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Welcome to the website of Yokosuka Meiko Senior High School

Profile

Yokosuka Meiko Senior High School is located in Sahara, one of the greenery areas in Yokosuka City. It was founded in April, 2008. It has approximately 460 students and a staff of over 60 people.

We provide the educational environment where students can learn an international view point, welfare in mind and communication skill in the variety of school facilities in the spacious school buildings. We have the International Department and the Welfare Department.

What the School Name, Yokosuka Meiko, Represents

Yokosuka is the name of the city where the school stands. 明(me) means “bright”. 光(ko) means “light”. The school name represents educating bright and shining students in Yokosuka.

Type	Public School (Kanagawa Prefectural)
Founded	2008
Special Course	- The International Department - The Welfare Department
Grades	10th to 12th grades
Students	460

What the School Badge Represents

Two stars mean educating bright and shining students and blue whirlpool shows communication with others.



Education Goal

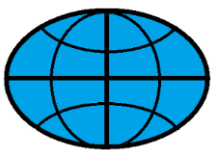
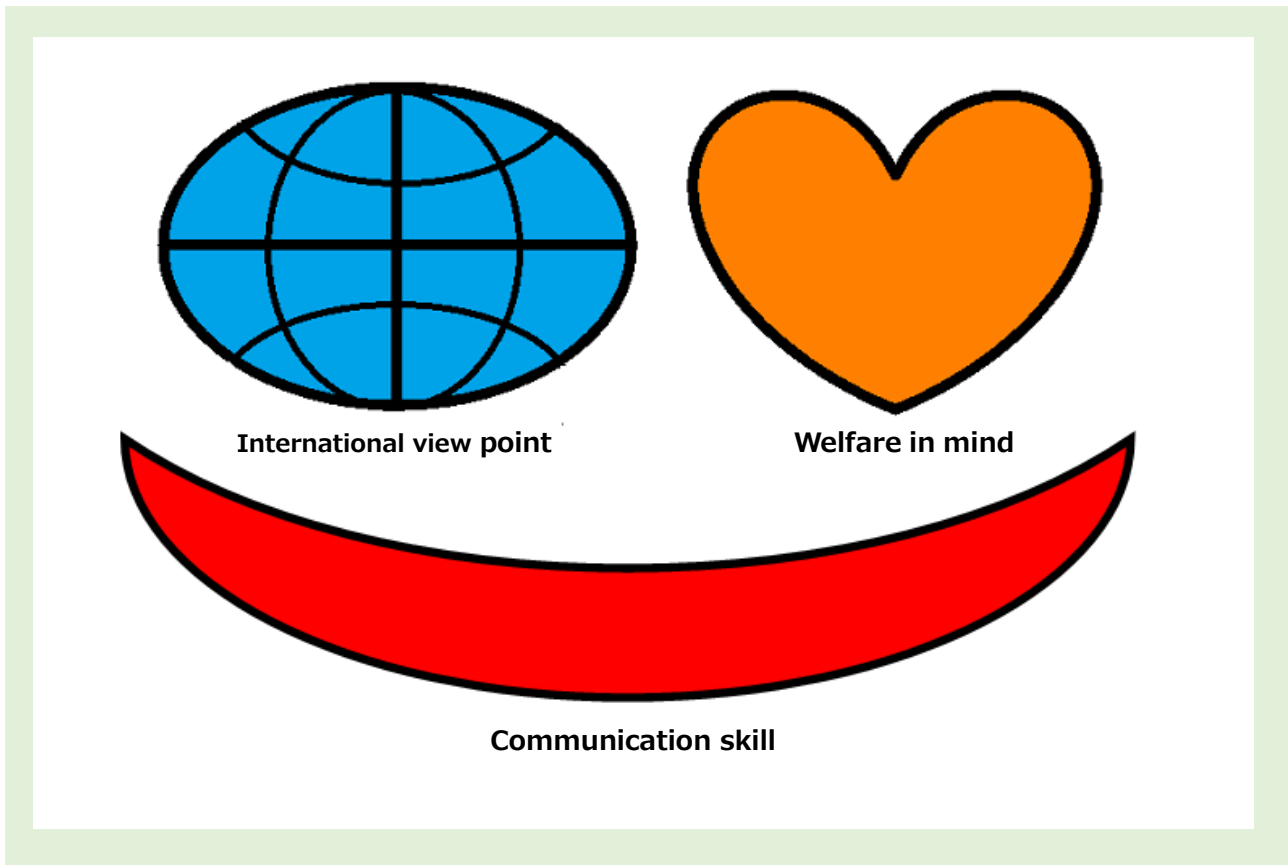
Our continuous goal is to foster the students' abilities such as:

- More specialized ability and applied skills in addition to basic academic ability
- The communication skills with which the students can communicate their thoughts and accept each other's way of thinking
- The mind in which the students feel a part of the society by spontaneously getting themselves involved and contributing themselves to the society.
- The challenging spirit in which the students consider themselves about what they are, decide their own career paths and continue trying in various situations

Education Policy

We encourage our students to learn an international view point, welfare in mind and communication skills.

The figures below illustrate what we encourage the students to learn at our school.



1 International view point

To understand the different way of thinking of people from different countries, and find out what you can do



2 Welfare in Mind

To be always ready to care for others, offer your hands to people in need, and do something together



3 Communication skill

To have important skill to realize the desire to form a good relationship with others

Curriculum

Yokosuka Meiko Senior High School provides specialized education related to International Understanding and Social Welfare. And each department is based on the concept where the students can develop the basic learning abilities in order that they can learn after the graduation and even after becoming adults.

- Many classes are given in small classes so that the students can get pinpoint instructions.
- Through the lessons and practices, the students can develop their abilities and communication skill.
- The students are able to take optional subjects even from the other department depending on their career plans and interests. Those subjects make the students get a wider view and have more options for their careers.

About Features of Each Department

International Department

- The lessons at Computer Aided Language Laboratories
- The environment where the students can communicate closely with native English teachers
- Second foreign language classes- Spanish, Chinese and Korean
- In their 1st year, they spend the whole day speaking in English with the university students from Bunkyo University working on performing small English skits.
- In the 2nd year, they have opportunities where they can attend the lectures given by university professors, and visit some international institutions to broaden their international view.
- The students take TOEIC Test annually so that they can see the improvement on their English communication skills eventually.



<One example of the classes>

Subject: Expressing in English

The students prepare their presentation documents and practice making a presentation. Each of them is given some minutes in the last few classes for giving a presentation. And a few excellent speakers are chosen to have another opportunity to give the presentation at Exhibition of the Learning Outcome Day held in every March.

Welfare Department

- The practical training using functional equipment such as beds, baths, wheelchairs and so on.
- The lessons where the student can think for themselves, find their own way, and then act.
- The practical trainings and voluntary work at nearby nurseries, and elderly nursing and caring homes.

<One example of the class>

Subject: Support for the people who need help

Students learn and practice how to make beds, how to help each other to eat easy-to-swallow food, how to make each other get dressed and take off clothes, how to bathe each other and other practical matters. They learn more when they are on training for four days by experiencing every day jobs at nearby elderly nursing and caring facilities. They even have chances to plan and do fun activities for elderly people there. As a result, they come to learn what caring others means through the whole class.



Sister School Programs

Meiko Senior High School has two sister schools.

One is Taejang High School, Suwon, South Korea. Students are exchanged every other year in turns. The other is Catonsville High School, Maryland, USA, where Meiko students visit every three years. They can learn both cultures and make good relationship by interacting with the students, the staff and their families of each school through the sister school programs.



School Life

Events

April

The first day of school
Entrance Ceremony

May

Field Trips (1st and 2nd year students)

June

TOEIC (3rd year students)

July

Training at elderly nursing facilities (Welfare Dep.)
Visit to an international institute and a university (International Dep.)
Attending lectures given by universities' professors
Summer Programs (Special lectures, Internship, until August)

August

English Seminar (1st year students of International Dep.)

September

School Festival

October

School Trip (2nd year students)

November

Sporting Event, TOEIC (1st and 2nd year students)

March

Visit to Catonsville High School scheduled

Sporting Event

Exhibition of Learning Outcome Day



Facilities

2 Computer Aided Language Labos

2 Computer Rooms

2 Caregiving Practice Rooms

2 Welfare Practice Rooms

Career Guidance Room

Counseling Room

Auditorium

Tatami Room or Japanese traditional Room

Individual Lockers



Club Activities

We have 25 active clubs and most students are the members of one or more than two clubs.

<Culture Clubs>

- Wind Ensemble club
- Contemporary music club
- Literary club
- **Junior Red Cross club**
- Tea Ceremony club
- Computer club
- Drama club
- Calligraphy club
- Art club
- Game of go/Shogi club
- Karuta cards club
- **International club**

<Sports Clubs>

- Track and field club
- Baseball club
- Soccer club
- Tennis club
- Volleyball club
- Judo club
- Basketball club
- Badminton club
- Karate club
- Kendo club
- Table tennis club
- Dance club
- Cheerleading club

Junior Red Cross Club is one of the good examples as to welfare related students activities. The club members always try to learn what Red Cross's activities are, and also try to promote them to the school and to the society. They usually practice the lifesaving method such as cardiopulmonary resuscitation for an emergency, and get involved in community service such as picking up litter in the public area and visit the same facilities for the handicapped.

International Club is leading the school's international activities.

The students enjoy themselves by communicating with an American instructor living in US Fleet Activities Yokosuka. They learn not only English conversation but also western culture through the activities. For example, they visit US Fleet Activities Yokosuka a few times a year. They spend their time attending classes at Kinnick High School in the base and even playing sports with the students from Kinnick High School. They also have a good time at the parties held on Halloween and Christmas in the base.



Volleyball Club

Baseball Club

Soccer Club

Wind Ensemble Club

Tea Ceremony Club

Cheerleading Club

Yokosuka City

Yokosuka is a city of Kanagawa prefecture with a population of a little over 400,000. Located 50km away from Tokyo, Yokosuka City occupies the central part of the Miura Peninsula in south-eastern Kanagawa Prefecture, and faces Tokyo Bay to the east and Sagami Bay to the west. Yokosuka City succeeded as a ship-building village in 19th century. After the Second World War, one of the big industries of Yokosuka is the automobile industry. Automobiles are now produced in Yokosuka for export all over the world. Yokosuka City is very international. One example is YRP (Yokosuka Research Park). YRP has many companies specialized in wireless and mobile communication. YRP is promoting worldwide activities as a research and development base toward the future.