



Seoul International School
Annual Report
2015-2016



Mission

Seoul International School develops inquisitive, independent thinkers and collaborative learners, who acquire the essential knowledge necessary to be caring and creative contributors to the world around them.

Vision

Seoul International School will foster an earnest passion for learning that inspires students to work with others in creating a better world for all.

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A Tradition of
Excellence
Since 1973

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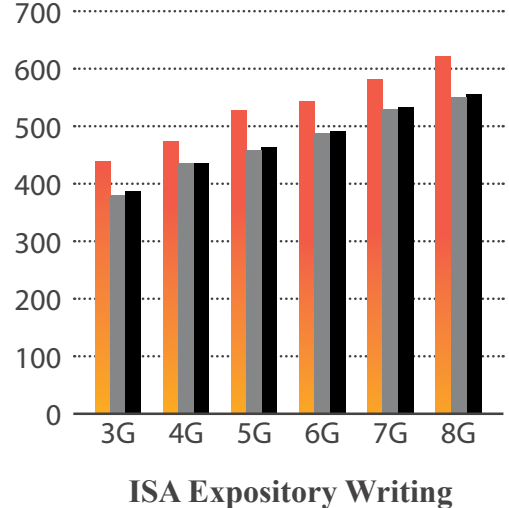
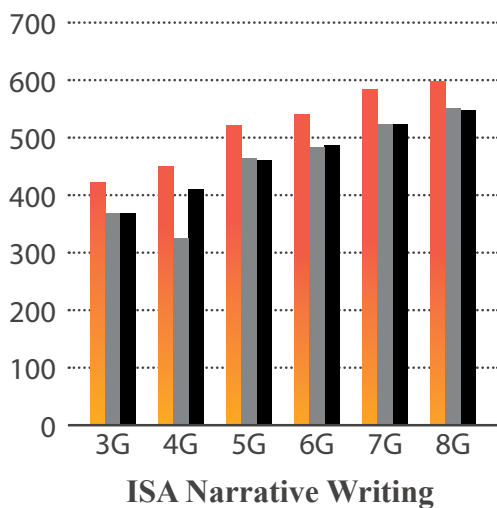
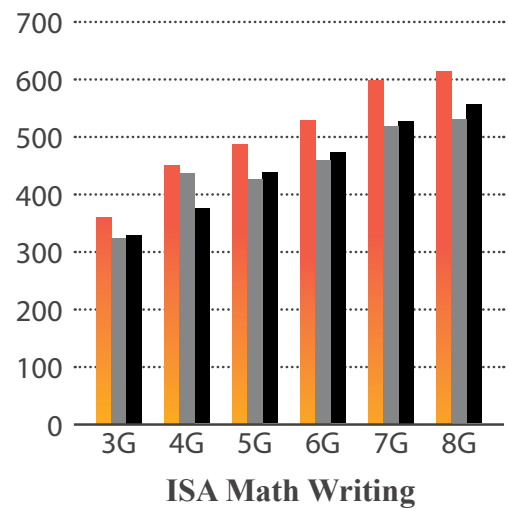
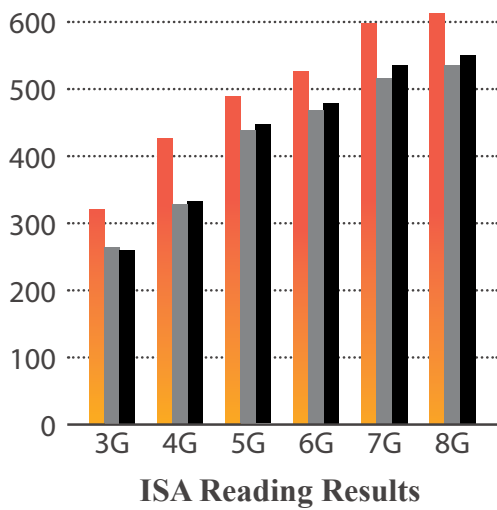
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International Schools' Assessment

The ISA assessment program is designed especially for students in international schools in grades 3 to 10. It is based on the internationally endorsed reading, writing, mathematical literacy, and scientific literacy frameworks of the OECD's Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA). It is used at Seoul International School (SIS) to measure and improve student achievement.



■ SIS Average
 ■ All ISA Schools
 ■ Schools Like SIS

SAT Results

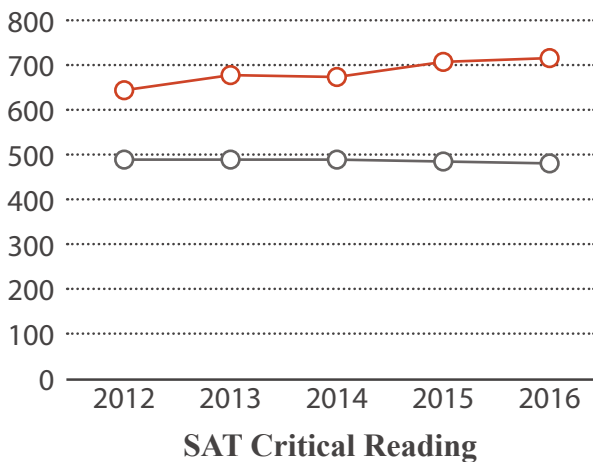
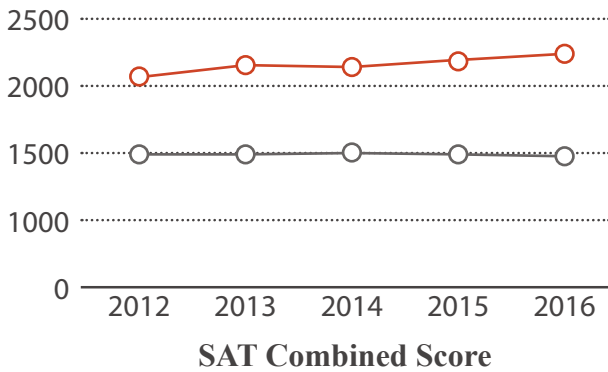


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SIS Average SAT Scores

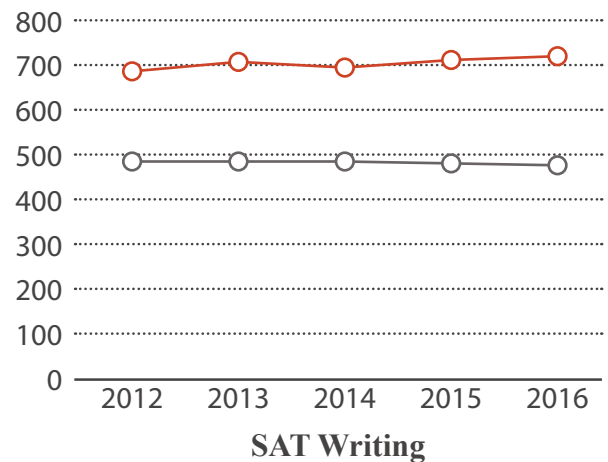
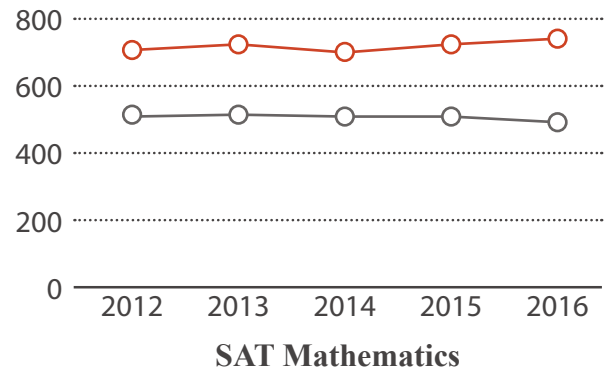
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Math	720	731	719	732	752
Reading	641	684	681	702	716
Writing	689	707	699	708	736
Combined	2050	2122	2099	2142	2202



SIS Average SAT Subject Scores

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Literature	*	676	*	698	720
US History	715	739	717	763	760
World History	697	729	703	690	705
Math 2	766	785	776	780	783
Biology - Eco	726	*	*	*	753
Biology - Mol	752	733	757	768	752
Chemistry	760	757	749	753	755
Physics	764	748	742	772	768
Chinese	*	*	*	735	755

* Not enough test takers to produce an average score.



○ SIS Average ○ Global Average

Advanced Placement

Advanced Placement (AP) is a program used in the United States, Canada, and international schools, created by the College Board, which offers college-level curricula and examinations to high school students. Post-secondary schools typically consider a score of 3 or better a passing grade at the collegiate level.



2016 AP Results	
Number of AP courses offered	22
Number of students taking at least 1 AP course*	297
Number of AP exams written	866
Number of exams with a score of 5	300
Number of exams with a score of 4	242



* Students in grades 10-12 are eligible for AP classes

National Merit Scholarships

Of the more than 1,000,000 eligible juniors who take the PSAT in October each year, 50,000 students worldwide are recognized for their high scores. 16,000 of those 50,000 students are designated National Merit Scholarship Finalists. These finalists complete a lengthy application that they submit with their SAT scores and endorsements from their high school. The National Merit Scholars are selected from this group. Seoul International students compete in the most competitive group - students from American schools abroad. Below is a table showing Seoul International School results for the past five years.



Year	Finalists	Scholars
2012	5	1
2013	1	0
2014	7	1
2015	7	1
2016	3	1



School Events 2015-16



The school year was filled with many special events including the wonderful musical concerts, drama productions and student art exhibits.

- Family Fun Day brings together the SIS community in a fun-filled summer festival.
- The Activities and Athletics Department hosted tournaments in conjunction with our AISA (Association of International Schools in Asia) and KAIAC (Korean-American Interscholastic Activities Conference) leaders. High School students visited the DMZ on a research project that led to a photo exhibit.
- High School and Middle School students worked within the local community to help feed and clothe those in need, ensure the humane treatment of animals and brighten the days of our elderly friends.
- High School students visited and photographed portions of the DMZ and created a research project based on their discoveries about the area.
- Students worked in developing countries through UNICEF and Habitat For Humanity creating better life situations for those they encountered.
- Each year SIS invites a children's author to visit and perform workshops for students. Most recently, we welcomed David Greenberg, author of "Super Silly School Poems" among other literary works.

2016 College & University Placements

Babson College	1	Macalester College	2	U. C. Berkeley	3
Barnard College	1	Massachusetts Institute of Technology	1	U. C. Davis	1
Boston College	1	McGill University (Canada)	1	U. C. L. A.	1
Boston University	2	Michigan State University	1	University of Chicago	2
Brown University	2	National University of Singapore	1	University of Glasgow (UK)	1
California Polytechnic State University / Pomona	1	New York University	17	University of Hong Kong	4
Carnegie Mellon University	3	Northeastern University	2	University of Illinois	2
Columbia University	1	Northwestern University	1	University of the Pacific	1
Cooper Union	1	Pepperdine University	2	University of Pennsylvania	1
Cornell University	9	Pratt Institute	1	University of Southern California	1
Davidson College	1	Princeton University	2	University of Texas, Austin	1
Duke University	3	Queen's University (Canada)	1	Washington University in St. Louis	2
Emory University	1	Rhode Island School of Design	1	Wesleyan University	1
Ewha Womens University	1	Rice University	2	Williams College	1
Georgetown University	1	Stanford University	2	Yonsei University (Underwood Int'l College)	1
Georgia Institute of Technology	1	Swarthmore College	3	University in China	1
Johns Hopkins University	3	Syracuse University	1	University in Korea	1
Keio University (Japan)	1	Tufts University	1	University in Singapore	1



Cumulative College &

American University in Sharjah, U.A.E.	1	College of William and Mary	2	Hong Kong University of Science & Technology	2
Amherst College	6	Columbia University	17	Indiana University Bloomington	11
Art Center College of Design	3	Connecticut College	1	Iowa State University	1
Babson College	9	Cooper Union	1	Johns Hopkins University	13
Barnard College	10	Cornell University	57	Juilliard School	1
Baylor University	1	Dartmouth College	9	Kalamazoo College	1
Bentley University	4	Davidson College	3	Keio University (Japan)	1
Berklee College of Music	2	Drexel University	2	King's College London	1
Biola University	2	Duke University	9	Lehigh University	3
Boston College	7	Elmira College	1	London College of Fashion, UK	1
Boston University	14	Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University	1	Long Beach College	1
Bowdoin College	1	Emerson College	6	Loyola Marymount University	1
Brandeis University	15	Emory University	23	Macalester College	1
Brigham Young University	6	Eugene Lang College of New School	1	Manhattanville College	1
Brown University	14	Ewha Womens University	1	Maryland Institute College of Art	1
Bryn Mawr College	12	Fashion Institute of Technology	2	Marymount College	1
California Institute of the Arts	1	Five Towns College	1	Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)	3
California Lutheran University	1	Franklin W. Olin College of Engineering	1	McGill University, Canada	3
Cal Poly	3	Georgetown University	5	Michigan State University	4
Cal Tech	1	George Washington University	8	Middlebury College	9
California State University at Fullerton	1	Georgia Institute of Technology	5	Mount Holyoke College	3
Carnegie Mellon University	49	Gordon College	1	National University of Singapore	1
Case Western Reserve University	9	Grinnell College	2	New York University	113
Central St. Martins College of Art & Design, UK	4	Hamilton College	2	Northeastern University	4
Chelsea College of Arts & Design, UK	1	Harvard University	2	Northwestern University	27
Chinese University of Hong Kong	1	Harvey Mudd College	1	Oberlin College	1
Claremont McKenna College	4	Haverford College	4	Occidental College	2
Clark University	2	Hofstra University	1	Ohio Northern University	1

University Placements 2004-2016

Ohio State University	2	Stanford University	8	University of Michigan	13
Otis College of Art & Design	2	SUNY Binghamton	1	University of Minnesota	1
Pace University	1	SUNY Fredonia	1	University of Nevada – Las Vegas	2
Parsons The New School for Design	7	SUNY Stony Brook	1	Univ. of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	1
Pennsylvania State University	8	Sungkyunkwan University, Korea	1	University of Notre Dame	8
Pepperdine University	3	Swarthmore College	17	University of the Pacific	8
Pomona College	1	Syracuse University	22	University of Pennsylvania	16
Pratt Institute	7	Trinity College	1	University of Rochester	4
Princeton University	11	Tufts University	11	University of San Francisco	2
Purdue University	22	University of British Columbia, Canada	3	University of the Sciences in Philadelphia	1
Queens University	1	U.C. Berkeley	26	University of Southern California	19
Reed College	1	U.C. Davis	4	University of Texas at Austin	2
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	2	U.C. Irvine	4	University of Toronto, Canada	5
Rhode Island School of Design	22	U.C. L. A.	21	University of Virginia	5
Rice University	8	U.C. San Diego	5	University of Washington	4
Ringling School of Art & Design	1	U.C. Santa Barbara	1	University of Wisconsin – Madison	2
Rutgers, State University of New Jersey	3	U.C. Santa Cruz	2	Vanderbilt University	2
Saint Louis University, Madrid	1	University College London, UK	1	Vassar College	1
Santa Monica College	1	University of Chicago	10	Villanova University	1
School of Museum of Fine Arts	1	University of Denver	1	Waseda University, Japan	2
School of the Art Institute of Chicago	14	University of Glasgow (UK)	1	Washington University in St. Louis	21
School of Visual Arts	8	University of Florida	1	Wellesley College	16
Shanghai Jiao Tong University	1	University of Hong Kong	7	Wesleyan University	8
Simmons College	1	University of Illinois at Chicago	1	Williams College	3
Smith College	19	University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign	30	Yale University	3
Southern California Institute of Architecture	1	University of Massachusetts Amherst	2	Yonsei University, Korea	9
Southern Methodist University	1	University of Miami	1	Universities in China, Korea, & Singapore	3

High School Sports & Activities

Students participate in two leagues that emphasize sports, forensics, music, art, and competitions in math and chess. Our school is a charter member of the Korean-American Interscholastic Activities Conference (KAIAC). The school also founded an international league called the Association of International Schools in Asia (AISA). The school continues to have outstanding performances in both leagues.



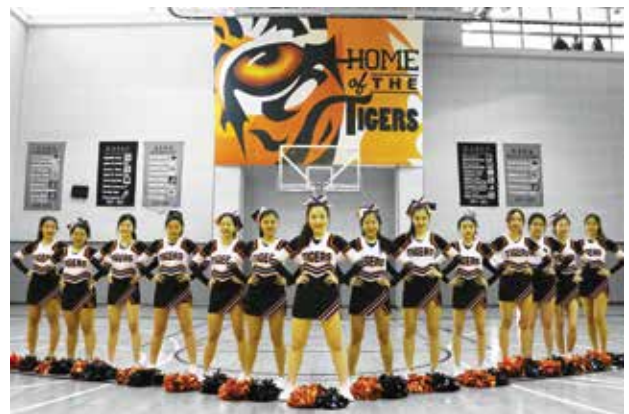
Fall Sports

	KAIAC	AISA
Boys Tennis	Conference Champions and Tournament 2nd	Tournament 2nd
Girls Tennis	Conference 2nd	Tournament Champions
Girls Volleyball	Conference 2nd	Tournament 3rd
Boys Volleyball	Conference 2nd	Tournament 6th



Winter Sports

	KAIAC	AISA
Boys Basketball	Conference and Tournament Champions	Tournament 2nd
Girls Basketball	Conference and Tournament 2nd	Tournament 6th
Cheerleading	Tournament 2nd	-



Spring Sports

	KAIAC	AISA
Boys Swimming	Conference and Tournament Champions	Tournament Champions
Girls Swimming		Tournament Champions
Boys Soccer	Conference Champions	Tournament 4th



Activities



AISA Math Competition in Busan - 2nd Place
NEAMC math competition in Shanghai - Team 3rd place and individual 2nd and 5th place.

Our MUN delegations successfully participated in SEOMUN conference in Seoul, THIMUN conference in Hague and BEIMUN conference in Beijing.

Habitat for Humanity Club traveled to Bali, where they were able to help local community by building homes for families in need



UNICEF Club had their annual trip to Cambodia to visit 2 local schools where they taught English, had fun organizing field day and donated school materials.

Drama students traveled to Jeju, where they participated in ASIS drama festival with other schools from Korea.

Publishing



The SIS yearbook (Tiger's Eye) and newspaper (Tiger Times & Tiger Times Online) have each received recognitions from the Columbia Scholastic Press Association (CSPA) and the National Scholastic Press Association (NSPA).

The Tiger Times, the SIS newspaper, received the highest possible recognition from the National Scholastic Press Association, an "All-American" rating with 5 Marks of Distinction.



Tiger's Eye, the SIS yearbook, was awarded by the National Scholastic Press Association the 'First Class' rating with two distinctions for Coverage and Photography.

Fine and Performing Arts



Performing Arts Presentations may be viewed on the SIS YouTube channel found at <http://www.youtube.com/siskorea>

As a follow-up to “High School Musical” in 2014, the Drama Department produced “The Sound of Music” incorporating students from the high school and middle school.

The Advanced Drama class put on many short plays for the elementary and middle school students.

The Winter and Spring Concerts and Elementary Suzuki Concerts continue to be a source of pride for all here at SIS.

In 2016, the Drama Department produced the comedy, “Get Smart” based on the popular 1960’s television show.

The National Art Honor Society completed it’s first major mural in the cafeteria (B1). The community mural contains scenes related to SIS such as students in school life, school events and animals at SIS.

Service Learning



Trustworthy Students
Independent Learners
Global Citizens
Effective Communicators
Reflective Learners
Socially Responsible Individuals

We promote global and socially responsible citizenship. Students are active in a wide variety of service learning projects. Over the years students and teachers have volunteered their time and resources in many of the following projects.

Anna's House

Anna's House serves over 500 people to dinner every day with twenty volunteers. People can shower, receive haircuts, and clothing. Anna's House also provides counseling and help finding jobs. Anna's house also provides forty street children with food, shelter, clothing, and education. Elementary school students fundraised by selling lavender oil. Parents, teachers, and students have all volunteered their time to feed those in need every Thursday.

Christmas Holiday Orphanage Drive

Teachers and students raise money and volunteer their time and resources to provide gifts to a local orphanage every Christmas.

FREAD

FREAD is an organization started by a former student who believe all children should be FREE to READ. The purpose is to provide every child with books and tools necessary to read them. Parents, students, and teachers donated books to children in other countries that do not have access to these resources.

UNICEF

Students helped raise money to fund building homes, water pumps, and schools in Seim Reap, Cambodia. Students have also collected clothes for those in need.

Habitat for Humanity

High School students and teachers traveled for several weeks in Cambodia. They built homes for those in need.

Middle School Global Issues Network

Started a pilot program of raising a roof top garden.

Korean Animal Service Association

Students fundraised and collected old blankets for animal shelters. The blankets help keep the animals warm during the winter.

Battle of the Books

Students split into teams and read ten books including books nominated for the Morning Calm Medal. Students were quizzed about the books and competed with two other schools.



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