

HighSchoolProfile



American School
of The Hague

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American School of The Hague's mission is to nurture and inspire character, commitment, creativity, and learning.

American School of The Hague is a private, co-educational, college-preparatory, day school founded in 1953, which has committed itself to meeting the educational needs of the American community in The Netherlands and of other international families who wish to follow the school's American curriculum. The majority of the student population comes from the international community in The Netherlands. Approximately twenty-nine percent of the students are United States citizens. Seventy different nationalities are represented in the student body.

American School of The Hague is accredited by the Middle States Association and The European Council of International Schools.

American School of The Hague admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin.

Campus and Community

American School of The Hague is located in Wassenaar, a residential community near The Hague. The 11 acre campus serves a student population of 1100 and offers spacious class-rooms, specialized teaching areas, wireless internet, centrally located libraries plus a separate elementary school library totalling 46,600 volumes, computer and science laboratories, two cafeterias, excellent spaces for the arts, including a 450-seat theatre, music/movement classrooms; studio spaces for art, photography and multi-media; and for athletics: 3 gymnasias, a double Sport Hall and playing fields.

Enrollment

Preschool – 13:	1100	High School:	363
Senior Class:	97	High School Faculty:	63

Administration and Counseling Center Staff

Richard Spradling, Ph.D., Director
Paul Mackaill, M.A., High School Principal
Victor Ferreira, M.A., Advanced Placement/International Baccalaureate Coordinator
Peter E. Loy, M.A., Director of University Guidance
Sara McMickle, M.A., Guidance Counselor
Lina Paumgarten, M.A., Guidance Counselor
Bridget Anderson, B.Sc., Registrar

Instructional Program

The instructional program emphasizes preparation for higher education in the United States and the many countries of the world. A minimum of twenty-four full-year credits are required for graduation:

English (4)	Laboratory Science (3)
Mathematics (3)	the Arts (2)
Foreign Language (2)	Information Technology (1)
Physical Education/Health (2)	Human Understanding (1)
Social Science (3)	Electives (3)

Advanced Placement (AP) courses are offered in English Literature, French, Spanish, German, Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Statistics, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Comparative Government, Human Geography, U.S. History, and Music Theory.

The International Baccalaureate Program (IB) was instituted in 1995 at ASH. Those familiar with the International Baccalaureate program appreciate the rigor involved and the commitment necessary to complete the full diploma. Students who pursue the I.B. Diploma select six subjects of study during their final two years of high school. Each subject concludes with an external examination. I.B. diploma candidates write a 4000-word extended research essay in a subject of their choice, take a Theory of Knowledge course, and provide 150 hours of creativity/action/service to the school and the community. **In the class of 2011, all 35 candidates successfully earned the full IB diploma, averaging 36 points each. Of the 340 IB exams taken by students in the classes of 2011 and 2012 last May, 96% earned scores of 4 or higher.**

The High School provides support for students with learning difficulties through the Learning Skills Center (LSC). Corrective speech/language therapy is also available. The school is an official testing center for the College Entrance Examination Board.

Campus Life

Activities incorporated within the High School curriculum include chorus, yearbook, theater, orchestra, and concert band. Credit toward graduation is earned in the classes devoted to these activities. Other activities are extra-curricular and offer no credit and include the student senate, musical productions, and various clubs. The Hague International Model United Nations (THIMUN), held each January, is the largest model United Nations conference in the world and is a major event for students in the High School since ASH is a sponsoring school. The school participates in athletic competition for both boys and girls with other international schools in Europe as well as with Dutch teams. Sports offered include baseball, basketball, cross-country, soccer, softball, swimming, tennis, track and field, and volleyball.

Evaluation

Students at ASH earn a letter grade by semester. Grade point average (GPA) is computed using a four-point system

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-=0.7	F=0

An extra point is awarded for AP, IB Higher, and Honors coursework; for IB Standard Level courses, an extra point is awarded in the exam year.

ASH offers no class rank for seniors. We know of no ranking system that will account for the high degree of transiency in an international school or that will adequately recognize the wide variety of course loads carried by our international student population. The transcript, coupled with the statistics presented here, offer a good indication of each student's actual achievement and ability. We urge respect for the due consideration that has been given to this policy.

Standardized Test Scores

PSAT/NMSQT (Class of 2012)

(scores include non-native English speakers)

of students = 27

Critical Reading Mean: 55.5

Math Mean: 55.4

Writing Skills Mean: 54.3

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE, May 2011

of students = 101 # of exams taken = 340

% scoring 4, 5, 6 or 7 = 96%

All 35 I.B. Diploma Candidates earned the diploma

averaging 36 points each

average mark per exam: 5.62

SCORE:	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
Number	49	112	117	49	13	0	0
Percentage	14.4%	32.9%	34.4%	14.4%	3.8%	0%	0%

ADVANCED PLACEMENT, May 2010

of students = 87 # of exams taken = 169

% scoring a 3, 4, or 5 = 70% average mark per exam: 3.27

SCORE:	5	4	3	2	1
Number	33	49	36	32	19
Percentage	20%	29%	21%	19%	11%

SAT SCORES: Class of 2012

(Spr. '11 testing)

(scores include non-native English speakers)

	Critical Reading	Math	Writing
700-800	2	3	1
600-690	16	8	15
500-590	12	18	15
400-490	8	8	7
300-390	0	1	0
200-290	0	0	0
mean	577	564	567

POST HIGH SCHOOL 2011 (96 students)

U.S. Four Year Colleges & Universities	41
Dutch Colleges & Universities	22
U.K. Universities	16
Canadian Colleges & Universities	2
Other Countries in Europe (France, Italy)	2
Other Countries (Korea, Egypt, Guyana)	4
Gap Year / Other	6
Post Graduated Year	3

English

English Supported Studies
Writing Workshop
English 9, 10, 11, & 12
A.P. English
I.B. English A1 Language and Lit. & Lit.
Standard & Higher Level

English as a Second Language

I.B. Language A2, Standard & Higher Level Yr. 2

Languages

Dutch I, II, III
Nederlands I, II
I.B. Dutch A1 Lang & Lit and B,
Standard & Higher Levels

French I, II, III
A.P. French Language
I.B. French B,
Standard & Higher Levels

German I, II, III
A.P. German Language
I.B. German B,
Standard & Higher Levels
I.B. German, Ab Initio, Standard Level

Spanish I, II, III
A.P. Spanish
I.B. Spanish, Ab Initio,
Standard Level
I.B. Spanish B,
Standard & Higher Levels

Other Courses

Learning Skills Center

Human Understanding

Peer Support
Public Speaking & Performance
Facing History and Ourselves
Introduction to Psychology

High School Course Offerings

(Note: not all courses are offered every year)

IT Literacy & Development

Technology Today
Animation
Digital Media
Programming
Web Design
I.B. Information Technology in a
Global Society (ITGS) Standard Level
I.B. Computer Science, Standard Level

Social Studies / History

Western Civilization in Transition
Global Studies
Facing History and Ourselves
A.P. Comparative Gov't and Int'l Relations
A.P. Human Geography
United States History
A.P. U.S. History
Economics
I.B. Economics Higher Level
Introduction to Psychology
I.B. Psychology, Standard & Higher Level
I.B. History-20th Century, Standard Level
I.B. European History, Higher Level
I.B. Information Technology in a
Global Society (ITGS) Standard Level

Mathematics

Math for Everyday Life
Basic Algebra
Algebra I
Foundations II
Basic Geometry
Geometry
Honors Geometry
Algebra II/Trigonometry Plus
Honors Algebra II/Trigonometry Plus
Pre-Calculus
Math Analysis Honors
A.P. Calculus (AB)
A.P. Calculus (BC)
A.P. Statistics

Physical Education and Health

Physical/ Health Education 9, 10

Science

Science for Everyday Living
Environmental Systems I (semester)
Chemistry I (semester)
Biology I (semester)
Physics I (semester)
I.B. Environmental Systems, & Society SL
Biology II
Honors Biology
A.P. Biology
I.B. Biology Higher & Standard Levels
Chemistry II
Honors Chemistry
A.P. Chemistry
I.B. Chemistry Higher Level
Physics II
Honors Physics
A.P. Physics B
A.P. Physics C (Mechanics)
I.B. Physics Higher Level

Arts Center

Visual Art & Art History I & II
I.B. Art, Investigation Workbook / Studio
Standard & Higher Levels
Photography I & II
Video Production & Issues
Music & Film Scoring I & II
Music Technology I & II
Stage Production I & II
Public Speaking & Performance
Dramatic Arts I & II
Advanced Theater
I.B. Theater Standard & Higher Levels
Dance-Movement
Band
Chorus
Strings
Performing Arts Ensemble

College/ University Acceptance: Class of 2011

Bold face indicates school of matriculation

First parentheses indicate number of accepted students if more than one

Second parentheses indicate number of matriculants

CANADA

McGill University
University of British Columbia
University of Toronto

EUROPE

Istituto Europeo Di Design, Milan, Italy
Parsons School of Design, Paris, France
Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zurich, Switzerland
Technische Universitat Muenchen, Germany

NETHERLANDS

Erasmus Universiteit Rotterdam (5) (4)
Haagsche Hogeschool
The Hague University (3) (2)
Hogeschool van Amsterdam, University of Applied Sciences
NHTV International Hogeschool Breda
Rijksuniversiteit Leiden
Rotterdam School of Management, Erasmus University
Technische Universiteit Delft (8) (6)
Tilburg University (2)
Universiteit Maastricht
Universiteit Utrecht (2) (1)
University College Maastricht
University College Utrecht

UNITED KINGDOM

American InterContinental University London, (2) (1)
Arts Institute at Bournemouth, Birmingham City University
Brunel University (2) (2)
Bucks New University
City University
Durham University (2) (1)
Goldsmiths College, University of London (2) (1)
Imperial College London
Kingston University (2)
Lancaster University
Leeds Metropolitan University
London Metropolitan University (3)
Loughborough University (3)
Nottingham Trent University
Queen Mary, University of London (2)
Regents Business School London
Royal Holloway, University of London
University of the Arts London
University of Bath (6)
University of Birmingham (2)
University of Brighton (2).
University of Bristol
University of Central Lancashire
University College London
University of the Creative Arts at Rochester
University of Derby
University of East London
University of Edinburgh (3) (1)
University of Essex
University of Exeter (4) (1)
University of Glasgow (2)
University of Greenwich
University of Hull
University of Kent at Canterbury
University of Leeds (4)(2)
University of Leicester (3)
University of Liverpool (3)
University of Manchester (3)
University of Sheffield

University of Southampton (4)
University of Strathclyde
University of Surrey
University of Sussex
University of Ulster
University of Warwick (2) (1)
University of York (2) (1)

UNITED STATES

Alfred University, NY
American University, Washington, D.C. (4)
Appalachian State University, NC
Arizona State University (4)
Auburn University, AL (2)(1)
Augustana College, IL
Baylor University, TX (2)
Boston College, MA
Boston University, MA (5) (3)
Bradley University, IL
Brooks Institute of Photography, CA
Brown University, RI
Carthage College, WI
Case Western Reserve University, OH
Clark University, MA
Clemson University, SC (2)
Coastal Carolina University
College of Charleston, SC (3) (2)
College of William and Mary, VA
DePaul University, IL
Dickinson College, PA (2) (1)
Drexel University, PA (3)
EA Ski and Snowboard Instructor Course, CO
East Carolina University
Elon University, NC
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, FL
Emerson College, MA
Emmanuel College, MA
Florida Atlantic University
Florida Gulf Coast University (2)
Florida International University
Fordham University, NY
Franklin & Marshall College, PA
Furman University, SC
Georgia Institute of Technology
Grand Valley State University, MI
Hampshire College, MA
Harvey Mudd College, CA
High Point University, NC
Hope College, MI (2)(2)
Indiana University at Bloomington
Ithaca College, NY (2)
James Madison University, VA
Lafayette College, PA
Lake Forest College, IL
Manhattanville College, NY
Marymount College, CA
McDaniel College, MD
Menlo College, CA
Michigan State University
Montana State University
Northeastern University, MA (5)
Northwestern University, IL
Norwich University, VT
Oklahoma State University
Pennsylvania State University, University Park (3)
Pepperdine University, CA
Pitzer College, CA
Purdue University, IN

Roger Williams University, RI
Rollins College, FL (2)
Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology, IN (2)
St. Edwards University, TX
St. Mary's College of California
Santa Clara University, CA
Savannah College of Art and Design, GA
Southern Methodist University, TX
Spring Arbor University, MI
State University of New York, Albany
State University of New York, Binghamton
State University of New York, Purchase
Stephen F. Austin State University, TX
Suffolk University, MA
Syracuse University, NY
Texas A & M University (2) (2)
Texas Tech University (2)
Tufts University, MA
Tulane University, LA
Trinity College, CT (2)
Trinity University, TX (4) (1)
Union College, NY
University of Advancing Technology, AZ
University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa
University of Arizona (2) (1)
University of California, Davis
University of California, San Diego
University of California, Santa Barbara (2) (1)
University of Chicago, IL
University of Colorado, Boulder (2) (2)
University of Delaware
University of Evansville, IN
University of Georgia
University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign (2)
University of Kansas
University of Massachusetts, Amherst (2)
University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth (2)
University of Miami, FL
University of Mississippi (2)
University of New Hampshire
University of North Carolina, Wilmington
University of North Texas
University of Northern Colorado
University of Oklahoma
University of Redlands, CA
University of Rhode Island
University of Rochester, NY
University of San Diego, CA (2) (1)
University of South Carolina (2) (1)
University of South Florida
University of Tampa, FL
University of Texas, Austin (2)
University of Tulsa, OK
University of Virginia (2) (1)
University of West Florida
University of Wyoming
Wesleyan University, CT
Western New England College, MA
Whittier College, CA
Xavier University, OH
York College, the City University of New York

OTHER

Korea Advanced Institute of Science & Technology
The American University in Cairo, Egypt