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The SMIC PRIVATE SCHOOL

2015-2016 High School Profile

Chinese Track & Going Abroad Program

MISSION STATEMENT

The heart and soul of the school is a combined partnership with families and community to provide positive, student-centered education that balances academic excellence with physical, social and emotional well-being using both an American-style curriculum and Chinese cultural traditions.

HISTORY

The SMIC Private School was established in 2001 by Semiconductor Manufacturing International Corporation (www.smics.com) to accommodate educational needs of the children of its local and foreign employees. Currently, approximately 18% of enrolled Middle/High School students are children of SMIC employees. The school graduated its first senior class in June of 2006.

THE SCHOOL

The school is recognized and accredited by China's Ministry of Education. It is a member of the College Board and a SAT and ACT testing center. Students enroll in one of two academic tracks. The Chinese Track administers China's national curriculum, and is open to both foreign (non-Chinese) as well as local students. In addition, the Chinese Track offers The Going Abroad Program which combines Chinese and American-based curriculum with a goal to study abroad for college. The English Track follows an American-based Grade K-12 curriculum. It primarily enrolls foreign passport holders who have demonstrated proficiency to study all core subjects in English as well as pass a math admission test.

The school combines the rigor of Chinese discipline and the resourcefulness of American creativity to provide students with a school that offers them the best of the East and West.

RECOGNITION

SMIC Private School is a well-known school in Shanghai area. The school received the "Exemplary Private Elementary and Middle/High School Award" from China's Ministry of Education in 2009, "National Avant-garde Pioneer in Innovative Education" from China Association for Non-government Education in 2011 and "Exemplary School Award" from China's Private School Association in 2014. Our graduates have been accepted into top universities in China as well as reputable oversea universities which are ranked in top 150.

SUPPORT SERVICES

Personal counseling support with the school's Counseling Office (in combined partnership with students, families, and faculty) is provided based on student need. Our counseling department is highly skilled in assisting students with college placement and has been a vital part of seeing hundreds of students fulfill their dream of attending college abroad.

Full-time Middle/High School Chinese Track

Teaching Faculty 37
 Student: teacher ratio 6.4: 1
 Median class size 12

Highest Degrees of Teaching Faculty

Master's 6
 Bachelor's 31

STUDENT PROFILES

2015-2016 Middle/High School Chinese Track

Enrollments

Grades 6-9 175
 Grades 10-12 60

Countries and Regions Represented By Students*

China	62.1%	Korea	3.8%
Taiwan/Hong Kong	23.4%	Other	4.5%
US	6.4%		

*Grade 6-12 students

CURRICULUM

Going Abroad Program is specially designed for students who are interested in attending universities abroad. Therefore, our curriculum is established to meet both the special needs of those students and in line with entrance requirements of overseas universities and colleges. Details are as follows:

1. Courses include core subjects, electives, club activities and community service. Our school offers many different co-curricular activities.
2. A step-by-step combination of Chinese and Western education:
 - a. Grade 10 focuses on English language study, American math lessons and other Chinese core subjects to set a solid foundation for study abroad.
 - b. Grades 11 & 12 focuses on all core subjects, except Chinese will be merged with English Track, and some AP classes are offered.

ADVANCED COURSES

The school currently offers the following accelerated and Advanced Placement courses:

Accelerated Algebra II
 Accelerated Pre-calculus
 AP Calculus AB: Calculus of One Variable I
 AP Calculus BC: Calculus of One Variable II
 AP Statistics: Drawing Conclusions from Data
 AP Computer Science A

G.P.A. AND CLASS RANK

G.P.A. is calculated on a weighted 4.0 scale on courses beginning in the ninth grade. Accelerated courses carry an additional half grade point, and AP courses carry an additional full grade point for calculation purposes. Grades from courses completed at other schools are not counted in the G.P.A. The school does not calculate class rank.

CURRICULUM, CREDITS and GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Graduation requires 24 credits and 100 hours of community service. To meet the requirements, credits earned from previous schools must be evaluated by a department head and approved by the Director of AA Office.

English	4 credits	IT	1 credit
Chinese	4 credits	Electives	1 credits
Science	4 credits	Activities	*1 credit
Math	4 credits	Arts & PE	*1 credits
Social Science	4 credits	*not computed in GPA	

ATHLETICS

Middle/High School Chinese Track provides students many opportunities to participate in athletics, including SISAC (Shanghai International Schools Activities Conference) sports competitions. These include: volleyball, basketball, soccer, track, cross country, table tennis, badminton, and tennis.

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

The School offers a variety of co-curricular activities for students. These include: Photography Club, Drama Club, Community Service Club, Dance Club, Guitar Club, Egret Club, Japanese Culture Club, Baking Club, SMIC Dream Newspaper Club, and Information Technology Club. All clubs are observed and evaluated based on the club activities, attendance, treasurer's logs submission as well as participation in school events.

2015 UNIVERSITY ACCEPTANCES

Arizona State University	1
Drexel University	1
Fordham University	2
Illinois Wesleyan University	1
Miami University Oxford	1
Musicians Institute	1
New York University	2
Purdue University	1
Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey	1
Simon Fraser University	1
The Ohio State University	1
The Sino British College	2
University of California: Davis	1
University of Colorado Boulder	2
University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign	2
University of Iowa	1
University of Pittsburgh	3
University of Rochester	1

SCHOLASTIC APTITUDE TESTS

All students applying to universities worldwide are required to take the SAT no later than the spring of their junior year. Students learning English as a foreign language are expected to take the TOEFL in addition to the SAT.

SAT Results for the Class of 2015		
Subject	Score	Mean Score
Critical Reading	340-670	505
Math	580-800	690
Writing	360-700	530
SAT Score Range	1320-2100	1710