



# Nagoya International School

## 2019-2020 School Profile

*We empower our students to think creatively and critically, pursue lifelong learning and contribute positively to the global community.*

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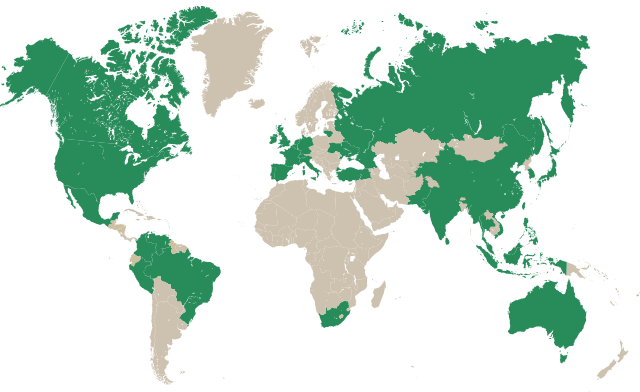
## Our School and Community

Nagoya International School (NIS) is an independent, non-profit, co-educational preschool-Grade 12 day school established in 1964 to serve the needs of the bicultural, international, and internationally minded community of Nagoya, Japan. NIS serves students whose parents work in the international business community, as well as Japanese nationals and other long-term foreign residents of Nagoya. Nagoya – along with the nearby city of Toyota and wider surrounding prefectures of Gifu, Mie and Shizuoka – is considered the center for Japan's automotive and aerospace industries. As a result, a number of students commute for up to four hours a day.

NIS is an inclusive school, and we enroll students with diverse gifts, talents and dreams who both benefit from the programs we offer and have the opportunity to achieve the objectives of our mission. The Grade 12 (Class of 2020) consists of 37 students, representing 10 nationalities. Our total student enrollment is 507 (as of Sept. 16) with approximately half the student population divided between Primary School (PreK-5) and Secondary School (grades 6-12). The Secondary School faculty consists of 56 teachers representing 11 different nationalities. School-wide, the student-teacher ratio is approximately 9:1.

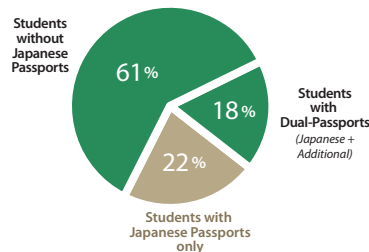
The 180-day school year is divided into two semesters, starting mid-August and finishing in mid-June.

### Student Nationalities (as of Sept. 16, 2019 = 37)

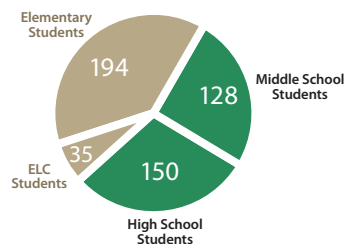


Australia	India	Mexico	Russia	Ukraine
Belgium	Indonesia	Myanmar	South Africa	UK
Brazil	Ireland	Nepal	Spain	US
Canada	Italy	Netherlands	Sri Lanka	Venezuela
China	Japan	Pakistan	Switzerland	Vietnam
Colombia	Korea	Peru	Taiwan	
France	Lithuania	Philippines	Thailand	
Germany	Malaysia	Portugal	Turkey	

### Nationality Breakdown



### Enrollment by Division



### Home Languages

English  
French  
German  
Hindi  
Indonesian  
Italian  
Japanese  
Kannada  
Korean  
Mandarin  
Marathi  
Nepali  
Odia  
Polish  
Portuguese  
Russian  
Shinbara  
Spanish  
Tagalog  
Tamil  
Teluga  
Thai  
Turkish  
Urdu  
Vietnamese  
Xhosa

## Accreditation, Curriculum and Activities

NIS is accredited by the *Council of International Schools* (CIS) and the *Western Association of Schools and Colleges* (WASC) and is an authorized three program *IB World School*. NIS was authorized in 2008 to teach the IB Diploma level. All students in Grades 11 and 12 are encouraged to follow IB Diploma Programme (IBDP) courses and more than 90% take the full IB Diploma. All qualifying students also receive an accredited NIS High School diploma.

NIS offers a wide range of extracurricular activities, including: Choir, Chess Club, Dolphin Wave Newspaper, NIS Homebuilders, Model United Nations, Musicals, Nagoya Honor Society, Red Cross, Robotics Team, Service Dog Club, Student Council and Year-book. Sports include: Badminton, Baseball, Basketball, Cross Country, Soccer, Softball, Tennis and Volleyball.

## IB Diploma Programme (IBDP) and Assessment

The IBDP is structured to provide students with a rigorous and balanced education, to facilitate geographic and cultural mobility, and to promote international understanding and awareness. Courses are examined externally in May of Grade 12, but all have at least a 20% internally assessed component that is externally moderated. Each subject is graded on a 1 (minimum) through 7 (maximum) scale. The following courses are taught at IB *Higher Level* (HL) and at *Standard Level* (SL):

**Languages A** English Literature • English Language & Literature • Japanese Language & Literature

**Languages B** English B • Japanese B • Japanese *ab initio* (SL only) **Individuals & Societies** Economics • History

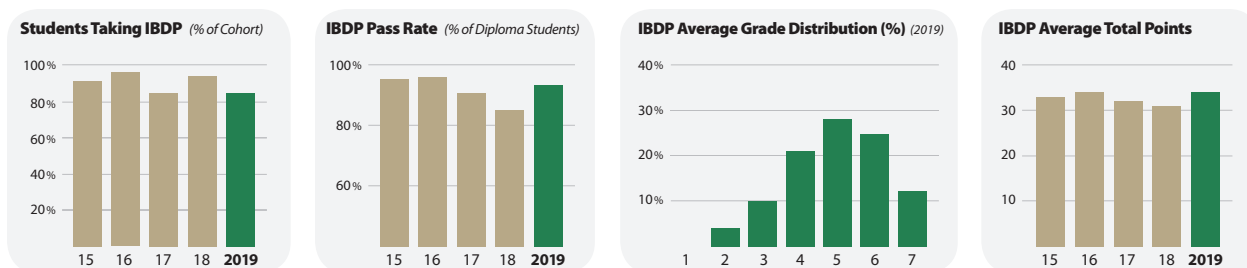
**Experimental Sciences** Biology • Physics • Chemistry • Environmental Systems & Societies (SL only) **Mathematics** Math Studies (SL only) • Mathematics

**The Arts** Visual Arts • Theater

\* Students are able to study additional accredited IB courses through Pomoja Education online

## IBDP Results, Grades, and Class Rank

The maximum IBDP score is 45 points (*six courses=maximum 42 points, plus three extra points for TOK and the Extended Essay*). The IBDP at NIS is non-selective. NIS teachers predict grades within a one point range for a 93% level of accuracy.



NIS reports grades according to the full IB assessment criteria based on the 7-point scale. This scale is applied at a developmentally appropriate level within the context of a two-year course in the case of the DP in Grades 11 & 12. Grades are issued at the end of each semester. Due to our belief in criteria-referenced education in which students are judged against their learning, rather than against each other, NIS does not provide class ranking.

GPA can be calculated for NIS students but as high school courses span the IB MYP and DP programmes this is considered a less than ideal measure of our student's progress. A student's GPA is approximated using the following conversion: **7** (A+/4.3), **6** (A or A-/4.0), **5** (B+, B or B-/3.3), **4** (C+, C, or C-/2.3), **3** (D+/1.3), **2** (D/1.0), **1** (F/0), **0** (I-F/0).

## University Acceptances (Class of 2019)

### USA

California Polytechnic State University  
Central Oregon Community College  
Central Washington University  
Clarkson University  
Pennsylvania State University  
Purdue University  
Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology  
State University of New York (Binghamton)  
State University of New York (Oneonta)  
University of California, Berkeley  
University of California, Irvine  
University of California, San Diego  
University of California, Santa Barbara  
University of Massachusetts  
University of Michigan (2)  
University of Minnesota  
University of Pennsylvania  
University of Pittsburgh  
University of Southern California

University of Washington (2)  
University of Wisconsin  
Washington State University (2)  
Western Washington University  
Worcester Polytechnic Institute

### CANADA

Concordia University  
University of British Columbia  
University of Montreal  
University of Toronto

### UK (Conditional)

King's College (5)  
London School of Economics (2)  
Queen Mary University of London (2)  
Royal Holloway, University of London  
University College London  
University of Bath  
University of Birmingham

University of Cambridge  
University of Dundee  
University of Durham  
University of Edinburgh (3)  
University of Exeter  
University of Leeds  
University of Manchester (2)  
University of Sheffield  
University of Southampton  
University of St. Andrews  
University of Warwick

### OTHER

Monash University (Australia)  
University of Adelaide (Australia)  
University of Queensland (Australia)  
University of Western Australia  
University of Otago (New Zealand)

### JAPAN

Hosei University (2)  
Keio University  
Nagoya University  
Nagoya University of Commerce and Business  
Osaka University  
Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University  
Ritsumeikan University  
Sophia University (2)  
Waseda University (2)