

Inspiring learners to go
and make a **life-changing**
difference for the
common good.



Chengdu International School is a vibrant international community of students, teachers, and parents in Chengdu, China, providing a transformative, holistic PreK–12 international education program for expatriate children.

As the oldest international school in Chengdu, we have served the international community for over 25 years. We started in 1997 with 18 students and 4 full-time staff. Within three years, we grew to 72 students and expanded our program to PreK to 12 in 2002. We have continued to

grow and adapt as a school and moved to our current campus in the city center in June 2018. We were the first international school in western China to be certified to teach foreign students by the Ministry of Education and we achieved accreditation and international recognition through Cognia.

Our Mission To enable transformation in every learner’s life.

Our Vision World-class servant leaders are raised up in every vocation.

We grow servant leaders of outstanding character, competence, and calling.
Our students become people who:

Learn

Students are purposeful, curious and discerning.

Love

Students are connected, courageous and compassionate.

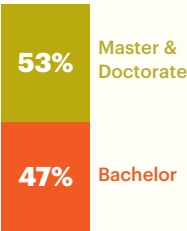
Lead

Students are humble and persistent in service.

Faculty

Nationalities: 7

Degrees



Academic Excellence

Curriculum

Our curriculum and instruction are based on international education standards that push students to learn and grow. The core curriculum includes English, Math, Science, Social Studies, Chinese, Physical Education, Fine Arts, and Philosophy.

AP Courses

We offer 20 AP courses at the high school level, including:

AP Seminar

AP Research

AP Computer Science Principles

AP Statistics

AP Calculus AB/BC

AP Art

AP Physics 1

We also provide pre-AP courses which are designed to help students prepare for success in AP courses.

Transformative Experiences

We believe it is important for students to have experiences that go beyond the typical classroom. Through a mixture of special trips and unique resources, we help students to engage and make personal connections to their learning outcomes. We incorporate Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math (STEAM) into all classrooms, and have a dedicated STEAM lab. We host the Sichuan Science Fair every year which includes international schools throughout China. Beyond that, students will have the opportunity to play in local athletic tournaments as well as LifePlus tournaments throughout China. These experiences help students to be well-rounded and engaged in the school community.



Proven Results

Top 100 university acceptance*

United States

Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)
Stanford University
Harvard University
California Institute of Technology (Caltech)
University of Chicago
Princeton University
Columbia University
Yale University
University of Pennsylvania
University of California, Berkeley
University of Washington
Cornell University
University of California, Los Angeles
University of California, San Diego
University of California, Davis
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
University of Texas at Austin
Vanderbilt University

China

Beijing University
Chinese University of Hong Kong
City University of Hong Kong
Hong Kong Polytechnic University
The Hong Kong University of Science & Technology

South Korea

Korea Advanced Institute of Science & Technology
Seoul National University
Yonsei University

Canada

University of British Columbia
University of Toronto

Singapore

Nanyang Technology University

Australia

University of Melbourne
University of Sydney
University of New South Wales (UNSW Sydney)

2024 SAT



Average	Total	Math	Reading & Writing
CDIS	1,410	732	678
LifePlus China	1,351	709	642
Global	1,050	520	530
Middle 50%	2023	2024	2025
Total	1,305-1,510	1,345-1,492.5	1,335-1,505
Reading & Writing	602.5-712.5	675-740	595-720
Math	732.5-797.5	695-750	710-790

AP Scores



	2023	2024	2025
Total AP students	28	44	48
Number of exams	68	138	133
% students scores 3+	87%	86%	82.71%
% students scores 4+	68%	66%	66.92%

3 Year Summary

Over 65% of the AP exams taken by students scored a 4 or 5

1400+ average SAT score

Dual Enrollment

Chengdu International School offers Dual Enrollment college-level courses through Grand Canyon University, a Higher Learning Commission approved institution. Dual Enrollment courses enable eligible students to simultaneously earn university and high school credit. Courses are completed within a seven to fifteen-week time frame and add additional academic rigor to a student's profile.

*Ranking data by The Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2023

Hear From Our Alumni



Jaeho Lee, Class of 2020
Currently a student at Yale University

As a graduate of the Class of 2020, Chengdu International School provided an unparalleled educational experience, in terms of academics, extracurriculars, and personal growth. I had the opportunity to take 10 AP courses out of the wide variety offered by CDIS. As a recipient of the AP Capstone Diploma, the program developed my skills in research, analytics, and writing evidence-based arguments. I am continually applying the lessons learned from the program to all my courses.

Apart from academics, I was involved in Student Government, National English Honors Society, Service Club, Honors Band, and sports. Through such activities, I learned lessons that I would not have experienced in classroom settings. I believe this differentiated me from other applicants and helped me to achieve my university goals.

But what really separates CDIS from other schools is its mission to develop student growth. CDIS places its emphasis on developing a student's character, and the faculty executes this goal exceptionally. This allows students to fully thrive in a healthy and encouraging environment. I will always be thankful to CDIS and how the faculty motivated me to grow as a person.

My name is Leah Shin and I came to Chengdu International School as a first grade student many years ago. I was born in South Korea, but I spent most of my academic years in Chengdu, China. As a Third Culture Kid (TCK) and an international student in CDIS, I was able to learn different languages and cultures. Furthermore, I learned how to appreciate and understand different values. Some of my favorite memories from CDIS are the experiences I had through different activities such as sports, spring trips and art festivals.



Leah Shin, Class of 2019
Currently a staff member of Qingdao International School (a sister school of CDIS in the LifePlus family)

After completing my university education in the United States, I came back to China to teach. I felt that LifePlus was a suitable place for me because I knew the language and the cultures. I have been in the student's shoes, and I now serve as a teacher in the International School of Qingdao which is a sister school to CDIS and part of LifePlus. I hope my story can be an encouragement to the TCKs and the international students in LifePlus. Everyone is unique but equally valuable. I believe that everyone has the ability to love, learn, and lead.

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