

International Community School Profile 2011—2012

International education producing a global perspective



The International Community School (ICS) is a public school born of community action in which parents and educators came together in 1997 to create and support a small, academically rigorous, secondary program with a strong international focus producing global awareness. Admission is available equally to all Lake Washington students through a blind lottery.

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Six-year Public School

Grades 7—12

Enrollment: 380; Placement by Lottery

Senior Class Size: 65

Curricula

ICS has distinguished itself through an intensive sequential six-year study of academic rigor. Core classes, Art, Humanities, and International Studies, are interwoven throughout the curriculum yearly and developed to offer students integrated, thematic learning communities. Each part of the curricula builds upon mastery of previous teaching and each year students bring a strong foundation with them to their new studies. ICS promotes mastery through an intellectually dynamic learning environment where high achievement flourishes. The climate at ICS is one of high academic and behavior standards for all students. Round table discussions and project-based work cultivate a challenging and mindful education. *ICS maintains three goals: educating students by involving them in rigorous and integrated curricula; challenging students to become active participants in their education; empowering students to push the limits of their education by personalizing the internal structure of the school and the learning process.*

- Electives are available to students beginning in level 5 (11th grade).
- Humanities and International Studies courses are required from level 1 (7th grade) — level 6 (12th grade).
- Students take a minimum of Spanish through level 4 (10th grade).
- Students take a minimum of three years of high school math through Advanced Algebra.
- Students are required to take a minimum of three levels of science through AP/Honors Biology.
- Art is required through level 5 (11th grade).
- Beginning in level 4 (10th grade) all classes are Honors or AP.
- ICS operates on the semester system; all classes meet a minimum of four times per week.

ICS graduation requirements exceed those of Washington State; students must:

- Pass the High School Proficiency Exam (HSPE) or previously required state tests.
- Demonstrate Proficiency in the Advanced Literacy Skill of Communication
- Successfully complete a culminating project
- Earn a passing grade in all required ICS courses or a principal-approved replacement

Advanced Courses	Honors/AP/Level
Environmental Science	AP Level 6
Art History & Communication	Honors Level 4
Art in America	Honors Level 5
Art History	AP Level 5--6
Studio Art	Honors Level 6
Studio Art 2-D & 3-D Port	Honors Level 6
Humanities: British Lit	Honors Level 4
Humanities: American Lit	Honors Level 5
Humanities: The Life Journey	Honors/AP Level 6
Int'l Studies: World/Amer Hist	Honors Level 4
Int'l Studies: Amer History	Honors Level 5
Int'l Studies: Comparative Gov't	Honors/AP Level 6
Calculus AB	AP Level 6
Advanced Algebra	Honors Level 4

Advanced Courses	Honors/AP/Level
Math Analysis	Honors Level 5
Math Statistics	AP Level 5
Spanish	Honors Level 4
Spanish	AP Level 5
Chemistry	Honors Level 4
Chemistry	AP Level 6
Biology	Honors Level 5
Biology	AP Level 5
Bio Technology	College Credit Level 6
Physics	Honors/AP Level 6
Criminal Justice	College Credit Level 6
Business Law	Honors Level 4--6
Psychology	Honors Level 6

A	100—90	4.0-3.7
B+	89—87%	3.6-3.3
B	86—83%	3.2-3.0
B-	82—80%	2.9-2.7
C+	79—77%	2.6-2.3
C	76—73%	2.2-2.0
C-	72—70%	1.9-1.7
NC	69-0%	

ICS does not rank

SAT 2010-2011						
Test Takers	Critical Reading		Math		Writing	
	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD
ICS 51	664	73	660	60	667	74
WA State 38,972	523	107	529	104	508	105
Total 1,647,123	497	114	514	117	489	113

ACT 2011				
Number of test takers	English	Math	Reading	Science
ICS 22	30.1	28.9	30.7	27.7
WA 13,677	22.3	22.3	23.1	22.3

AP Scholars as of May 2011		
AP Scholars	32	(earned grade 3 or higher on 3 or more exams)
AP Scholars with Honors	13	(earned grade 3.25 on all exams taken and a 3 or higher on 4 or more exams)
AP Scholars with Distinction	27	(earned an average of at least 3.5 on all exams taken and grades of 3 or higher on five or more exams)
National Scholars	6	(earned an average grade of 4 or higher on 8 or more exams)
PSAT/NMSQT		
Semifinalists	5	

ICS Students Have Matriculated at These Colleges and Universities

Allegheny College
 American University
 Arizona State University
 Azusa Pacific University
 Bellevue Community College
 Beloit College
 Biola University
 Boston University
 Bowdoin College
 Brooks Institute of Photography
 Brown University
 Bryn Mawr College
 Bucknell University
 California College of the Arts
 California Institute of Technology
 California Polytechnic State University
 California State Univ San Marcos
 Carnegie Mellon University
 Cascadia Community College
 Case Western Reserve
 Central Washington University
 Chicago School of the Art Institute
 Claremont McKenna College
 Columbia University, New York
 Cornish College of the Arts
 Dartmouth College
 Dickinson College
 Dominican University of California

Duke University
 Earlham College
 Evergreen State College
 Florida Institute of Technology
 Franklin College Switzerland
 Georgetown University
 Georgia Institute of Technology
 Gonzaga University
 Harvard University
 Harvey Mudd College
 Haverford College
 Humboldt State University
 Johns Hopkins University
 Lake Washington Technical College
 Lewis and Clark University
 Linfield College
 Loyola Marymount University
 Mary Washington College
 Massachusetts Institute of Technology
 Morningside College
 New Mexico Tech
 New York University
 Northwestern University
 Occidental College
 Pacific Lutheran University
 Pacific University
 Parsons New School of Design
 Pitzer College
 Pomona College
 Princeton University

Purdue University
 Reed College
 Rhodes College
 St. Andrews of Scotland
 St. Lawrence University
 St. Mary's College
 St. Olaf College
 San Francisco State University
 Santa Clara University
 School of Museum of Fine Arts
 Scripps College
 Seattle Pacific University
 Seattle University
 Skidmore College
 Soka University
 South Seattle College
 Stanford University
 Swarthmore College
 Trinity College
 University of Arizona
 University of British Columbia
 Univ. of California, Berkeley
 University of California, Davis
 University of California, L A
 Univ. of California, San Diego
 Univ. of California, Santa Cruz
 University of Chicago
 University of Denver
 University of Montana
 Univ. of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
 University of Notre Dame

University of Oregon
 University of the Pacific
 University of Pennsylvania
 University of Portland
 University of Puget Sound
 University of Redlands
 University of San Francisco
 Univ. of Southern California
 University of Virginia
 University of Washington
 Vanderbilt University
 Vassar College
 Washington State University
 Washington University, St. Louis
 Wellesley College
 Wesleyan College
 Western Washington University
 Westminster College
 West Point Academy
 Wheaton College
 Whitman College
 Whitworth University
 Whittier College
 Willamette University