexus connecting Asia, Africa and Europe. Jordan's geography has given it an important role to play as a conduit for trade and communications, connecting east and west, north and south.

MISSION STATEMENT

The American Community School of Amman instills within every student a continuing commitment to integrity, respect, and intellectual growth.

THE SCHOOL

The American Community School (ACS) is an independent, non-profit, co-educational day school offering a college preparatory program leading to an American high school diploma. ACS offers educational programs from pre-kindergarten through grade twelve. Founded in 1955, ACS serves American and expatriate students from the business and diplomatic communities, as well as host country nationals. The school is housed on approximately nine acres of land in West Amman. Facilities include forty-three classrooms, four purpose-built, state of the art science laboratories, three computer laboratories, one library, a sports and fine arts center, one playing field, two tennis courts, and facilities for art and music education. The faculty is composed of 57 members, including 41 Americans, 9 Jordanians, 4 Canadians, 1 Danish, 1 Russian, and 1 Algerian.

ACCREDITATION

ACS is fully accredited K-12 by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools and is a member of the Near East South Asia Council of Overseas Schools.

CALENDAR

ACS operates on a semester basis. First semester extends from August through December. Second semester is from January through June. The high school has an eight-block schedule, all students taking a minimum of seven classes.

ACTIVITIES

Through our membership in the Eastern Mediterranean Activities Conference (EMAC), we offer students opportunities to interact with other American and international schools at the varsity and junior varsity levels in athletics, academics, and fine arts. Additional activities afford students experiences in drama, music, student government, Model United Nations, and a variety of other areas. ACS has active chapters of the National Honor Society and the National Junior Honor Society.

ENROLLMENT

Total enrollment for the 2010 - 2011 school year is approximately 575 students from 45 nations in a PK through 12 program of study. Of our student population, 47% are American, 17% are Jordanian, 8% are Korean, 5% Canadian, 12% are European, and 11% are from 23 additional countries. High school enrollment is 181 students, 36 in the class of 2011.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

All high school courses at the American Community School are at the college preparatory level. Credit is granted for all classes at the end of the semester. Each semester class is equivalent to .5 Carnegie units. A minimum of 28 credits earned in specific subject areas are required for graduation.

English	4	World Language	2
Writing*	4	Phys. Education	2
Social Studies**	3	Fine Arts	1
Mathematics	3	Health	.5
Science	3	Electives	5.5

*While enrolled at ACS

10 hours of annual Community

** U.S. History required

Service are also required

GRADE POINT AVERAGE & CLASS RANK

Cumulative grade point average is calculated at the end of the 6th, 7th and 8th semesters. All courses taken in grades 9 through 12 are included with the exception of courses taken as "Pass". Advanced Placement grades are weighted an additional .5 per semester in the calculation of grade point average. Due to our small size and number of transfer students, the American Community School does not rank students.

GRADING SYSTEM

A+ = 98-100	B+ = 88-89	C+ = 78-79	D+ = 68-69
A = 93-97	B = 83-87	C = 73-77	D = 63-67
A- = 90-92	B- = 80-82	C- = 70-72	D- = 60-62
F = Below 60%; P = Pass; NG = No Grade; I = Incomplete			

Grade Points - 2009

Grade Points A (+/-) = 4.0; B (+/-) = 3.0; C (+/-) = 2.0; D (+/-) = 1.0

Grade Points - 2010

A+ = 4.3; A = 4.0; A- = 3.7; B+ = 3.3; B = 3.0; B- = 2.7; C+ = 2.3; C = 2.0; C- = 1.7; D+ = 1.3; D = 1.0; D- = .7

AP SCORES (2008-2010)

SCORE	5	4	3	2	1
Biology	7	7	11	9	12
Calculus AB	13	9	8	2	3
Calculus BC	2	0	0	0	0
Chemistry (07, 09)	5	1	4	2	1
Comp. Sci A	1	0	0	0	0
Economics-Macro	5	9	11	6	9
Economics-Micro	0	1	0	1	0
Eng. Language	4	18	25	25	5
Eng. Literature	2	5	6	6	0
French Lang.	1	2	2	1	0
German Lang.	2	0	0	0	0
Physics (08,10)	6	3	8	1	1
Psychology	4	9	4	2	2
Spanish Lang.	1	0	2	1	0
Statistics	6	6	1	4	3
Studio Art	1	1	0	4	0
US History	4	9	8	2	2
World History	10	15	15	13	3

ACS has an open enrollment policy for all AP classes.

All students enrolled in an AP class must take the AP exam

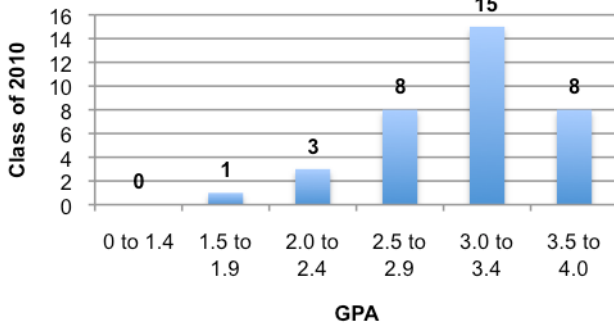


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GPA Distribution of the Class of 2010



SAT MEDIAN SCORES

	No.	Cr. Read	Math	Writing
Class of 2011	29	515	569	540
Class of 2010	12	550	530	540
Class of 2009	16	525	530	535

ACT MEDIAN SCORES

	No.	Eng	Math	Read	Sci	Write	Comp
Class of 2011	16	25	24	24	25	25	25
Class of 2010	12	23	23	25	21	22	23
Class of 2009	21	22	22	22	22	22	23

COURSE OFFERINGS 2010 - 2011

All courses are year long unless indicated by an asterisk ().
 # offered alternate years*

ENGLISH

AP English Literature
 AP English Language
 English 9, 10, 11, 12
 Writing 9, 10, 11, 12
 Speech & Debate*

MATHEMATICS

AP Calculus
 AP Statistics
 Pre-Calculus
 Discrete Math
 Algebra I
 Algebra II
 Geometry

TECHNOLOGY

Technology Assistant
 Web Design*
 Computer Graphics*
 Digital Media*
 Computer Literacy*

WORLD LANG

Arabic MSA 1, 2, 3
 Arabic AFL 1, 2, 3
 Spanish I - IV & AP
 French I - IV & AP

PHYSICAL ED.

Recreation Leadership
 Physical Education
 Health*

SOCIAL STUDIES

AP Economics-Macro
 AP US History
 AP World History
 Economics-Micro*
 International Relations*
 US History
 Modern World History
 Ancient World History

FINE ARTS

AP Studio Art
 Art I
 Art II
 Graphic Design
 3-D Art
 Symphonic Band
 Concert Band
 Concert Choir
 Drama*
 Yearbook

SCIENCE

AP Chemistry#-AP Physics#
 AP Biology
 Physics
 Anatomy & Physiology*
 Diseases*
 Chemistry
 Biology
 Physical Science
 Environmental Science

UNIVERSITY ACCEPTANCES FOR 2009 & 2010*

US Universities

*Academy of Art University
 American University **2**
 *Arizona State University
 Baylor University
 Bennington College
 *Boston University
 *Brigham Young Univ., Hawaii
 Brigham Young Univ., Idaho
 *Brigham Young Univ., Utah
 Carleton College
 *Chandler-Gilbert CC
 Chicago State University
 *Clark University
 Cornell University
 Dartmouth College
 *DePauw University
 Drexel University
 Eckerd College
 *Estrella Mountain CC
 *Florida Gulf Coast University
 *Florida State University
 *Gateway CC
 *George Washington University
 *George Mason University
 *Georgia State University
 *Glendale CC
 Hampshire College
 *Hobart & William Smith
 *Hofstra University
 *Idaho State University
 *Illinois State University
 Iowa State University
 *Lehigh University
 Loyola University
 *Marymount College
 McKendree University
 *Mercer University
 *Mesa CC **4**
 Missouri State University
 *Missouri Univ. of Sci. & Tech
 Northeast Illinois University
 *Northeastern University **4**
 *Old Dominion University
 *Pace University NYC
 *Penn State University **2**
 *Phoenix College
 Purdue University **2**
 Rensselaer Polytechnic Inst.
 Rose Hulman Institute
 *Rutgers University **2**
 School of Visual Arts
 *South Mountain CC
 Southeast Missouri State Univ.
 Southern Illinois Carbondale
 Southern Illinois Edwardsville
 *St. Charles CC
 *St. Mary's College of Maryland
 Suffolk University
 *TCU (Texas Christian Univ.)
 *Texas A & M
 Trinity University (TX)
 *Tufts University
 UC Davis
 *UC San Diego
 *UC Santa Barbara
 *UC Santa Cruz
 *Universal Technical Institute
 University of Arizona

*University of Colorado-Boulder
 University of Delaware
 *University of Georgia
 *Univ. of Illinois, Chicago
 *Univ. of Illinois, Urbana-Cham.
 Univ. of Mass., Amherst **2**
 University of Miami **2**
 *University of Mississippi
 *Univ. of Missouri-St. Louis
 *University of New Hampshire
 *University of Oregon
 University of Rochester
 University of San Francisco
 *University of Tampa
 *University of Texas **2**
 Virginia Commonwealth Univ.
 Washington & Lee University
 *Wheaton College (Mass.) **2**
 Wheelock College
 *William Paterson Univ. of NJ
 Worcester Polytechnic Institute

Canadian Universities

*Carleton University **2**
 *Concordia University **3**
 *Dalhousie University
 *LaSalle College **2**
 McGill University
 Simon Fraser University **2**
 *Trent University
 *Univ. of British Columbia **2**
 University of Manitoba
 University of Ottawa
 University of Toronto **2**
 York University **2**

British Universities

Leeds Metropolitan University
 Liverpool John Moores Univ.
 Loughborough University
 Northumbria University
 *Queen's University Belfast
 *Swansea University
 *University of Glasgow
 *University of Kent, Canterbury

International Universities

*American University in Dubai
 *American University of Beirut **6**
 American Univ. of Cairo
 *American University of Paris
 *American University of
 Science & Techn-Lebanon
 KAIST, Korea
 Royal College of Surgeons in
 Ireland, Bahrain
 Texas A & M Qatar
 University College of Utrecht
 (The Netherlands)

*Numbers in bold indicate
 number of students accepted*