



DINGWEN ACADEMY
HANGZHOU
杭州鼎文学校

Dingwen Academy Hangzhou (DWA) SCHOOL PROFILE 2024-2025

Hurun Education Top 10
International School in China

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School Motto

Rooted in China, Globally Competent,
Universally Compassionate

School Facts

82

School
size (Acres)

6:1

Student to
faculty ratio

100%

Over 8 years
teaching
experience

90%

Master's or
Doctoral
degree

15-24

Class size

10+

Faculty
countries

200+

ECA extension
courses

45

Minutes
period

- Multiple school teams and clubs, including martial arts, football, basketball, tennis, swimming, golf, squash, rugby, equestrianism, kayak ball and fencing.
- Created a diverse, inclusive and sharing community, holding numerous regional and global competitions, such as the National Youth Science and Technology Education Achievement Exhibition, NBSDLC Hangzhou Regional Tournament, IVY Events School Olympics.
- Established a specialized Edu Research Institute with eight centers at DWA, which leads pedagogy and academic research and highlights EIU, PBL, and interdisciplinary study.



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CEEB Code: 254156
CAIE Center Number: CX278
EDEXCEL Center Number: 96988
UCAS Center Number: 43617

Vision, Mission, and Values

As an international bilingual boarding school that embraces Kindergarten through Grade 12 students, DWA is registered with Hangzhou Educational Bureau, College Board, Cambridge Assessment International Education, Edexcel&IB, and is a member of ChinalCAC and International ACAC.

DWA's core values are integrity, passion, empathy, collaboration, courage, innovation, inspiration, critical thinking, responsibility, inquiry and exploration.

At DWA, we are deeply committed to fostering character development and broadening our students' horizons. We aim to develop exceptional bilingual communication skills and bilingual thinking in students to enhance their ability to interact in multicultural environments, help them integrate Chinese heritage and culture with a forward-looking global perspective, and prepare them to thrive in a complex and ever-changing world. Our holistic approaches ensure our students are not only academically strong but also well-rounded individuals, poised to navigate the challenges of the real world confidently.

At DWA, every voice will be heard, every dream will be cherished, and every child will have a platform to shine. We firmly believe that these young talents, brimming with potential, will emerge as the next generation of visionary leaders, driving positive change on a global scale.





Curriculum

Grade 9: Chinese National Curriculum integrated with IGCSE	Grade 10 Curriculum: IGCSE&Pre IB	Grade 11&12 Curriculum: (A-level&AP&IBDP)	
Foundation courses: Chinese English Mathematics Physics Chemistry Biology Core Courses: Visual Arts Performing Arts Physical Education College Counseling IG Options: (select 2-3 courses) Business Studies Economics ICT Design Technology Global Perspectives	Languages: English Literature English as a Second Language English First Language Chinese as a First Language Sciences: Biology Chemistry Physics Environmental Management Mathematics: Pure Maths Further Maths Humanities : Business Studies Economics Media Study Global Perspectives Arts and Electives: Art and Design Design Technology Computer Science ICT Textiles Drama Music	A-level Mathematics Further Mathematics Sciences: Biology Physics Chemistry Computer Science Others: Economics Accounting Business Psychology Mandarin History Drama Music Art & Design AP selective Math&CS: Calculus AB & BC, Statistics Computer Science Application Computer Science Principles Social Sciences: Microeconomics Macroeconomics Psychology, Art History Human Geography World History Languages: English Language & Composition French, Spanish, Japanese Science: Physics 1, Physics 2 Physics C: Mechanics Physics C: Electricity & Magnetism Chemistry, Biology Environmental Science Art: 2D Art, 3D Art AP Seminar&AP Research	IBDP Studies in Language and Literature: Chinese A Language and Literature English A Language and Literature English A: Literature (HL & SL) Language Acquisition: Chinese (HL and SL) and English (HL only) French Ab Initio (SL only) Art: Music Visual Arts Theatre Mathematics(AA&AI) Sciences: Biology Physics Chemistry Computer Science Sports, Exercise and Health Science Environmental Systems and Societies (SL only) Individuals and Society: History Business and Management Economics Geography Psychology Philosophy



Grading Scale

- The academic year is divided into semesters, and students' assessments are given quarterly;
- English is the medium for instruction for all courses except Chinese studies;
- The grading system at DWA is numerical, with 60 out of 100 as a passing grade for A-Level&AP programs and 4 for IBDP;
- We do not rank students and attendance under 85% receives an 'I' for Incomplete on the transcript;
- The grades assessed at DWA accurately measure a student's performance among a pool of very high achievers.



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Extracurricular Life & Co-Curricular Activities

DWA has flourishing Art and Design, Humanities, Science, and Music programs, as well as exceptional opportunities in sports and performing arts and over 200 diverse extracurricular activities that stimulate students' academic and non-academic interests.



Interscholastic Sports

Ultimate Frisbee
Track & Field
Table Tennis
Badminton
Swimming
Football (Soccer)
Basketball
Volleyball
Netball

Music

Chamber Music Ensemble
Jazz Band
Choir
Orchestra
Rock Band
Guitar
Secondary Musical
Chinese Drumming

Intramural & Leisure Sports

Tennis
Golf
Weight training
Judo
Fencing
Yoga
Chess
Croquet
Touch rugby

Other

Environmental science
Safe Spaces
Gardening
Fitness and Nutrition

Academic Clubs

Debate & Speech
Business
Science Investigation
Radio & Publications
Innovative
Engineering
Film Study & Production
Robotics
MUN
Philosophy
Computing Olympiad
Biology Olympiad
Academic Decathlon
World Scholars Cup
China Thinks Big
Artificial Intelligence
BPHO&Physics Bowl
Chemistry Olympiad
Global Heritage
Exploration

Cultural & Arts Activities

Chinese Drama
English Drama
Actors Ensemble
Chinese Ceramics
Calligraphy
Studio Art
Fashion Design
Food Science
Photography
Jewelry Design
Diplomacy



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Athletic Facilities

DWA boasts top-notch sports venues and facilities, offering various sports activities and professional training. The school is near the Qiantang River to the east, the Jiuqiao Golf Course to the north, and the Hutang River to the south. With ample water space, DWA is perfect for aquatic sports such as kayaking. The school also features ten basketball courts, eight tennis courts, four squash courts, fencing halls, golf practice ranges, equestrian stables, a 50-meter, 8-lane international competition standard swimming pool, and 400-meter outdoor playgrounds. Furthermore, the primary and middle schools have spacious indoor sports halls measuring 1,850 and 3,800 square meters, respectively.

2024 Class Schedule

Time(Monday - Friday)	Activity
06:45-07:15	Morning Call & Washing
07:15-07:45	Breakfast
07:45-08:00	Assembly/Class Meeting
08:00-08:45	Lesson 1
08:50-09:35	Lesson 2
09:40-10:25	Lesson 3
10:25-10:40	Recess (Snack Time)
10:40-11:25	Lesson 4
11:30-12:15	Lesson 5
12:15-13:10	Lunch
13:10-13:55	Lesson 6
14:00-14:45	Lesson 7
14:50-15:35	Lesson 8
15:40-16:25	Lesson 9
16:30-17:30	CCA/ECA
17:30-18:30	Dinner Time
18:30-20:30	Prep Time
20:30-21:00	Evening Free Sports
21:00-21:30	Light Out

