

# THE KAISEI ACADEMY

2024-2025

*The pen is mightier than the sword*



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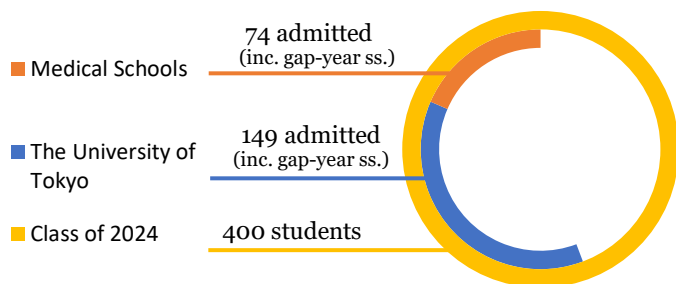
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## Our School and Community

- Founded in 1871.
- Private, all-boys, day school.
- 7-12 grade school (HS: 10-12).
- MEXT accredited, the language of instruction at Kaisei is Japanese.
- Located in Arakawa-ku, one of Tokyo's most densely populated districts.
- Historically ranked as the top school in all of Japan, Kaisei is the alma matter of many illustrious alumni, including the current Prime Minister, Fumio Kishida.

## School Context

- Admission to Kaisei is based on competitive entrance examinations
- Student population: 2100 (JHS: 900, HS: 1200)
- Kaisei has the nation's highest matriculation of students to Japan's top university and medical schools (averaging 35% matriculation rate at the University of Tokyo since 1982)



## Our Curriculum

At Kaisei, students follow the national curriculum and are expected to graduate with anywhere from 96 to 100 credits depending on their chosen track of study (the humanities or the sciences track).

## Graduation Requirements\*

Japanese	16	English	18
Social Studies	10-13	Health and P.E.	10
Civics	2	Fine Arts	2-6
Mathematics	17-18	IT	2
Sciences	12-15	Home Econ.	2
Inquiry-Based Study	2		

\* No. of credits based on weekly class hours over a three-year period.

## National Curriculum

### Japanese Language

Contemp. Japanese Lang.  
Language Culture  
Japanese Lang. (Logic)  
Advanced Classics  
Classics Reading

### English

Communication I, II, III  
Logic & Expression I, II, III

### Social Studies

Geography, Adv. Geography  
Modern and Cont. History  
Advanced Japanese History  
Advanced World History

### Civics

Public, Ethics  
Politics and Economy

### Mathematics

Mathematics I, II, III  
Mathematics A, B, C

### Sciences

Physics (Basic, Advanced)  
Chemistry (Basic, Advanced)  
Biology (Basic, Advanced)  
Earth Science (Basic, Adv.)

### Health and P.E.

Physical Education  
Health

### Fine Arts

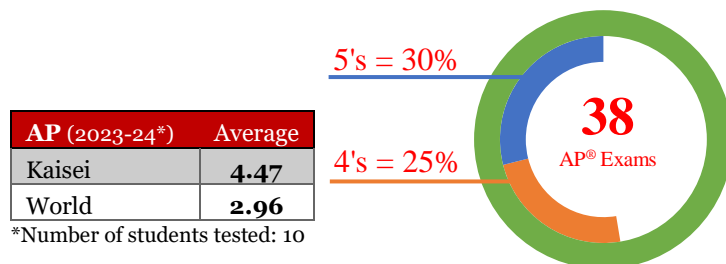
Art and Design I, II, III  
Calligraphy I, II, III  
Crafts Production I, II, III  
Music I, II, III

### Misc.

Home Economics  
Information Study  
Inquiry-Based Study

+ AP® Exams

## Advanced Placement and SAT Results



SAT (2023-24 class*)	Mathematics	ERW
Kaisei	792	684
U.S. National	508	520

\*Number of students tested: 5

## GPA and Class Rank

Kaisei has a 5-point unweighted GPA corresponding to the American letter-grade system. Rank is not computed.

A (5.0) B (4.0) C (3.0) D (2.0) F (1.0)

### GPA Distribution for the Current Class (Quintiles):

Top	4.85-5.00	Fourth	4.00-4.49
Second	4.70-4.84	Fifth	3.00-3.99
Third	4.50-4.69		

## Extracurricular Activities

Many of Kaisei's students are medal winners at both national and international levels in fields as varied as the International Olympiad, Go National Tournament, and the Japan Juggling Championship.

Gold and Silver medals won at International Olympiads, 2017-2024:	<b>International Olympiad</b>	<b>Gold</b>	<b>Silver</b>
	<i>Mathematics</i>	2	1
	<i>Informatics</i>	2	1

Besides taking part in academic competitions, Kaisei students normally commit to active participation in a school competitive club (athletics, martial arts, or academic) or circle (centered around a common hobby) throughout their 3 years of high school. There are currently 70 clubs at Kaisei, each headed by a student captain – a role that functions sometimes as a coach and caretaker in the Japanese school system. Students are also members of multiple committees at Kaisei, overseeing the budget and organization of events such as the Sports Festival, the Culture Festival, excursion and service trips (domestic and abroad), as well as discipline and campus cleaning committees. All these committees are then overseen and managed by the student council.

One of the key events of the school year, and which Kaisei is well-known for, is the Sports Festival which is wholly organized and run by students. The highlight of the event is the *Botaoshi*, a game combining elements of rugby, sumo and martial arts (see NY Times, "[The Organized Chaos of Botaoshi, Japan's Wildest Game](#)" Aug. 22, 2018).

## Domestic Matriculations 2024

(listing reflects schools where 3 or more have been matriculated, gap-year students included)

The University of Tokyo – 149 Waseda University – 52 Keio University – 34 Kyoto University – 19 Tohoku University – 12 Chiba University – 10 Tokyo Institute of Technology – 10 Tokyo University of Science – 10 Hitotsubashi University – 7 Nippon Medical School – 3	Hokkaido University – 7 Tokyo Medical and Dental University – 7 University of Tsukuba – 6 Yokohama National University – 6 Yamanashi University – 5 Meiji University – 4 The Jikei University School of Medicine – 4 Yokohama City University – 4 National Defense Medical School – 3 Sophia University – 3
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## Overseas Matriculations 2015-2024

(number in parenthesis indicates more than one matriculation)

<b>&lt;US&gt;</b> Bowdoin College Brown University Carleton College (2) Columbia University (2) Dean College Georgia Tech Grinnell College (3) Harvard University (2) Harvey Mudd Middlebury College Kalamazoo College Pitzer College Pomona College Princeton University (4) Stanford University Swarthmore College The College of Wooster UC, Los Angeles (2)	UC, Berkeley (2) UC, San Diego University of Chicago (2) UPenn (2) William & Mary Williams College (2) Yale University (4)  <b>&lt;Australia&gt;</b> University of Melbourne  <b>&lt;Canada&gt;</b> University of Toronto (2)  <b>&lt;UK&gt;</b> Imperial College London University of Cambridge (2) University of St. Andrews
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Japan-based Foundation Full-Tuition Scholarships awarded to Kaisei students, 2015-2024:

<i>Ezoe</i>	3
<i>Funai</i>	1
<i>Grew Bancroft</i>	4
<i>Masason</i>	3
<i>Sasakawa</i>	2
<i>Toshin Language School</i>	2
<i>Yanai Tadashi</i>	17
<b>Total</b>	<b>32</b>