



Hong Kong International School (HKIS) is a leading nonprofit international school established in 1966. HKIS offers an Americanstyle education serving students from Reception One (prekindergarten aged four years) to Grade 12. Located across two campuses in the southside of Hong Kong, the school ethos is grounded in the Christian faith and respecting the spiritual lives of all.

HKIS Mission

Dedicating our minds to inquiry, our hearts to compassion, and our lives to service and global understanding

An American-style education grounded in the Christian faith and respecting the spiritual lives of all

HKIS Vision

HKIS will be a leading place of learning that inspires a socially engaged community of collaborative, creative and resilient learners dedicated to realizing their full potential

Students

- HKIS serves over 3,000 students representing 48 nationalities.
- Nearly **100%** of a typical class pursues tertiary study, over **80%** of them at colleges and universities in the United States.

Faculty

- HKIS employs 270+ faculty. 60+ teacher assistants. around 200 support staff, and 25 administrators.
- 74% of HKIS faculty hold advanced degrees with an average tenure of 6 years.
- 18 counselors and 13 Learning Specialists schoolwide.

Alumni

- There are over 7,770 HKIS graduates since the first graduating class in 1968
- 22% of graduates in the last 10 years have attended HKIS since Reception 1.
- 162 alumni are parents at HKIS in the 2024-25 school year

Student Learning Academic Character Excellence Development Results (SLRs)

Learning



Society



Chinese Culture

Spirituality

About HKIS

A student's journey in Primary School begins with play and inquiry, fostering a love of learning. In Middle School, a strong social-emotional learning curriculum develops self-awareness and empathy. High School provides a rigorous and versatile academic program, including access to 25 Advanced Placement (AP) courses. Together with student leadership opportunities, HKIS graduates will develop the skills they need to form genuine relationships in our diverse society and make contributions to our community.

Founding History

HKIS was founded in 1966 by members of the American business community in partnership with the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod (LCMS).

Accreditation

HKIS is a member of the East Asia Regional Council of Schools (EARCOS) and is fully accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC).



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INQUIRY, COMPASSION, SERVICE



HKIS Curriculum

Play-Based

The Lower Primary uses a play-based, Reggio Emilia-inspired approach.



U.S. Standards Frameworks

HKIS adopts a standards framework from the United States for Reception 2-Grade 12.



Advanced Placement

25 Advancement Placement (college level) courses are offered in High School.



Co-Curricular

Students can join 100+ clubs with leadership opportunities and 30+ service-related clubs.



Faith Exploration

Students will explore their spiritual journey through a Christian faith foundation and respecting other beliefs.



Dual Language Immersion

In 2025, HKIS will pilot Chinese and English immersion alongside the Chinese Studies program.

AMERICAN-STYLE EDUCATION

Activities & Athletics

- 200+ student athletes per season in 100+ sports teams across Middle School, High School, and Sports Academies
- **1,500+** students involved in **30+** musical concerts and stage productions
- **30+** categories of after-school activities offered on both campuses for Reception 1 Grade 12 students

Campus Development

In 2017-2018, the Repulse Bay campus was re-imagined with a fully redeveloped Lower Primary building and a renovated Upper Primary building to offer bespoke early childhood and primary school facilities.

In 2025, HKIS will open the Dragon Center for Activities & Athletics on the Tai Tam campus with full sporting facilities and underground parking.

In 2027, HKIS will open a new 900-seat Performance Hall with an adjacent Music Center.

HKIS Facilities

Two Campuses, Four Divisions

Repulse Bay Campus (Lower and Upper Primary School)

- 70 Homeroom classrooms (10 per grade)
- 14 Chinese Studies classrooms, 4 Art rooms, 4 Music rooms
- 7 counselor offices, 9 Playgrounds, 4 Community Spaces
- 2 Cafeterias, 2 Libraries, 700-seat Chapel
- 2 Gyms, Motor Development Room, Pool with adjustable floor
- Maker Spaces: Kid Kitchen, Hydroponic Farm, the Garage, Media Lab, STEM Lab

Tai Tam Campus (Middle and High School)

- 114 Custom-built classrooms for different subjects
- 2 Cafeterias, 2 Libraries, 4 Student Community Spaces
- 11 Counseling Offices, Peace Garden
- Auditorium, Black Box Theater
- 2 Gyms, Swimming Pool, Weights Room
- Sports Field, access to Tai Tam Bay for water sports

Parent Community

- 2 independently-run parent organizations: PFO and Booster Club
- 6 school-administered parent committees
- 3 board committees
- 1,200+ parents volunteers in classrooms and community events

Philanthropy

Philanthropy from parents, alumni and other donors sustains the HKIS community. Each year, more than half of current families contribute to the Annual Fund along with a majority of faculty and staff, and all Board of Managers. Donors also advance the mission with gifts to Capital Projects and the HKIS Endowment.

HKIS LEADERSHIP

Interim Head of School Dr. Ronald A. Roukema, Ed.D

HKIS is governed by the volunteer Board of Managers of HKIS Association Limited