



American Community School

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School Profile

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Year: 2009 - 2010
 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 classrooms, three 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 56 members, including 39 Americans, 10 Jordanians, 3 Canadians, 1 Korean, 1 Russian, 1 German 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 2009-2010 school year is approximately 521 students from 45 nations in a PK through 12 program of study. Of our student population, 46% are American, 21% are Jordanian, 7% are Korean, 13% are European, and 13% are from 23 additional countries. High school enrollment is 158 students, 35 in the class of 2010.

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

** U.S. History 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 for grades of C or higher. 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 A (+/-) = 4.0; B (+/-) = 3.0; C (+/-) = 2.0; D (+/-) = 1.0

AP SCORES (2007-2009)

Score	1	2	3	4	5
Biology	4	7	7	5	7
Calculus AB	2	2	7	6	15
Chemistry (07,09)	5	1	4	2	1
Economics-Macro	6	6	2	11	6
Eng. Language	6	22	30	15	6
Eng. Literature	0	9	11	6	3
French Lang.	0	1	6	2	4
Physics (08)	1	1	8	2	3
Psychology	8	3	7	13	4
Spanish Lang.	0	2	2	0	2
Statistics	4	3	2	6	6
Studio Art	0	1	0	2	3
US History	2	1	8	6	1
World History	3	9	16	13	14

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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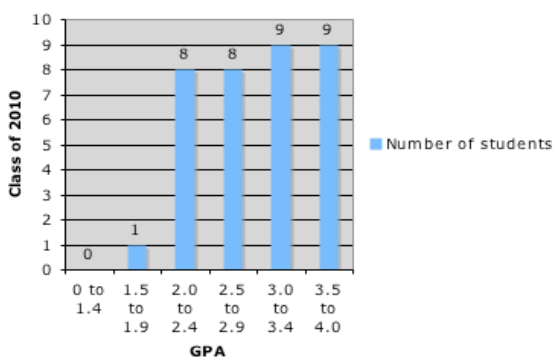
SAT MEDIAN SCORES

	No.	Cr. Read	Math	Writing
Class of 2010	12	550	530	540
Class of 2009	16	525	530	535
Class of 2008	30	505	560	535

ACT MEDIAN SCORES

	No.	Eng	Math	Read	Sci	Write	Comp
Class of 2010	12	23	23	25	21	22	23
Class of 2009	21	22	22	22	22	22	23
Class of 2008	37	23	24	23	23	23	24

GPA Distribution of the Class of 2010



COURSE OFFERINGS 2009 - 2010

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 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 2008 & 2009

US Universities

American University*
 Babson College
 Baylor University*
 Bennington College*
 Bentley College
 Boston University*
 Brigham Young Univ., Idaho*
 Bryant University
 Carleton College*
 Carnegie Mellon University
 Chicago State University*
 Clark University
 Cornell University*
 Dartmouth College*
 Eckerd College*
 Evergreen State University
 Florida Gulf Coast University
 Florida Int'l University
 Florida State University
 George Washington Univ.
 George Mason University
 Georgetown University
 Georgia Tech University
 Hampshire College*
 Illinois Inst. of Technology
 Indiana University
 Iowa State University*
 James Madison University
 Johns Hopkins University
 Long Island Univ., CW Post
 Loyola University*
 McKendree University*
 Michigan State University
 Missouri State University*
 Missouri Univ. of Sci. & Tech*
 North Carolina State Univ.
 Northeast Illinois Univ.*
 Northeastern University*
 Pace University
 Pennsylvania State Univ.*
 Pepperdine University
 Pomona College
 Purdue University*
 Rensselaer Polytechnic Inst.*
 Rochester Inst. of Technology
 Rose Hulman Institute*
 Rutgers University*
 San Diego State University
 School of Visual Arts*
 Schl. of the Art Inst. of Chicago
 Seattle University
 Southeast Missouri State Univ.*
 Southern Illinois Carbondale*
 Southern Illinois Edwardsville*
 Southern Methodist Univ.
 Southern Oregon University
 SUNY Binghamton
 Suffolk University*
 Syracuse University
 TCU (Texas Christian Univ.)*
 Texas A & M*
 The University of North Dakota
 Trinity University (TX)*
 Tufts University
 UC Davis*
 UC Irvine
 UC Los Angeles

UC San Diego

University of Arizona*
 University of Delaware*
 Univ. of Illinois, Chicago*
 Univ. of Illinois, Urbana-Cham.*
 University of Iowa
 Univ. of Mass., Amherst*
 University of Miami*
 Univ. of Missouri-St. Louis*
 Univ. of Nebraska, Lincoln
 UNC - Chapel Hill
 University of Rochester*
 University of San Francisco*
 University of Tampa*
 University of Virginia
 Villanova University
 Virginia Commonwealth Univ.*
 Virginia Tech University
 Washington & Lee Univ.*
 Wellesley College
 Wheaton College (Mass.)*
 Wheelock College*
 Worcester Polytechnic Institute*
Canadian Universities
 Concordia University*
 McGill University*
 Queen's University
 Simon Fraser University*
 Trent University*
 University of Alberta
 Univ. of British Columbia*
 University of Guelph
 University of Manitoba*
 University of Ottawa*
 University of Toronto*
 University of Waterloo
 University of Western Ontario*
 York University*
British Universities
 Bristol University
 Coventry University
 Leeds Metropolitan University*
 Liverpool John Moores Univ.*
 Loughborough University*
 Napier University
 Newcastle University
 Northumbria University*
 Oxford Brookes University
 Queen Margaret University
 Queens College Belfast*
 Richmond University
 Sheffield University
 Stirling University
 Strathclyde University
International Universities
 American Univ., Beirut*
 American Univ. of Cairo*
 American Univ. Dubai*
 Franklin College Switzerland
 Gandhi Medical College, India
 Georgetown Univ. in Qatar
 Glion Inst. of Higher Ed., Switz
 Int'l Business School, Hungary
 KAIST, Korea*
 Lebanese American University
 Royal College of Surgeons in
 Ireland, Bahrain*
 Texas A & M Qatar*
 University College of Utrecht*
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