

XI'AN LIANGJIATAN INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL 2026-2027 SCHOOL PROFILE



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CEEBC Code: 694433 | IB school Code: 004924

SCHOOL COMMUNITY

Xi'an Liangjiatan International School (XLIS), was founded in 2003 as an inclusive non-profit school. It is the first IB World School authorized by the International Baccalaureate Organization in Northwest China and today stands as the largest international school in the region. The school receives significant support from the local government and the education bureau. This includes a new purpose-built campus with a 50m swimming pool, multiple gyms and performing arts facilities. The school is committed to wholistic education, realised in our diverse subject offerings. XLIS provides one-on-one university application guidance and personalized mentorship, from essay crafting to strategic planning, paving the way for top-tier global opportunities.



ENROLLMENTS
(INFOGRAPHIC)

715
STUDENTS

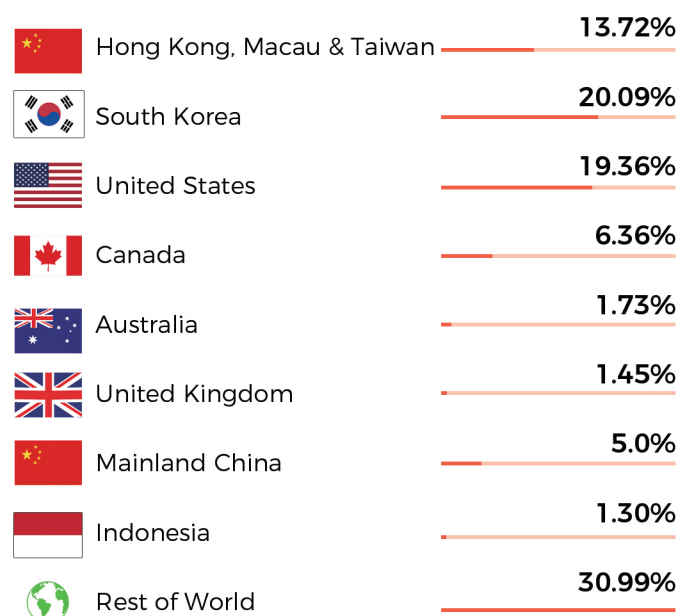
NURSERY TO ECE: 55

PYP: 297

MYP: 299

DP: 64

Students Nationalities: 55



MISSION:

XLIS provides a non-profit education focusing on enabling students to be confident, open-minded global citizens through life-long learning and a sense of community.



VISION:

To lead education through innovation and a student-centered, community-driven approach.

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DISTINCTIVE PROGRAMS:

The Distinctive Program at XLIS inspires holistic growth and global awareness through vibrant extracurricular opportunities. Students thrive in 10 varsity sports, over 49 clubs, and enriching Exchange & Camp Programs, fostering leadership and teamwork. The Dormitory Program, featuring a 10-day challenge where students build community, and learn life skills such as cooking, washing laundry and developing a schedule. Celebrations such as the International Day of Peace provides the international community of Xi'an to come together and celebrate over 50 vibrant cultures and shared experiences. During Week Without Walls, students venture out to different parts of the world, serving different communities, including performing for and interacting with students from special needs schools and cleaning up eco farms, to develop a sense of the importance of service to the wider community.

Graduating Students numbers: 27

Average class size:

Nursery to ECEB:	14
PYP1-DP2:	17

XLIS GPA SCALE

Grade	Description
7	Consistently attained an outstanding level of achievement.
6	Attained an excellent level of achievement.
5	Attained a good level of achievement.
4	Attained a satisfactory level of achievement.
3	Attained the minimum level of achievement.
2	Has not attained the minimum standard of achievement.
1	Has not met the requirement of the course.
Theory of Knowledge (TOK) and Extended Essay (EE): Graded A (highest) to E (lowest) per IB standards.	
XLIS does not rank students.	

Studies in Language and Literature	Chinese A Language and Literature HL/SL English A Language and Literature HL/SL Korean A Language and Literature HL/SL
Language Acquisition	Chinese B and English B HL/SL Mandarin Ab initio SL Spanish Ab initio SL
Individuals and Societies	Business Management HL/SL Economics HL/SL Psychology HL/SL
Sciences	Biology HL/SL Chemistry HL/SL Design Technology HL/SL Environmental Systems and Societies HL/SL Physics HL/SL
Mathematics	Analysis and Approaches HL/SL Applications and Interpretation HL/SL
Arts	Music HL/SL Visual Arts HL/SL

CURRICULUM:

XLIS offers a continuum of International Baccalaureate programs (PYP, MYP, DP) from Early Childhood to the Diploma Programme. The Diploma Programme (DP) curriculum is a rigorous two-year program comprising six subject groups and a mandatory core with three key components: Theory of Knowledge (TOK), Creativity, Activity, Service (CAS), and the Extended Essay (EE). Examples of CAS projects this past year included three academic clubs where students took the initiative to teach Chemistry, Physics and Mathematics to younger students. Students select courses from the following subject groups: Studies in Language and Literature, Language Acquisition, Individuals and Societies, Sciences, Mathematics, and The Arts. **Typically, students study three subjects at Higher Level (HL) and three at Standard Level (SL).** Students may replace a Group 6 (The Arts) subject with a course from any other subject group except Mathematics.

HIGH SCHOOL REQUIREMENTS AND GRADUATION:

All students completing Grade 12 at XLIS are presented to the faculty for the award of the XLIS Diploma. This award is separate from but overlaps with some aspects of the IB Diploma Programme.

Most students finishing Grade 12 at XLIS pursue and obtain the full IB Diploma from the International Baccalaureate Organisation. IB Diploma Programme students follow the complete IB requirements without modification: they select 3 Higher Level and 3 Standard Level courses, complete all coursework, the Extended Essay (EE), Theory of Knowledge (ToK), and Creativity, Activity, Service (CAS), and meet all assessment and examination requirements from the International Baccalaureate Organisation.

Students who do not pursue the full IB Diploma may follow one of the alternative XLIS pathways. They may take a minimum of four IB DP Higher Level or Standard Level subjects and complete all IBO requirements to earn an IB Courses certificate. Or they may complete the XLIS Diploma pathway from Grade 9 to Grade 12. In all cases, students must complete the required coursework and earn a grade of 3 or higher in all subjects (or achieve the required 24/32 credits over M4/M5-DP2) to be awarded the XLIS Diploma. CAS is required across all pathways.

SAT

As most XLIS students apply to universities that do not require SAT scores, only a limited number of students sit for the SAT. XLIS annually serves as an official SAT testing centre.

UNIVERSITY ACCEPTANCES AND MATRICULATION

XLIS students have been admitted to the following institutions over the last five years, with the Class of 2026 attending those shown in **bold**:

Asia

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ateneo de Manila University • Chinese University of Hong Kong • Chung-Ang University • City University of Hong Kong • Dongguk University • Fudan University • Hanyang University • Hong Kong University of Science and Technology • Hong Kong Shue Yan University • Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology • Korea University • Monash University Malaysia • Myongji University • Renmin University of China | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SAE Institute Dubai • Seoul National University • Sogang University • Sophia University • Sungkyunkwan University • The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Shenzhen • The Hong Kong Polytechnic University • The Hang Seng University of Hong Kong • The University of Tokyo • The University of Hong Kong • University of Nottingham Malaysia • Tsinghua University • University of Nottingham Malaysia • Waseda University • Xi'an Jiaotong University • Xi'an Jiaotong-Liverpool University • Yonsei University |
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Europe

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Central Saint Martins College of Art • École Supérieure des Arts et Techniques de la Mode • EHL Hospitality Business School • Glasgow School of Art • Goldsmiths, University of London • Imperial College London • King's College London • Kingston University • Lancaster University • Maastricht University • Masaryk University • Nottingham Trent University • Semmelweis University • The American University of Paris • Universitat Ramon Llull Esade Business School • University College London • University of Amsterdam | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • University of the Arts London • University of Birmingham • University of Bristol • University of Cambridge • University of Edinburgh • University of Glasgow • University of Manchester • University of Pécs • University of St Andrews • University of Sheffield • University of Southampton • University of Twente • University of York • University of Warwick • Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam |
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North America

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Academy of Art University • Adelphi University • Alexander College • Arizona State University • ArtCenter College of Design • Auburn University • California Institute of the Arts • California Polytechnic State University • Carroll College • Columbia University • Concordia University • Cornell University • Creighton University • Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University • Fraser International College • Hofstra University • Illinois Wesleyan University • Indiana University Bloomington • Iowa State University • Juniata College • Kansas State University • Macalester College • Maryland Institute College of Art • Massachusetts College of Art and Design • Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences • McMaster University • Miami University • Michigan State University • New York Film Academy • New York University • Ohio State University • Ohio University • Ontario College of Art and Design University • Pace University • Otis College of Art and Design • Parsons School of Design • Penn State University • Pratt Institute • Purdue University • Queen's University • Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute • Rhode Island School of Design • Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology • Rutgers University | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Santa Clara University • Savannah College of Art and Design • School of the Art Institute of Chicago • School of Visual Arts • Seattle Pacific University • Sheridan College • Simon Fraser University • Springfield College • Stony Brook University • SUNY Brockport • Temple University • University at Buffalo • State University of New York at Morrisville • University of British Columbia • University of California - Berkeley • University of California, Davis • University of California - Irvine • University of California, Los Angeles • University of California - Merced • University of California, Riverside • University of California, San Diego • University of California, Santa Barbara • University of Connecticut • University of Georgia • University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign • University of Kentucky • University of Michigan-Dearborn • University of Notre Dame • The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill • University of Oregon • University of Ottawa • University of Pittsburgh • University of Southern California • University of Toronto • University of Victoria • University of Western Ontario • University of Wisconsin-Madison • Washington State University • York University |
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Australia

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